

Frequently Asked Questions

Birthplace? – Hospital closest to Wrigley Field.

Life's dream? - Usually the one where I show up for 8th grade in pajamas.

Any regrets? - That Nepalese restaurant wasn't the best idea.

Why did you pick city manager as a job? - Make the world a better place.
Bountiful donuts.

Does this look infected? - More like inflamed.

What are you most proud of? - There's zero utility in pride. Be grateful instead.

Who'd you vote for? - It's rarely who, it's usually what.

What, then? - Whatever most closely approximates the truth.

Have any hobbies? – Woodworking. Mountain climbing. Baseballing.

Baseballing? – The other two ended in “ing”. Hobbies should be verbs.

Boxers or briefs? - Show up at the crash scene and find out.

Save any room for dessert? - That's the reason I'm here.

Captain Kirk or Captain Picard? - Han Solo.

What is the meaning of life? - Not pretending to not know things is a good start.

Any words of wisdom? - Lighten up, Francis.

If a train leaves Spokane traveling east at 68 mph, and a plane takes off from Omaha flying west at 532 mph ... Wait, I was told there would be no math questions.

Shoe size? - Slightly larger than sock size.

How many times have you been hit by a car? – Five.

Five!?! – Yep.

Are you trying to set some sort of record? – Not really (what is the record?).

Most grateful for? – Marcia. Raising two musicians. General spirit of resiliency.

What happened in Davenport? - It got better.

If you weren't a city manager, what would you be? – Park ranger, crop duster.

What's your spirit animal? - Ice cream.

High school you graduated from? - Barely, would be the word.

Little known, not very useful skill? - Juggling.

Little known, not very debilitating physical constraint? - Can't hop on my right foot. Can't bend my left big toe.

Those seem ... specific? – You get whacked by five cars & let me know how it goes.

Any lingering impact? – Moved from centerfield to third base.

Besides having lived at a Fortress of Solitude, anything else in common with Superman? - Nigh-invulnerability, minty-fresh breath, own a pair of red shoes.

Where do you want to be in five years? - Three years older, six years wiser.

Is it true they named a sandwich after you in Davenport? – Yeah, and I'm (discreetly) working on getting a burrito named for me in Seaside. Gotta have goals.