

**RESPONSE BY: IAN CLARK, COUNCILLOR CANDIDATE, AURORA**

*I am a quality of life candidate.*

*I am concerned that as the population of Aurora has grown we have not been investing in facilities that support citizens who wish to pursue activities that support physical, mental and social growth opportunities.*

*In many of my responses to citizens it is athletics that are the focus of the conversation however art is defiantly on equal footing with sport when it comes to mental and social growth.*

*I respect the arts and appreciate what the disciplines of music, dance, theatre, and visual arts can provide to a community.*

*Study in the arts is integral to the preservation of cultural heritage.*

*I would support opportunities for local artists to showcase their work. I am not an artist myself but that does not mean I don't appreciate it.*

*I know Aurora has venues to showcase art at our cultural center. There is going to be a theatre built as part of an extension to the cultural center which I am in favor of.*

*If there were opportunities to display the works of local talent I would be interested.*

*My wife and I enroll our children in music, choir, dance and art classes.*