

## Vic Rohe Republican for SD22 – APEC Candidate Questionnaire 04/03/2026

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Candidate Questionnaire 2026

Candidate Name: **Vic Rohe**

Seat Running for: **Florida Senate**

District: **22**

### 1. Campaign Viability

- Why are you running for office? List three of your key issues:  
**1. No New US Constitutional Convention 2. Health Freedom 3. Local Control**
- What is your path to victory and key voter demographics?  
**Republican Primary Voters who want to live in a free & independent nation**
- How much money will you need to raise?  
**About \$300,000**
- Name your 3 top donors:  
So far **1. Candidate 2. Craig Harvey 3. Stephen Guffanti**
- What endorsements do you consider meaningful for your campaign?  
**Grassroots well respected organizations & individuals**
- How will you differentiate yourself from other conservative candidates?  
**Track Record & Issues**
- Are there any issues you consider “Bipartisan?”  
**1. No New US Constitutional Convention 2. Health Freedom 3. Local Control**
- What is your plan for fundraising, digital outreach, and grassroots mobilization?  
**The campaign will use the methods we used in the last 2 Sarasota Memorial Hospital Board races. We use a combination of texts, emails, social media, mailings, volunteers, signs, networking, etc. Fundraising will be done both locally & nationally.**

### 2. Core Ideology & Principles

- Do you believe the 2020 election was stolen? Why?  
**Most highly likely it was stolen. The preponderance of the evidence seems to indicate massive organized fraud. The total number of votes cast is a smoking a smoking gun.**

- What is your interpretation of what happened on Jan 6? Did the J6ers deserve the punishment they got?

**I was at the Trump Speech at the Ellipse on Jan.6. The people I met seemed to be all patriotic Americans, the type of people you would want as your next door neighbor. I did have a feeling at the time that it was like I was in a play that I did not have the script to, suggesting that the events that happened were planned from above. The facts of the trials as reported seem to indicate a departure from standard criminal justice practices and clearly the punishments metered out were excessive and politically motivated.**

- Would you consider yourself America First, MAGA, Establishment Republican? Why?  
**I identify mostly with America First, a Grassroots Republican because I believe in the principles expressed in the US Constitution.**
- How do you define “America-first”? MAGA? Establishment?  
**These terms are a little vague and can mean different things, to different people, at different times. I’m not big on labels.**
- Name the “non-negotiable” conservative principles you could never compromise?  
**Too many to name but include; belief in god, keeping the USA an independent country, protecting the constitution from all enemies foreign and domestic.**
- How do you balance limited government with the need for effective public services?  
**I consider the limiting of government to be more important than the overwhelming majority of “public services”.**
- What is your view on the proper role of the federal government versus states and localities?  
**That is defined in Article 1 Sec 8 of the constitution for the most part. The 14<sup>th</sup> amendment and other sections have been subject to misinterpretation by the courts including SCOTUS.**
- Do you believe the RPOF (Republican Party of Florida) is conducting itself in a way that promotes conservative ideals and supports conservative candidates? Explain.  
**This question seems to vague to give a responsive answer.**
- Do you believe in 1st and 10th Amendment? Please explain your answer  
**Yes. These are very important in limiting tyranny.**

### 3. Due Diligence Questions

- Have you ever been the subject of a criminal investigation or ethics complaint?  
**No**
- Are there past public statements or social-media posts you believe need clarification?  
**None I can recall**
- Do you have any potential conflicts of interest?  
**No**
- Have you ever been arrested? Explain  
**No**
- Have you ever failed to file taxes, debts, or public disclosure forms?  
**No**
- Are there policy positions you held previously that differ from your positions today? What changed?  
**None I can Recall**

4. Constitutional Interpretation

- How do you interpret the Constitution—originalism, textualism, or another approach?

**Basically originalism**

- Should the Constitution be a living breathing document open to interpretation?

**No, that defeats the purpose of having a Constitution.**

- Can you explain the idea of separation of powers? Do you believe we have instances where the separation of powers is violated? If so, please explain.

**The idea of separation of powers as envisioned by the founders is a method of preventing the concentration of power in too few hands. The goal of the Left is to concentrate that power.**

- What limits (if any) should exist on executive power?

**Those embodied in the US Constitution**

- What is your view on the 2nd Amendment and gun-rights policy?

**The 2nd Amendment is an individual right to be used to prevent tyranny, protect the nation and for self protection.**

- Are you for or against Florida's Red Flag Laws? Explain why.

**Florida's Red Flag Laws are unconstitutional.**

- What reforms, if any, do you support in the judicial system?

**Marbury v Madison was wrongly decided. The Federal court system is out of control. The Congress needs to correct this. In Florida, judges need to face election at the end of their terms not just a retention up or down vote.**

5. Fiscal & Economic Policy

- How do you feel about changing zoning bypassing local governments for more development?

**This is a mistake, owing to billionaire & lobbyist influence over Tallahassee.**

- What specific policies would you support to reduce government spending?

**Budget referendums**

- What is your stance on state debt and deficits? What concrete steps would you take?

**The Florida Constitution mandates that the state legislature must pass a balanced budget each year, and this requirement is reinforced by the state's budget institutions and rules. This needs to be supported and enforced. Large loans need to be subject to public referendum.**

- Should entitlement programs (DCF, Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid) be reformed? If so, how?

**This is a discussion that is well beyond the scope of a questionnaire.**

6. Social & Cultural Issues

- What is your position on parental rights in education?  
**I support parental rights in education as the primary responsibility for children rests with parents or guardians.**
- What values should schools be required—or prohibited—from teaching?  
**Schools need to teach, in addition to English, Reading and Math Skills the principles of Americanism to include our true history and the values of the founders. Also, the dangers of totalitarian philosophies such as Communism, Socialism, Nazism, and other Un-American subversive propaganda need to be understood. Also, a basic introduction as to Law is important to creating responsible citizens.**
- How do you view religious liberty protections in the public sphere?  
**The original text of the constitution needs to be understood & enforced.**
- What are your thoughts about Sharia Law? What would you do to prevent/advance it?  
**Sharia Law is clearly unconstitutional and thus illegal.**
- What is your position on abortion at state levels?  
**As the US Constitution does not directly address abortion by name, thus this is a state issue. I oppose abortion except under circumstances that very clearly is required to save the life of the mother. I do not know of any such instance but there are likely some real cases.**
- How should immigration policy reflect conservative principles (border security, legal pathways, enforcement)?  
**Illegal immigration is Illegal. The law needs to be enforced.**
- How do you feel about foreign influence in Florida schools?  
**This question is too vague, it needs a context or clarification.**

7. Energy, Environment & Infrastructure

- How do you feel about energy relying solely on green energy?  
**I would oppose that at our current level of technology. Here are a few considerations:**
  - 1. CO2 is essential for plant growth and the earth is now at a low level compared to the past. The “carbon” schemes of the UN and the Al Gore crowd are just a financial and political power grab.**
  - 2. Industrial pollution is real and does contain other chemicals that can be very harmful.**
  - 3. The atmosphere of the planet mixes on a regular basis.**
  - 4. The development Fusion Power seems to be suppressed or dramatically under funded for political and financial reasons**

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- Should NGO's and non-profits be subject to oversight by the public?  
**This is a very important question but a comprehensive answer is well beyond a questionnaire. Also it's more of a federal issue.**
- How do you feel about foreign interest buying Florida land?  
**This is a major problem**
- How should environmental regulation balance economic growth and conservation?  
**Carefully**
- What infrastructure investments should Florida government prioritize?  
**Without a comprehensive review of all options, I would say infrastructure such as roads, water management, sanitation, etc. as well as how to fund them.**

- What is your stance on climate-related policy and climate agreements?

**It is generally a scam**

- What is your approach to U.S. energy policy (oil, gas, nuclear, renewables)?

**Fusion power may make the most sense in the long run but the lack of funding makes that speculative. Solar power generation is at least 5 times as expensive as other traditional sources.**

**In Florida, I understand the power companies are allowed an 11% profit margin over their cost. So... the more it costs them to make power, the more their profit. Their duty is to the share holders not the people of Florida.**

#### 8. Local Issues (if relevant)

(Customize based on office: city council, state legislature, governor, Congress)

- Does every county have the right to determine its own comprehensive plan? Or should it be left to developers?

**Perhaps the comp plan should need to pass a local referendum. The closer to the people the decision making process is the better.**

- Would you consider repeal of sections of the Live Local Act giving authority to developers? How?

**Yes. This issue requires long detailed discussion.**

- Do you support giving the management of water to the state and not local communities (HB479)?

Will you help to repeal that bill?

**Water management issues need to be handled at the county level, in most cases. HB 479 of 2026 did not become law, thus does not need to be repealed.**

- What local problems are you most qualified to solve?

**Fiscal responsibility, Health Freedom issues, Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice, Aviation Issues, Governmental Administration & Bureaucracy**

- Do you support the idea of 15 Minute/Smart cities? How about Smart Meters?

**“Smart Cities” are a population control mechanism engendered by UN Agenda 21 & 2030, which I strongly oppose. I am the only one I know that does NOT have a “Smart Meter” on their home.**

- What are your thoughts about Chemtrails? Would you take action to stop them?

**This is a somewhat misunderstood Issue. As a licensed Multi-Engine Commercial Pilot, it is observable that while Chemtrails are real, not every contrail is a Chemtrail. That is “con” for condensation. Aircraft need to have special equipment installed in order to spray chemicals and those chemicals are heavy, thereby not suitable for planes carrying passengers.**

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How will you support small businesses and local job creation?

**By eliminating unnecessary regulations and rules to allow business to do what they do best, business.**

- What reforms would you prioritize in policing, public safety, or local governance?

**The basics, protect the public by supporting and enforcing the laws, including citizens rights as provided in the US and Florida constitutions. A reasonable common sense approach is best. Support LOCAL Police & Sheriffs.**

- How do you plan to improve local schools or reduce property taxes?

**This seems to be a complicated question, relating to the interaction of the performance of school students with the provision of property tax money. While a comprehensive answer is beyond what can be addressed in this questionnaire, a few points seem relevant.**

- 1. More money does not necessarily result in better performance.**
- 2. Prioritizing reading, english and math skills, while eliminating leftist propoganda such as CRT, DEI, and intersectionality (by what ever name) would be an essential first step.**
- 3. Ensuring that every child achieves the ability to read well by the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is key to keeping students engaged and to not having students drop out emotionally. A failure option should not be provided.**
- 4. Fewer administrators would result in more money to attract and retain high quality teachers thus would be clearly in the interest of the students.**

9. National Security & Foreign Policy (for candidates running for Fed offices.)

**I am Running for a State Office**

- What should America's role be on the global stage?
- How do you view U.S. support for allies (e.g., NATO, Israel, Taiwan, Ukraine)?
- What is your stance on military spending and modernization?
- How should the U.S. approach threats from China, Russia, Iran, and non-state actors?
- What is your view on trade policy - free trade vs. protective tariffs?
- What is your view on Greenland, Panama Canal?

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