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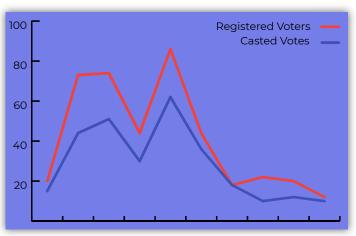
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The MtA Mall (New and used) N95 Masks Minerals building mats Counterfelt passports!

UP CLOSE



WE TALKED WITH THE MAYORAL CANDIDATES

Eight mayoral candidates answered six of our questions. Here's what they said.

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Open Letter:

The current Mayoral election has a recordbreaking field of candidates: twelve, amongst whom are included three former Mayors, several current or former leaders of countries other than Mount Augusta, and a horse. Mount Augusta itself, as of recent times, has been in turmoil, with regards to its position in relation to the other countries of the world, its rule of law, its very fabric of society. Of course, every election has the potential to substantially alter the direction of the ship of state, but there is a real sense that this election will be particularly contested.

To help you, the discerning voter or consummate rubbernecker, understand this election cycle, we asked for your questions, then put them, along with our own, to the candidates for Mayor. Six of them—Ahrimanne, DCHERO, Jovaz, Mokotan, R3YJ04N, TheOrangeWizard and Topher3001—answered. The six who did not, some of whom have evinced intention not to campaign for Mayor despite remaining on the ballot, are Citylion, Gantoe, HanTzu, Midnight_Jack, OLivayK9 and Sandfalls.

Our six questions were all answered by the six candidates who responded. Their responses follow. We hope their words shed light on their platforms and the race, and help you to make your democratic decision.

How would you describe your platform in 20 words or less?



"Restore MTA to her proper roots but implementing drastic reforms to make the system actually work towards its intended purpose"

- Ahr

"I'm going to be neutral in foreign affairs and stay hands off in the city"



R3Y J04N -



"I aim to bring Mount Augusta a long overdue golden age, and make us a more global nation overall. Twenty."

- Mokou

"From my campaign announcement: 'I promise not to login or put any effort into my time as Mayor"





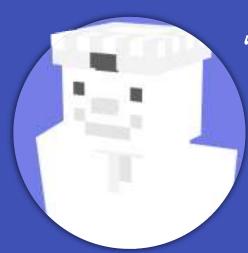
"My platform revolves around improving the city's culture and aesthetics with a lot of effort going towards maintaining MtA's neutrality as well"

- iovaz

"Making things more humorous, informal, less-serious whilst making no-one feel left out"



Topher3001 -



"I aim to tone down mayoral powers that have been established and collaborate with all Augustans on their respective projects"

waffle4breakfast

"Crusty on the outside and soft in the middle"



OrangeWizard -

"The Mayor should be able to modify the law"

Do you agree?

"The mayor should not be able to modify the law unless he has an explicit mandate to do so"

OrangeWizard -





"I do not agree with this statement. The mayor should provide their own interpretation of laws but modifying the constitution to create their own invulnerability is obviously akin to the abilities of a dictator. It should be every Augustan citizen, not just the mayor, that modifies the law. "

- waffle4breakfast

"Mayor should only be able to modify the law through the means that citizens have to go through to modify the law, they shouldn't be granted any special power whatsoever"



Topher3001 -



"I agree with this statement partially (...) If an emergency is approaching, I agree that the mayor should have power to modify the law, but only for the greater good of the Augustan people, not for personal gain"

- jovaz

(...) The Mayoral Powers are extremely powerful and should have only been used in absolute times of crisis. Unfortunately nearly every time they were used it was not in such a case, and it was usually used to the benefit of only a few people. As it stands now the MPA was abject failure to the majority of people in

Mount Augusta and it should either be overhauled completely or removed entirely. I myself plan to not use the Mayoral Powers in any capacity and will let the Augustan people take the lead on this issue and decide what they want done with them. If they decide to bring a bill vote that repeals them, I will vote aye

Mokou-



"No, I don't think the Mayor should have the power to modify the law independently of the typical voting process for bills"

- DCHERC

"The mayor should only modify the law as much as any other citizen. They should still be kept in check."

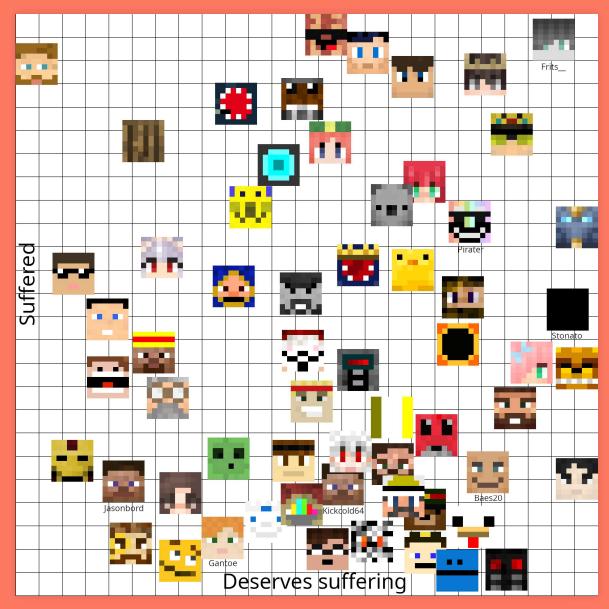
R3Y J04N -



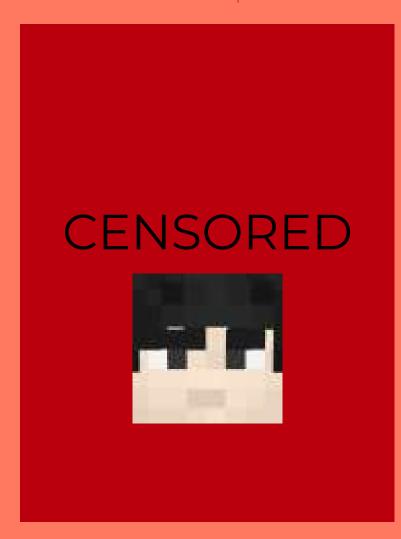
"(...) The Mayor is inherently able to conduct and influence the political discourse in a way that other citizens normally can't. To take the whole process of law-making directly into the hands of the Mayor, with no input from the voters necessary, completely undermines everything that makes MTA unique from other nations, it promotes political apathy, which in turn drives down activity, as our direct democracy and small government has been the main selling point for MTA for many years. If elected Mayor, the only decrees I intend to pass will be those restricting mayoral powers, immediately upon taking office"

ShittyPosts

Your fix of unfunny, unquirky and out of context memes to survive the most cringe election cycle in augustan history



Dr. Squareblob's "Suffering Chart"



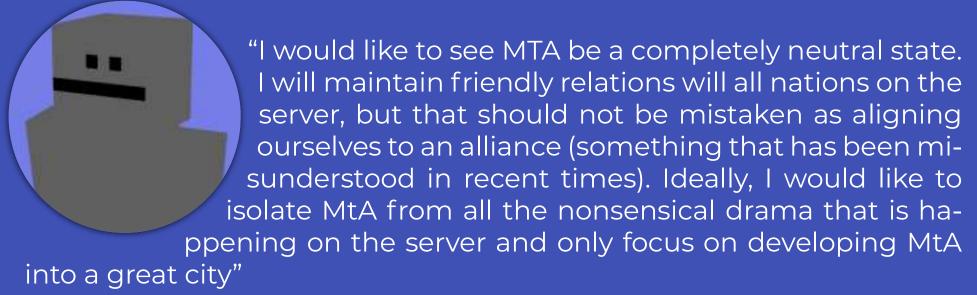


INSERT COVID MEME

How would you deal with foreign policy if elected Mayor?

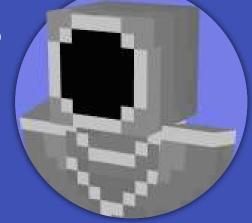
"These are troubling times on CivClassics. While I will continue to work on our international relations with those that border us and beyond, the politics of the server as a whole are lackluster at best. I will do my best to steer the ship towards towards peace regardless of the other nations, but I think we should also make contingency plans"





- jovaz

"Strictly neutral, I want to offer reapprochement to Hjaltland in particular to try to normalise relations, however if a firmer stance is required then it should be enforced within the scope of Augustan law"



OrangeWizard -



"I'd argue with leaders over discord, or mumble, for hours and effectively accomplish nothing, as is tradition"

- DCHERO

"I would refrain from taking sides in foreign issues, but would remain in the FID for the sake of keeping in touch and acting if anything dire should arise"

R3Y_J04N -



"The vast majority of the People of MTA want no part in this war. While I have my own personal opinions and preferences, they are my own, and I would never put my own interests or desires above those of the City. MTA wants to stay neutral, and she wants Peace within her borders. I will guarantee this safe future for our people by sitting down with both sides, on equal terms, and respectfully negotiate a good deal that works and allows MTA to stay out of their conflict, without com-

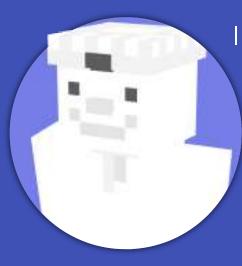
for everyone, and allows MTA to stay out of their conflict, without compromising on our sovereignty or out Rule of Law"

- Ahri

"To stay neutral, since there is no use taking sides or participating in this war that will clearly never end. I'll see to removing or at least pressuring if I can not remove warring entities actively-used bunkers/-vaults in MtA"

Topher3001 -





I would strive to be neutral in politics. This would be accomplished by not relying on some

faction to bail us out in the first sign of trouble. I hope to negotiate with nations and factions

that we become involved with rather than exacerbating the situation with reckless behavior

- waffle4breakfast

Has the government of Mount Augusta acted reasonably in recent times?

"I haven't seen the judges do anything wrong during my time in MTA that I can recall; City's done some questionable things, which is why I think the mayor shouldn't have as much power as it currently does"



R3Y_J04N -

"(...) I'd like to preface this by assuring everyone that they acted with only the best intentions. That said, it is undeniable that the recent months have been tough on our city, in many ways. This is a result of many complex factors, mistakes, accidents, and poor planning. We now have the hindsight of seeing what worked and what didn't, where our predecessors failed and why. My administration will take this knowledge into account to ensure that we do not fall into the same pitfalls, and have a truly successful, effective, and fair government that guarantees Peace and the Rule of Law within our borders, to bring the City back to the glory days of old and even grow beyond them

- Ahri

"It is great how the current government is standing up for Augustan independence, but I do not support doing so illegally, specifically the Hjalt Industries incident"



Topher3001



"I haven't been paying attention to be frank, but any actions taken that damage the survival of Mount Augusta are actions I would consider to be unreasonable"

- DCHERO

"As a whole I'd have to say no. The previous administration did not handle many things as gracefully as they could have, and I feel the Day of Rage was not a good look to say the least. Excluding the Day of Rage though, I'd say the previous administration deserves about a 60%. For the most part they were alright and I want to believe they had the best intentions for the city at heart. I personally think they could have done some things better, but all in all they did increase activity of the city and helped revitalize certain sections, like the waterfront"

Mokou-

"The government of Mount Augusta has had a shaky few months but I do not want to put all the blame on MtA. There have been many issues that have been out of our control. When we have an unwanted military complex in our city and nothing is being done to remove it, I can understand why there would be some "rage" coming from the Augustan people (government officials included). But with the recent formation of the FID (which MtA conceptualized), I believe that MtA will be able to fix its problems in a much more reasonable way compared to before"

- jovaz

"I don't want to be too harsh but I will say the recent government has been unpredictable and disorderly"

OrangeWizard -



"The government has not acted reasonably in recent times. The previous mayor clearly abused their powers by enacting the most bogus decrees known to Augusta. The judges actually have the power to overturn these decrees, rendering them useless, but I not once received similar sentiment towards overturning them, thus allowing them to take effect"

- waffle4breakfast

THANKS

Creating content like this is not easy; it requires time, planning and a lot of work from multiple people including not only the editors but also the candidates who put in the effort of answering our questions, and of course, you: who took the time to read our publication. We hope our goal of providing people from Mount Augusta and the rest of the server with important information regarding the election was fulfilled.

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