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3<sup>rd</sup> District

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1. **Are you in support of, or in opposition to, continuing funding for the Purchase of Development Rights program? Why do you support or oppose funding for this program?**

- While vehemently supporting the intent of PDR, for many reasons, from the beginning I was opposed to the PDR plan. The reasons included the danger of development around and beyond PDR farms, including development of other counties, the future ineffectiveness of penalties with increasing land values and a general suspicion of any legal agreement that Bill Lear would approve knowing his history of writing state laws and representing local developers. For the same reasons, I must look for better solutions.

2. **Do you support or oppose tax breaks and/or other incentives for infill-redevelopment projects?**

- I sincerely and conscientiously question the tax system and unequal methods of assisting one group and not another. On the other hand, if granting any tax breaks, how about offering some balance so those that can not afford such large investments receive benefits (all projects offer reasonably priced ownership of the infill development, including business locations)?

3. **Do you feel that a higher priority should be placed on addressing and solving the sanitary sewer, storm water and water quality problems in Fayette County before there is any further expansion of development beyond the current urban services area? Why or Why not?**

- Yes. I saw “smoke being blown” around to cover lies and to impress neighbors and neighborhood leaders while I knew too little, too or very late (if at all) was happening to improve the sewers.

4. **Fayette County agri-business and agri-tourism generate over \$3 billion dollars for the regional economy each year. Do you support these industries? If so, how will you promote agribusiness and agri-tourism if elected to office?**

- While not certain of quick solutions, I firmly believe the development of home grown (local harvested canned and dried) with an increase of vegetable and fruit production is a must! I, adamantly, oppose factory farms and support means of reducing sprawl while increasing farmings and more farmers. “Horse plantations,” for the extremely wealthy, should not be our priority though I value the beauty and its contributions to tourism.

5. **Fayette County currently has enough vacant land within the urban services area to support nine years of residential growth. Will you propose to use this available land to provide affordable housing, accessible transportation, and amenities for our growing community? If so, how?**
- Exploitation of our citizens, including temporary- such as students, by control of land and growth-infill and sprawl, must not be for the greed and profiteering by anyone. Gentrification must not be the goal or result, for the benefit of the powerful and elite classes. It is simple wrong.