

## **Invest in Neighborhoods**

### **1. PUBLIC SAFETY: How will you address the opiate addiction epidemic?**

Funding the fight against heroin must be the single most important priority. Without the tools, we are virtually helpless. In unanimous support of my motion, city council recently took this critical step when it made the opioid epidemic one of the city's top priorities with its human services funding.

### **2. NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION: How will your administration help community councils hold property owners accountable for blight?**

We should continue to enforce the city ordinances against blight through the new private lot abatement program.

### **3. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & EQUITY: How will you invest in neighborhood business districts in a way that bridges the developing equity gap?**

I will continue to support the programs as long as they are equally available to anyone who desires to apply for their development project, regardless of the neighborhood. The stipulations must be the same: the numbers for return on investment have to work. I would be supportive of additional incentives being added to the offerings if there is a track record in other localities.

### **4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & EQUITY: What will you do to ensure there is adequate supply of affordable housing in Cincinnati?**

In the same way that the city provides incentives such as property tax abatements for new construction and remodeling of market rate housing, it should provide similar and equitable incentives for affordable housing. Additionally, I voted to support the creation of the Neighborhood VTICA Program that will provide funding for affordable housing throughout the city.

### **5. GOVERNANCE, REGULATION & INCLUSION: What will you do to increase and provide stability to Neighborhood Support Program funding stream?**

Community councils consistently give back large ROIs with these types of funds. I will continue to support providing these capital funds to the NSP to benefit our local neighborhoods.

### **6. GOVERNANCE, REGULATION & INCLUSION: How will you help community councils gain more influence in development decisions ?**

We will continue to encourage developers to meet with communities in order to get their support well before they bring their projects to city council.

**7. GOVERNANCE, REGULATION & INCLUSION: What will you do to create a culture at City Hall that promotes civic engagement, and is responsive to neighborhood plans and citizen concerns?**

We consistently attend community council meetings throughout the city and will continue to encourage citizens to get involved with their local community council.

**8. TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE: What is your plan for improving frequency and reliability of our bus system?**

Although this is the responsibility of SORTA, the city currently contributes \$55 million to them to provide public transportation to our 300,000 citizens. SORTA continues to have economic struggles in providing reliable and efficient bus service to the citizens of Greater Cincinnati. I believe improvements can be made in order to have regular and more frequent transportation that riders can rely on to take them where they need to go. As the current chair of the Transportation Committee, I have been participating in the Cincinnati Chamber's transportation roundtables with other leaders in the region to look at the needs of citizens and businesses. I am committed to continuing to be a part of these discussions, planning and implementation.

**9. TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE: What will you do to improve multi-modal infrastructure that includes pedestrian and cyclist safety?**

I supported the purchase and construction of the Wasson Way, Oasis Trail and \$500k for various pedestrian safety initiatives. I will continue to work with individual communities to consider new projects on a case-by-case basis.

**10. TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE: How will you champion environmental sustainability?**

I will continue to support energy initiatives that offer environmentally friendly results while also providing the greatest savings and choice to consumers for the energy needs in residential and commercial markets.