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6th District

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?**

- I support the PDR program to the extent that we begin addressing the need for infill/redevelopment incentives on the same scale in the near future. I believe we need a program to preserve land and to assist in re-developing exist prosperities. I would also like to look review how we rate the applications for the PDR program so that we are truly saving the land that can be or would likely be developed in the future. I do not believe in spending money preserving land that cannot be developed.

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

- I support tax breaks and/or other incentives for infill-redevelopment and have already begun working on these incentives in the form of UDI's or Urban Development Incentives to present to city council.

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?**

- We absolutely need to address our sanitary sewer, storm water and water quality problems in Fayette County as soon as possible, but to say we should have zero expansion before these problems are completed is a fallacy. It will take at least 10 years to address and solve many of these problems. Funding is the major obstacle in solving a these issues and until council completes its review and recommendations of the current revenues streams, we will never be able to fully fix these problems. 83% of our revenue comes from payroll i.e. jobs with the growth of Lexington providing a tremendous amount of that revenue over the past 10 years. In order to have a better Lexington, we must have a better city budget.

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?**

- Yes, I support these industries. I will work to help sponsor agri-tourism programs through fundraising, application for grants to build trails and historic sites, and

promoting the industry throughout Central Kentucky. I would also like to help develop better tax incentives beyond PDR to help maintain and grow the agri-business opportunities in Fayette County as well as find new opportunities. Those new opportunities include processing demonstrations, historic re-enactments, educational workshops, and possible working with sports enthusiasts to use agriculture land for means of activities.

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?**

- The available land should be first used for its best use and if that includes affordable housing, accessible transportation, and amenities then I would fully support that use. The problem is that we don't know how many owners of that land are willing and wanting to have it developed. Even though the land may be available, does not mean that it will be used in the next 9 years. In that case, we need to explore creative ways to maximize the quality of life and the housing opportunities in Lexington and at the same time, provide incentives for land owners to develop the land. Urban Development Incentives such as tax moratoriums and streamlining lining the government's processes and permits for developing are two areas to start in providing those creative ways for development in Lexington.