1. What do you believe are the top three priorities for the Village of Arlington Heights over the next four years, and how do you plan to address them?

My top three priorities include 1) providing the best public services through police, fire and public works for the lowest possible cost, so that we do not overburden our taxpayers with excessive levies; 2) ensuring we have a strategic plan for positive future growth in our downtown, as well as the north and south business districts in our community and 3) steering the development of the largest open piece of land in the entire region - Arlington International Racecourse - so that it becomes an Entertainment Destination District. Whatever happens there, and whomever it is or whenever it comes, the redevelopment must be complimentary to our existing commercial business districts. We must ensure it does not overpower everything we as a community have built over the last 50 years. For further answers to questions about my overall priorities, please visit https://tinaglia4mayor.com/q-a/.

2. What are your plans for supporting local businesses and attracting new businesses to the village?

The Village needs to develop a fresh, new educational program and campaign to help our residents understand and be aware of how important it is to shop and spend locally. This includes dining, groceries, services, and even when we purchase fuel for our vehicles, so that our tax base is supported, and funds stay in Arlington Heights to keep taxes flat. If we continue to prove that Arlington Heights is a world class community, this will inherently attract new businesses to increase the vibrancy of our business community and provide an overall economic benefit to both our residents and businesses.

3. How would you manage Arlington Heights' budget to ensure that critical services are funded while avoiding tax increases on residents and local businesses?

I have been an elected Village Trustee for 12 years, and I would continue to manage our budget as we have. We have always prioritized critical services, and for the previous five years, we have had no increases to our tax levy. This year we did have a nominal increase due to cost-of-living increases that we have all unfortunately felt. Everyone at Village Hall, both elected officials and administrative leaders, past and current, understands the extreme importance of this, and I would work tirelessly as our next Mayor so that this remains a top priority. I will always work hard to avoid burdening our residents or businesses with tax increases.

4. How would you involve the Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce in shaping longterm plans for the village, such as redevelopment of the Arlington Park property?

I have been a local business owner for 34 years, and a member of the Chamber of Commerce for almost as long. I will continue to seek advice and feedback from other local businesses regarding all important decisions related to redevelopment, and especially what happens on the Arlington International Racecourse property. My door will always be open and I will meet with any business community member who has thoughts, interests or concerns to ensure that the outcomes are as positive as they can be, whether it relates to this potential new development or others that would have an impact on our community.

5. How do you plan to foster collaboration between the mayor's office and other local leaders, such as those in the Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce?

Through my profession as an architect, I can tell you that collaboration is an essential quality that I utilize in my daily work. My profession has taught me countless valuable lessons and given me many unique business qualities related to working with others toward a common goal. My tool belt is overflowing with collaboration techniques and efforts with dozens of different entities so that I can ensure any project we work on is successful. Regarding the Arlington Heights Chamber of Commerce, as Mayor I would utilize my business experience and leadership skills to continue the collaboration that we have already made a priority, toward the betterment of the future of our business community, and all of Arlington Heights.