



2021 Primary Voters Guide

EARLY VOTING

You can vote in-person starting April 6 at the Board of Elections office in your county. Hours for early voting are:
April 6-24: 8 am-5 pm on each weekday May 1: 8 am-4 pm May 3: 8 am-2 pm
April 26-30: 8 am-7 pm May 2: 1-5 pm

ELECTION DAY

Polls are open 6:30 am to 7:30 pm on Election Day, May 4. Voters choosing to head to the polls on Election Day need to remember to bring the proper form of ID and know their polling place and precinct. Voters can check their polling place and precinct and get other important voting information by visiting MyOhioVote.com.

VOTER ID REQUIREMENTS

All voters must present identification for in-person voting, but photo ID IS NOT required. Any of the following forms of identification may be used:

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| A current and valid Ohio driver's license | An original or copy of a current paycheck or government check |
| A current and valid photo ID card issued by the State of Ohio or the US Government | An original or copy of a current other government document |
| A military ID | An original or copy of a current utility bill |
| An original or copy of a current bank statement | |

VOTING ABSENTEE

To request an absentee ballot, you must submit an application to your County Board of Elections. You can download an application from the Board of Elections website, or from MyVoteOhio.com. You can also call the Board of Elections to request that an application be mailed to you. Complete the application and return it to your local Board of Elections by noon on May 1, and an absentee ballot will be mailed to you. Your absentee voting packet includes: Voter Instructions, a White Identification Envelope, Official Ballot Return Envelope, and an "I Voted Today" sticker.

FILLING IN YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT:

Please read all instructions carefully!

- Check your ballot envelope to determine correct postage.
- Use **BLUE** or **BLACK INK** to **COMPLETELY SHADE IN THE OVALS** next to the candidate/issue for which you wish to vote. **DO NOT** (✓) or (X) the ovals on your ballot-shade in **ONLY**.
- If you choose to vote for a write-in candidate, complete the write-in section by shading in the oval and writing the candidates name on the line.
- **COMPLETELY** fill out the **entire IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE**, along with your **SIGNATURE**.
- Fold your voted ballot and place inside the **IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE** and seal.
- Place the **IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE** in the **RETURN ENVELOPE** and seal.
- **Under Ohio law YOUR BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED** if the identification envelope is not completed, signed and returned with the ballot sealed inside the identification envelope.
- The ballot must be **RECEIVED** by the Director of the Board of Elections no later than the close of the polls (7:30 pm) on Election Day in order to be counted on Election Day. Ballot can be mailed or hand delivered by the voter or a member of their immediate family. **Mailed ballots must be postmarked by Monday, May 3, 2021**

NOTE: If you request an absentee ballot and then go to your polling place to vote, you may be **REQUIRED TO VOTE A PROVISIONAL BALLOT**.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS-FILL THEM IN, MAIL THEM IN! Make sure your absentee ballot counts!

DAYTON MAYOR

Vote for 1

QUESTIONS:

1. Describe how your leadership style will help you to lead the City of Dayton forward.
2. As mayor, how will you promote collaboration in decision-making in city government?
3. The pandemic has brought new awareness of the social, economic, and health inequities in our community. As mayor, what steps will you take to address these disparities?
4. What is the most pressing fiscal issue facing the City of Dayton?
5. What is your position on tax abatements for high-end residential developments and businesses?
6. How should the city prepare for the looming eviction crisis?
7. What role should the mayor and City Commission play in planning and preparing for protests and civil unrest?

Candidate: RENNES BOWERS

BIO: I am not a politician; I am a retired firefighter, a father, a husband, a grandpa, and a man of faith. I have lived in Dayton for over 40 years, and when the City eliminated the residency requirement, my wife, Julie, and I stayed in the City. It's our home!

ANSWER #1: I am a servant leader with compassion towards all. I am a uniter of people. We have to find solutions for our problems, not just rhetoric but action. Our issues will require Brave Solutions and the brightest minds the City has to offer to find remedies. I will bring them together. I also firmly believe in the rule of law.

ANSWER #2: People shun collaboration when they desire power, a power that robs Dayton residents of bright ideas and brave solutions to problems. As Mayor, I will build an administration on collaboration. The chamber and the churches. The restaurants and the renovators. We are a City of tremendous talent. The Mayor's position will never be about me; I don't need the credit - this will be about the City of Dayton, and I can guarantee that your voice will be heard.

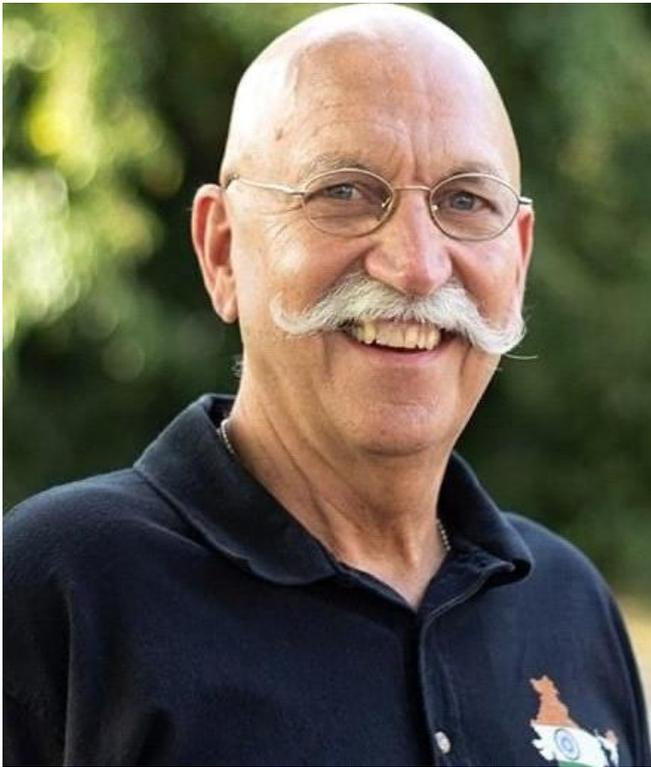
ANSWER #3: I do not think Dayton, Ohio is systemically racist. Like Martin Luther King Jr. said, if we want to stop racism in the United States, we need to stop focusing on the color of a man's skin and start looking at his character's content.

My savior is a middle easterner Jewish man born some 2,000 years ago. He was only 33 years old when he died. Dark skinned and radical. He changed the world – he changed me. I think he is the answer to all of our social, economic, and health inequalities.

ANSWER #4: This question is tough to answer because I am not convinced that we know how much money the City of Dayton collects, reserves, and spends. Unless we work together to spur economic growth by getting out of the way of those that want to do business in Dayton and expand opportunity for all, it won't matter. I believe that business generates revenue, people generate revenue – NOT GOVERNMENT – as Mayor, my job is to help steer that ship in a fiscally responsible manner.

ANSWER #5: I don't have a problem with them as long as they are within reason. 5, 10 years in exchange for new residential complexes that bring people into the city to live is a good thing. People living in all neighborhoods and downtown bring shops, restaurants, and galleries, which generate revenue. A safe and robust downtown brings people into neighborhoods that benefit everyone.





ANSWER #6: The eviction crisis is an opportunity for the faith community to demonstrate their compassion for others, but there are two sides to that coin. Do we want the government telling us what we can and can't do with privately owned businesses? I suspect landlords don't want to evict people; however, at some point, they have to pay the mortgages and recoup the investments, so they should have a right to evict people who don't pay. The eviction crisis is an issue that we can partner with the Faith community on.

ANSWER #7: We ought to be forward-thinking so that we can diffuse situations like this instead of believing they will ultimately happen. Additionally, we need a strong police force, and we need collaboration with all of the law enforcement agencies in Montgomery County. We need to work hand in hand with the Sheriff's Department

Candidate: GARY LEITZELL

BIO: Born in Pittsburgh, Pa. I moved to England at age 9. Returned to Pittsburgh age 21 with a suitcase, backpack \$600 and the American dream. Worked several sales and management jobs in 1980s. Started my own hobby related business in 1994 when I moved to Dayton. Dayton Mayor 2010-2014. GoGaryGo.com.

ANSWER #1: As the previous mayor I know what to expect. I will encourage and challenge the staff to try new ideas, and not be afraid of failure. You always pass failure on the road to success. I met with the city manager every week to discuss ideas, many of which arose from citizens. I was called the "People's Mayor" because I made myself accessible to regular citizens. I listen. I am fair, and I'm honest. My door was always open and I don't play party politics. I'm open to solutions and ideas that will benefit the citizens of Dayton.

ANSWER #2: As an independent candidate, my door is open to anyone regardless of party affiliation. I believe it is extremely important to recreate a sense of community in Dayton neighborhoods. Neighborhood leaders must have an open door to city hall. Encourage participation from neighborhood leaders. Attend neighborhood meetings. I cultivate fresh ideas from all employees, not just department heads. Be open to alternative solutions. Collaborative decision-making is successful when individuals, not political parties, make a choice from creative alternatives set before them.



ANSWER #3: The reality is that any pandemic or natural disaster will affect people disproportionately. It is important that as members of the commission we work with the county to ensure the appropriate programs are in place to address those inequities. I want not only Dayton citizens to be taken care of, but Montgomery County residents. As Dayton commissioners, we can ensure that the paths to these programs are open and available.

ANSWER #4: Dayton's general fund is projected to be \$7.4 million less than in 2020. Another issue is the loss of income tax due to Covid 19. As more people are working from home, their income tax may not be payable to the City of Dayton, but rather where they live.

ANSWER #5: It hurts the school district. Most of the money paid in real estate taxes supports Dayton Public Schools. We should not trade the education of our children for corporate profits. Instead of the City giving away land and offering abatement, they could sell the land for the value of the lost tax revenue and turn the money over to the school district. Another avenue to consider: the business could foster education initiatives such as internships and donations to schools for educational programs.

ANSWER #6: This is a speculative question. If an eviction crisis occurs, there will also be a mortgage crisis for some landlords. The "Pay to Stay" ordinance does not take landlord issues into consideration. For many landlords, rent is how they bring food to the table. Some have debt on properties. No rent means they can't pay mortgages or property taxes. Houses become abandoned. The unintended consequences of the ordinance were not considered. This is where collaborative decision-making is important. Include and retrieve feedback from the Board of Realtors, neighborhood landlords. Devise a compromise that would benefit or placate both sides.

ANSWER #7: This is another situation that requires collaborative planning and preparations between community police and fire departments, elected officials and neighborhood leaders.

I stress the concept of community, neighborhood police. Elected officials should be the conduit to the public. . Elected officials must be in the communities discussing issues with citizens, and devising solutions before any unrest arises.

Candidate: JEFFREY J. MIMS JR.

BIO: Educated Dayton Public and Jefferson TWP Schools. Vietnam War Veteran 604th ACS. B.S. Industrial Tech., Central State University; M.S., Administration, Wright State University. Current second term, Dayton City Commissioner; Formerly 3rd Dist. Rep. State School Board, President Dayton School Board, director Government Relations, President Dayton Education Association, Teacher and Coach.

ANSWER #1: I have a history of strong, dedicated and consistent leadership with a focus on team building and collaboration. My team and unification skills are an asset to identifying and working with the region's community leaders and investors in developing goals and priorities.

ANSWER #2: The best way to promote collaboration is to demonstrate it. My history and body of work as a union president responsible for negotiating strong and positive labor/management agreements as well as State and Federal legislation is representative of my collaborative skills.



ANSWER #3: While there is still much to do, some successful social and economic indicators have shown promise prior to the loss of Good Samaritan Hospital and the “Summer from hell!” The opioid crisis has been minimized, a voted tax increase (the first in 34 years) gave needed dollars to vital programs and services, fixing roads, hiring 20 new police officers, providing pre school supports for our youngest citizens, and achieving the fastest job growth in the region. As Mayor, my responsibility in regards to the social, economic and health inequalities are clear, follow the science and the advice of local, state, and national experts, accelerate the strong movement in job creation and economic development opportunities that’s already in progress.

ANSWER #4: The most pressing fiscal issues facing the City are flat income tax revenues, COVID-19 recovery processes and long term revenue losses because of new work from home potential by employers.

ANSWER #5: I support tax abatements where possible to continue the economic growth of the city while working with the Dayton Public Schools to help keep them whole during the abatement period.

ANSWER #6: The City has worked with the parties to approve legislation to minimize evictions where back payments and fees have been paid. Continuing efforts to find State and Federal support where needed is ongoing.

ANSWER #7: The Mayor and the Commission will lead! Unfortunately the City has significant experiences in the areas of protests and civil unrest response. With the help of many, Community Police Council (CPC), Downtown Dayton Partnership and more, we have been successful in minimizing what could have been a more catastrophic set situations for the Dayton community. Our role in planning and preparation for protests and civil unrest is continuous. We have developed plans that have been updated from learned past experiences. Additionally, our recent investment in police reform initiatives will serve us well as we have increased our level of trust between Dayton’s citizens and our police. These factors will put us in a better position to lead from the front.

DAYTON CITY COMMISSION

Vote for 2

**Indicates incumbent*

QUESTIONS:

1. Governor DeWine recently announced plans to market Ohio as a progressive state. What do you see in the City of Dayton that fits this description?
2. The pandemic has brought new awareness of the social, economic, and health inequities in our community. What steps should the City Commission take to address these disparities?
3. What is the most pressing fiscal issue facing the City of Dayton?
4. What is your position on tax abatements for high-end residential developments and businesses?
5. How should the city prepare for the looming eviction crisis?
6. What role should the mayor and City Commission play in planning and preparing for protests and civil unrest?
7. What decisions taken by the Dayton City Commission in the past four years do you NOT support ?
8. Propose a policy or program for the City of Dayton which has not been tried before.



Candidate: STACEY D. BENSON-TAYLOR

BIO: Delphi -AssemblyWorker -7 years
Montgomery County Public Defender -Paralegal/Intern -10 years
Sinclair Community College -Professor/Advisory Board Member
AFSCMEOhio Council 8 -Staff Representative/Regional Director -15 years
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority-Member
AFL-CIO-Executive Board
Shine Like A Diamond Consulting-CEO/Founder



ANSWER #1: The current political climate for the state of Ohio would not be considered progressive as Ohio's GOP-controlled Legislature has not passed many progressive policies over the years.

Dayton has been far more progressive in terms of liberal initiatives when you think of city specific programming, policies, and laws such as Welcome Dayton, Prevailing Wage, Paid Parental Leave, the recent decriminalization of minimal marijuana quantities and police reform.

These examples of progressive politics speak to this city's commitment to continue diversifying the area while seeking equity in areas such as housing, environmental, economics, education and health care.

ANSWER #2: The COVID-19 pandemic has unmasked inequities that have long since been in existence for disadvantaged populations. These disparities already reduce access to education, health care, food and resources in the very communities that have experienced the most severe impact-thus creating the need to further invest in these communities. The City Commission can address these disparities by partnering with healthcare providers to attract/locate viable health facilities and by advocating for more locally controlled grocery stores such as the Gem City Market. Lastly, the City Commission can continue to partner with the Dayton Public School District to facilitate more educational opportunities.

ANSWER #3: While the \$147 Million in Recovery Act funding replaces revenue lost from COVID-19, Dayton's most pressing issue is a direct result of the pandemic. The proposed commuter income tax reduction would result in \$20+million in lost revenue, creating numerous financial/operational challenges. Hiring freezes, abolished positions, separation plans and budget reductions have significantly affected our city's workforce and ability to provide vital services. The loss of the commuter tax will further exacerbate an already strained budget. Effectively cutting cost to mitigate these losses without compromising essential services coupled with strategic funding allocations are key in moving towards fiscal recovery.

ANSWER #4: I would be extremely reluctant to give tax abatements to high-end residential developments and businesses based upon the trends I have observed in the Dayton area. Downtown Dayton has attracted numerous businesses and investors that are willing to invest in downtown and this interest has steadily increased as the market continues to grow.

The market is currently driving development so the need to incentivize businesses has significantly decreased. Considering these factors- if businesses were willing to expand their operations to disadvantaged communities, I would be open to considering creative ways to incent investment.

ANSWER #5: To address the eviction crisis city officials should partner with the Housing Authority to help facilitate access to affordable housing opportunities in the area. City officials can also serve as a liaison for rental assistance programs such as those offered through Montgomery County and Catholic Social Services.



The City of Dayton can also implement an information day to provide resources/information to the community as a preventative measure to avoid potential displacement. These targeted events combined with a 24-hour hotline for questions regarding eviction and housing issues are strategic ways to help combat the looming eviction crisis in our area.

ANSWER #6: The City of Dayton has a statutory responsibility to ensure the health and safety of the community and must plan and prepare for any potential civil unrest that occurs within city limits. This burden of responsibility was shown in May 2019 when the City of Dayton increased expenditures to safeguard citizens when the Honorable Sacred Knights of Indiana came to Dayton for a controversial rally at Courthouse Square. City officials collaborated with Montgomery County Commissioners and law enforcement from across the region to ensure that city residents were protected while exercising their right to protest the event.

ANSWER #7: The Dayton City Commission should have hired a consultant to assess the viability of the Dayton International Airport as soon as Southwest Airlines announced their departure due to the dramatic loss of air travel. Unfortunately, by the time the outside consultant was hired, and the report was completed the Aviation Department had suffered significant financial losses and required restructuring. The Aviation Department could have also benefited from new leadership that would have quickly and accurately forecasted the impact of the decline in air travel and created a strategic plan to attract new airlines and increase the overall operational revenue.

ANSWER #8: My proposal is a program focusing on community engagement by creating an "Innovation Council "and a "Youth Representative". The Council would bring together students (high school/college), young professionals and mature citizens to learn more about city government, discuss the issues each group is facing along with their ideas/vision for the city. The format would resemble the current police reform task force and would give the group an opportunity to make recommendations. A designated youth representative would serve as a community liaison between the council and city government. This student would attend commission meetings and present a report of activities and concerns.

Candidate: VALERIE N. DUNCAN

BIO: I was born into a blue collar family with Hispanic roots. Learned about hard work and caring for my neighbors. Worked for the City of Dayton for over 30 years, then retired. As a City Commissioner I am dedicated to tackle the issues affecting our neighborhoods and water quality.

ANSWER #1: The City of Dayton can develop plans that promote Dayton and the Midwest region markets. One of the ways to do this is to promote Dayton's location to the rest of the region. Within 90 minutes, businesses can reach their customers, clintial, and other markets. Dayton is at the center of the crossroads of I 70 , I 75, and I 675 corridors. Giving Dayton businesses an ideal location to reach a multitude of market opportunities to sell their goods and services. Dayton needs to develop a strategic plan to promote Dayton's 90 minute market to the entire Midwest region.

ANSWER #2: Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, there has been job loss in the Dayton area, causing a lot of problems for the unemployed. The problems range from lack of food, to not being able to pay their bills, to getting your Covid 19 shots. Those bills included utility payments and paying rent. The ones hardest hit are our Senior Citizens and our low income earners. The City of Dayton needs to make sure that all residents, including our seniors, our LGBTQ+ community, our immigrant community, are informed of the Covid 19 Relief programs and get the needed help.



ANSWER #3: The most pressing fiscal issue facing Dayton is the possibility of not being able to provide services, such as police and Fire Due to Covid 19, Cities, counties and townships are facing a financial crisis. Like most cities. Dayton depends on payroll tax for revenue to fund Dayton's budget but due to Covid 19, workers who are working from home don't pay payroll tax to Dayton. Even though their companies are located in Dayton. Cities and counties alike will get relief from the recent federal Stimulus ,but solutions are needed for cities that continue to lose revenue from worker's payroll tax.

ANSWER #4: Dayton provides a tax abatement program for those making improvements to properties within Dayton Community Reinvestment areas. The property tax that is calculated based on property improvements are reduced on a predetermined amount for a designated period of time. It depends on what is invested over a period of time to qualify for the reduced property tax for 10 years. Lower income residents most likely don't have the money required for high end residential and business investments. The City of Dayton needs to create Tax Abatement programs for the lower income residents to take advantage of reduced property taxes, also.

ANSWER #5: Dayton has some tenants who are not able to pay rent, due to covid 19. Even with relief from the county to help pay the rent, for some tenants it has become difficult to keep up with bills. The City of an ordinance helps tenants avoid eviction by allowing Municipal judges to determine if the tenant has paid all the back rent, late fees and court costs before eviction. The New ordinance does not comply with the current State of Ohio Landlord / Tenant statutes, so if there is a dispute by any party, it can be challenged in court.

ANSWER #6: It was estimated that the City of Dayton spent approximately \$650,000 dollars on security details for the KKK protest in Dayton. The City of Dayton needs to approach protests and civil unrest by determining the cost for security and other personnel ahead of time and make sure that the protesters such as the KKK know the amount due and make payment of the costs as conditions to hold their protest or rally. Only 9 protesters attended the KKK rally in Dayton. The Anti Rally protesters came to show support against hate, drowning out the 9 KKK protesters.

ANSWER #7: The City of Dayton is giving up ownership of the Convention Center after almost 50 years. The City of Dayton has approved an agreement to give up ownership to the County. The County will receive Dayton's 3% lodgings tax as part of the agreement. The Facilities Authority will pay, as agreed by the City, more than \$692,00 dollars in debt payments to pay for the improvements made by the city in 2011. The Center has been operating in the red since 2011. The City Convention center remains a challenge to attract Convention goers and make it profitable.

ANSWER #8: Major development is on the way to revitalize downtown Dayton. The City of Dayton has several partners including City Wide Development, Dayton Chamber of Commerce, the Dayton Development Coalition, and Downtown Dayton Partnership. As a result, millions of dollars are being invested to help Downtown Dayton thrive. The City of Dayton needs to commit the same development investments and efforts to revitalize our Dayton neighborhoods. The city's housing issues need to be our number one priority. There are several creative ways to get our housing infrastructure back on track. We need new leadership to implement plans and get measured results.

For more information about the League of Women Voters, visit our website at www.lwvdayton.org.



Candidate: DARRYL FAIRCHILD*

BIO: As Commissioner over the last three challenge-filled years, I have been tested by fire and been a responsible and responsive leader. I am the Manager of Chaplain Services at Dayton Children’s Hospital. I am a husband, father, DPS graduate, live-long Daytonian and an avid hand-cyclist.

ANSWER #1: The intent of the plan is to attract people to the state, especially in the aftermath of the pandemic. I’m not sure if we are the smallest big city or the biggest small town; either way we have a lot to offer a prospective citizen. We have a confluence of different people and ideas which leads to creativity and innovation. We are a community where you can connect with people and make a difference. We welcome everyone. We are a vital and vibrant hub for commerce, education, arts/culture and recreation where you can experience life at its fullest.

ANSWER #2: We took a first step by adopting the resolution declaring racism as a public health crisis. This declaration was comprehensive, covering all disparities. There are more steps: 1) create a vision that includes all of our citizens — while we did not create these disparities; we must be the ones to undo the legacy of racism; 2) adequately fund the Human Relations Council; 3) create an initial plan and strategy by setting up time-defined working groups for each area of disparity; 4) recruit the appropriate partners and resources to implement our plan and to substantially reduce the disparities.



ANSWER #3: The issue is two-fold. 1) Dayton will be receiving \$147 million from the American Rescue Plan. This funding is a generational opportunity. These funds must protect basic services, significantly improve our neighborhoods (new homes, rehabilitation, and demolition), improve business corridors, and invest in current and new businesses. 2) We do not fully know the long-term financial impact of the pandemic. With the loss of jobs and people working from home, the city’s revenue is likely to be significantly reduced. These two factors and a multi-year recovery make it important to use the \$147 million well.

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Montgomery County, 937-225-5656; <https://www.montgomery.boe.ohio.gov/>

Greene County: 937-562-6170; <https://www.boe.ohio.gov/greene>



ANSWER #4: Tax abatements are one of our tools for economic and neighborhood development. We are in a competitive environment where other jurisdictions are fighting against us to attract private investment. It is important that we use every tool. I would like to see us expand the use of this tool to encourage residential development, similar to the city wide tax-abatement program Akron uses for residential homes.

ANSWER #5: Hopefully the American Rescue Act has provided enough resources to assist renters and to jump start the economy so that the recovery will avert a crisis. Still, we need to prepare by working with landlords and renters to maximize rental assistance. We recently passed the Pay to Stay ordinance which should help to reduce the number of evictions. We need to educate residents about available resources - for example, stimulus payments, unemployment benefits, and the child tax credit. We should convene GDPM, social service agencies and housing organizations to prepare to rapidly re-house those who are evicted.

ANSWER #6: I have worked to strengthen the relationship between police and community members. This work needs to continue. We need to continue to create a safe environment where citizens can exercise their first amendment rights. We need to regularly review police practice, policies and resources. Recent protests are difficult for citizens and police because they are often spontaneous, contain multiple groups with varied interests, and sometimes occur without clear leaders. In these situations, we need to communicate clear expectations about acceptable and unacceptable behavior and consequences.

ANSWER #7: As an incumbent commissioner, there were several decisions made with which I did not agree. Most recently, I voted no on the 2021 Budget (Appropriations Ordinance). While there is no question that we faced difficult decisions, the priorities of the budget did not match those I have heard from residents. We did not invest in our youth nor adequately fund the Human Relations Council. I also voted no on the renewal of the Shotspotter contract. We made this decision prior to finalizing the overall budget. I do not agree with investing in Shotspotter over our youth.

ANSWER #8: I propose creating municipal broadband. Currently, market based broadband provides inadequate coverage and speed. Because broadband coverage is unequal across the city, there are barriers to commercial and residential investment. These barriers harm current business, and deter investment. Likewise, workers and students have been at a disadvantage. To implement this proposal, we should explore multiple models: public utility, public - private partnership and leasing to private enterprise.

Candidate: JARED GRANDY

BIO: Jared Grandy was born and raised in Dayton and graduated of Meadowdale High School. He studied criminal justice at UC and law at Northern Kentucky University. Most recently, Jared served as the City of Dayton’s Community-Police Relations Coordinator at the Human Relations Council (HRC). His community always comes first.

ANSWER #1: I see Daytonians arriving early to the future as always. The West Side of Dayton is building its own grocery store; the East Side of Dayton is building its own community center. I see playgrounds and community gardens where there once were empty parking lots. I see people of all races addressing systemic racism and supporting each other in times of crisis. I see a new generation taking the lead. If we help all Daytonians cover their basic needs (food, water, shelter, safety, medical care, and education), imagine how much progress we can make.

ANSWER #2: I believe the City of Dayton should hire more Daytonians. The quickest path to covering your family’s basic needs is a good job with benefits. With \$147 million in federal relief coming our way,



we have the power to create jobs that fill urgent community needs. Students need tutors and mentors; clinics need nurses; potholes need to be filled; bridges need to be built. We can create good jobs through the city budget so people can survive through these hard times and build up our community at the same time. Also, let's go get our hospital back.

ANSWER #3: The deficit caused by the pandemic is looming. Our challenge will be to address the immediate needs created by this crisis while also investing in projects that will pay dividends for years to come. We can create jobs while addressing urgent community issues. For example, we can create jobs and give our kids a safe place to go after school by building more recreation centers. Or we can invest in green infrastructure, also creating jobs and saving the city millions in energy costs. As we weather this crisis, we must still think about what we will leave the next generation.

ANSWER #4: At their best, tax abatements (or tax credits) can help Daytonians buy homes and start businesses. At their worst, tax abatements let out-of-town developers get away with not paying their fair share. With every tax abatement, I will ask: does this help the people of Dayton, or does it help someone trying to get rich off Dayton's beauty? Tax abatements should benefit the families that want to stay in Dayton for the long haul.



ANSWER #5: The city should honor and expand the moratoriums on evictions, which have helped thousands of Daytonians stay in their homes in this time of crisis. This has been one of the worst years any of us have experienced, and we all need a little grace right now. Expanding the eviction moratorium will keep untold numbers of people from entering the spiral of poverty and homelessness. The city should also continue to use its legal power to make sure federal relief goes to people who actually require it, and not to delinquent landlords.

ANSWER #6: Commissioners and the mayor should make sure that representatives of the city government (police) uphold the constitutional rights of people who protest. We do not need militarized police presence in response to peaceful demonstrations. When the KKK tried to stir up hate in our city, our department at the Human Relations Council trained 30 people as peacekeepers and marshals. I would expand that training so more Daytonians can help protect the human and civil rights of their fellow people. More volunteers assisting with safety at demonstrations would also take the burden off police and save the city money.

ANSWER #7: The City Commission voted to give another \$400,000 to Shot Spotter so they can put more surveillance devices in West Dayton. The program began in 2019, and \$200,000 later, all Shot Spotter has given us is 27 people arrested, 34 guns confiscated, and a whole bunch of spent bullet casings in an evidence room. Why not invest in programs that are proven to decrease violence and bring meaningful safety? It is time to re-direct our tax dollars toward the root causes of violence – poverty, hunger, lack of education, and lack of opportunities.



ANSWER #8: In every neighborhood in Dayton, you will find someone who looks out for other people. The caretakers. The nurses. The babysitters. The folks who cook extra so their neighbors can eat, who plan the block parties, who organize the trash cleanups, who run afterschool programs. I propose that we find the people who are genuinely serving others and give them all the support they need to organize their communities. I propose the first ever Gem City Organizing Fellowship – a city-funded program to train, financially support, and convene people who organize their neighbors for positive change.

Candidate: SCOTT SLIVER

BIO: Advertising/Marketing (Kings Island, Merrill Lynch, Delco) 15 yrs
Sr. Assoc. Pastor, Dayton Vineyard, 25 yrs
Food Pantry (1,000 families monthly) 12 yrs
Landmarks Commission (Historic Districts) 5 yrs
Exec. Board, Dayton NAACP, 5 yrs
Community Police Council (CPC) 3 yrs
Police Reform Working Group, 1 yr
Mentor DPS, 5 yrs



ANSWER #1: Ohio is not a progressive state, having voted R by 8 points in both the 2016 and 2020 elections. Dayton is, however, one of the more progressive pockets in Ohio, leading the way in terms of progressive policies. The past several years has exposed the racial divide in our criminal justice system, hence our current police reform efforts. A few years ago, Dayton declared itself a “welcoming city.” A fight from the right ensued. Additional areas of focus for progressives include health care, environmental justice and disparity issues. These are not areas of significant concern at the state level.

ANSWER #2: The pandemic merely exposed the disparities that have always existed. COVID hit minority communities harder than any other. DPS students were impacted at a higher level than students in more affluent districts. The lack of access to healthy food, affordable healthcare (the closure of Good Samaritan Hospital is still painful), and jobs that pay a living wage has hit our community hard. We must create opportunities for citizens to succeed at every turn. The city’s budget must reflect what we say are its values, with policies in place to help our community effectively.

ANSWER #3: Recovery from the budget crisis due to the pandemic is priority #1. Fully funding the Human Relations Council is THE hot-button issue. We must fully fund the HRC. I’ve been on the CPC for over three years and served on the Community Engagement Police Reform Working Group. The city cuts its budget 15-20% across the board—\$18 million! It will take time to recover from that loss of revenue, but we have to continue providing the same quality essential services to our community. Every citizen and neighborhood should benefit from the (pending) \$147 million in federal dollars.

ANSWER #4: I am for it, but the city rarely offers tax abatements anymore. As part of any deal, they include the School Board in the discussion to ensure they are made whole, either by direct payments or in-kind assistance, like providing internships or other students' opportunities. Second, when a company



accepts an abatement or other types of assistance from the city, they have to disclose the number of jobs they will create by using that funding. If they don't create that number of jobs, the city takes back those monies. Our school district suffers when real estate in the city suffers.

ANSWER #5: Twelve million renters in the US are estimated to owe an average of almost \$6,000 per household in late rent and utility payments. This situation could become a domestic humanitarian crisis. We cannot allow people who are evicted due to the pandemic to end up on the streets. We could take any number of empty office buildings or warehouses and turn them into temporary housing by partnering with local non-profits specializing in finding permanent housing, job assistance, and other services. We need to get out ahead of this looming crisis.

ANSWER #6: In that they oversee police and fire, they must be integrally involved. Many citizens say that the city “wasted \$650,000 on nine protesters” in May of 2019. It wasn't about the number of protesters. It was to ensure our city didn't meltdown into yet another ugly ordeal on CNN. All it would have taken was for one shot to have been fired by any rally member, protestor, or worse, a DPD officer. We needed that money to address other issues. It was insurance. It was a show of strength against those who were seeking to sow hate in our city.

ANSWER #7: It should not have taken George Floyd's death to cause our city leaders to get serious about police reform. As a long-standing member of the HRC's Community Police Council, we proposed numerous reforms, programs, and policy changes that were never considered. The good news is that now there are 135 recommendations submitted, with 83 of those accepted and 45 are outstanding within the 30-day response window. As a City Commissioner, I will fight to ensure that all recommendations are implemented and fully funded.

ANSWER #8: I recently read about a program in Arizona where a non-profit partnered with the city by offering to those interested, breakfast, lunch, and the opportunity to work for X hours for \$XX.00 cash at the end of the day. They could assist city workers by picking up trash, landscaping, or whatever is needed. Diligent workers could then be offered full-time employment as opportunities arise. This program would be designed not to impact current city employment levels and implemented as an internship program. The purpose is to lift people out of poverty. This could be funded primarily by grants and donations.

Candidate: SHENISE TURNER-SLOSS

BIO: I hold a B.A. in Political Science, M.S.A in General/Public Administration, certifications in housing and community development, and over 15 years of experience in local and federal government. I co-founded Neighborhoods Over Politics (NOP), a non-profit dedicated to raising citizen participation and revitalizing neighborhoods

ANSWER #1: Unfortunately, aside from the revitalization of downtown, and the development of Gem City Market, I have not seen anything that aligns with Dayton being “progressive”. In September of 2020, Dayton became one of the most impoverished cities in the country and still remains to be one of the most segregated. Our current leaders may blame COVID for increased poverty, and there is some truth in this; however, we can't negate that Dayton has been spiraling downward for quite some time with less opportunities for residents to improve their well-being. Dayton has seen more regressive outcomes.



ANSWER #2: These inequities were pre-existing, COVID only exasperated it. With the recent announcement of the city of Dayton receiving 147 million in federal aid, as Commissioner, I would meet with residents, businesses, and community stakeholders to develop comprehensive plan to address these inequities through responsive policy, programming, and the allocation of funds that will reverse decades of restrictive policies. In the past, leadership has forfeited over \$400,000, which placed us in a compromising position with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). It is incumbent upon the leadership to reconcile past practices, and be inclusive with its governing.

ANSWER #3: Poverty is the most pressing issue in Dayton. This singlehandedly decreases opportunity while increasing economic, food, health, environmental, personal, community, and political insecurities within the city. In addition, poverty can be a traumatizing event for children with stress having wide-reaching consequences that negatively affect educational attainment, increase criminal mischief and incarceration rates. Downtown development at the expense of disinvested neighborhoods is inexcusable. The city has mismanaged the budget and intentionally finagled funding that was supposed to be used for revitalization and demolition of housing deemed “unlivable”.

ANSWER #4: It becomes questionable when tax cuts are given to the very same developers/ businesses who can afford to pay their fair share of taxes meanwhile the working families are continuously taxed. Our current administration yells foul when the state cuts funding or when the federal government gives tax breaks to the rich. However, our city leadership practices the same acts with large developers and wealthy businesses that strain the local tax base that supports our school district.

ANSWER #5: This is an issue that could be proactively managed by providing housing assistance to lowincome renters. The financial health of a city is closely related to that of the residents; therefore, when families struggle, so do the communities that they reside in. The city also needs more affordable housing and to create homeownership programs that transition renters into responsible home owners. In response to the pandemic, NOP was able to provide rental and mortgage payment assistance to residents while providing financial counseling and mental health wellness checks. This program can be used as a model.

ANSWER #6: We should welcome residents to peacefully exercise their constitutional rights. However, we should have emergency plans and practices in place that our local authorities should handle without militarizing police conduct and excessive force. If it is a strain on resources, we should exercise our ability to call on the reserve.

ANSWER #7:

1. Budget cuts,
2. Emergency funds used for KKK Rally,
3. City not having emergency response system and plan in place,
4. Plans for redevelopment of the Paul Knoop Prarie,
5. Dismantling of the LotLinks Program,
6. Recent budget cuts with Human Relations Council (HRC),
7. Decrease in funding of the Department of Youth and Recreation Services



- 8. Increase in the City Commission budget,
- 9. Disagree with the use of federal HUD dollars (CDBG), for the use of “Shot-Spotter” given the increased police budget.

All of these egregious acts do not show that the residents are a priority.

ANSWER #8: Every resident deserves to live in a clean and safe neighborhood. The “Fix My Block” program that will encourage existing home owners to invest in their property by providing grants and low-interest loans for repairs. The “Fix My Block” program will be supported by the city partnering with other community stakeholders to create an aggressive demolition program for vacant properties and the management and elimination of overgrown trees and grass making Dayton “Beautiful”. The program will also protect longtime homeowners from unaffordable increases in property taxes by advocating for a county’s Longtime Owner Occupant Protection tax exemption.

Candidate: JORDAN WORTHAM

BIO: I am a proud father born and raised in Dayton and the son of a Dayton Police Detective and Dayton Municipal Court Judge. Graduate from Chaminade Julienne High School and the University of Cincinnati with a Bachelor’s in Communications. Served as a Dayton Police Officer for seven years.

ANSWER #1: There is much untapped potential in the City of Dayton that can be unleashed by new leadership and direction. Dayton citizens are the most talented hardworking people and with the right leadership, Dayton can be one of the greatest cities in America.

ANSWER #2: The City Commission should create and implement empowerment zones in Dayton neighborhoods by tax abatements, lowering taxes and regulations. These efforts will be lasered focused on encouraging entrepreneurs and businesses to invest in our community and create high paying jobs for Dayton citizens. Also, we must attract health clinics, urgent cares, and grocery stores to our community.

ANSWER #3: A diminishing general fund caused by the lack of jobs that provide livable wages and healthcare. We need to make our city more business friendly to have population growth, business investment and development, and jobs with increased wages.

ANSWER #4: Tax abatements can be highly effective to spur economic activity, however they must be fair and not arbitrarily given or influenced by special interests.

ANSWER #5: Encourage homeownership by addressing unfair inspections, ordinances, and fines. Landlords and investors should be allowed to freely operate their businesses without overly burdensome ordinances and housing codes. Notwithstanding, we must ensure renters have livable home conditions and basic housing protections. We need a balanced approach to these issues.



ANSWER #6: Develop a fine tune and bi-pillar strategic approach that will protect citizens' right to freely express themselves as well as protect people and property by enforcing criminal statutes in good faith to maintain civil order and the rule of law.

ANSWER #7: Their refusal to implement citizens suggested clear and efficient solutions to abandoned homes, trash, closure of recreational centers and golf course, crime, and economic investment within our neighborhoods. The most horrendous act is when the Commission told Amazon E-Commerce Company that they were not welcome for business development in Dayton because they did not like their type. Sadly, Amazon went to a neighboring city and created thousands of jobs and tax revenue.

ANSWER #8: Create a Civilian Oversight Board comprised of a nine Dayton citizen panel who are not selected and or paid by the city of Dayton who will be entrusted to hold the government more accountable and transparent with citizen complaints. The panel will have authority to overturn and uphold decisions made by the City of Dayton. Dayton Commission and the Board shall conduct monthly townhall public meetings for questions and answers.

Huber Heights Mayor

Vote for 1

**Indicates incumbent*

QUESTIONS:

1. Describe how your leadership style will help you to lead the City of Huber Heights forward.
2. As mayor, how will you promote transparency and collaboration with the City Council in decision-making?
3. What is the most pressing issue facing the City of Huber Heights?

Candidate: JEFF GORE*

BIO: I was raised in Huber Heights and graduated from Wayne High School in 1990. I am married to Toni Gore and we have 3 sons and 2 grandchildren. I have a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's degree in education and teach Social Studies at Wayne.

ANSWER #1: My leadership style is one of flexibility and compromise. As mayor I have always encouraged dialog between council members, even when disagreements are obvious. I believe that each member of council has different skill sets and I encourage each councilmember to use those skill sets for the betterment of the community. I have proven that it doesn't matter where an idea originates from; if it's a good idea we should discuss it and look at moving it forward. As a leader of Huber Heights, I respect, value and appreciate everyone's commitment to making our community better.



ANSWER #2: As mayor, I have always encouraged our citizens to come to our meetings and let their voices and concerns be heard. I led an initiative to create a document that shows all actions discussed at the work sessions so residents can follow those items through to the city council meetings and that document gets posted on our website after each meeting. I also plan on holding more “town hall” sessions where residents can come and ask any questions they have in a more informal environment. I’m also in favor of a community interview process for the new city manager.

ANSWER #3: I’m proud to say we’ve experienced unprecedented growth in Huber Heights over the last 3 years. With that growth, however, has come some growing pains. We’re faced with an aging infrastructure and traffic congestion near I-70 and 202 and we must take action to renew our infrastructure and relieve the congestion our residents have clearly stated they are concerned about. We are in the process of making plans for traffic fixes, and my plan is to encourage council to use the federal funds we’re expecting over the next two years to increase our current funding to help replenish our infrastructure

ANSWER #4: Growth is important to the vitality of any city, and Huber Heights is no different. Our residents have made it clear they want to live in a city that feels like an exciting place to call home. We need smart growth however, and the growth needs to happen in all areas of the city, and we need to continue to promote the areas in the southern part of the city. Under my leadership, we will continue to be fiscally responsible and run our city like a business with a balance sheet and be great stewards of taxpayer dollars.

Candidate: ED LYONS

BIO: I am married with three teenagers and have lived in Huber over twenty years. I attend St. Peter Catholic Church while being an avid supporter of our community. I am a veteran with professional degrees from Wright State and the University of Dayton currently serving my tenth year on council.

ANSWER #1: My leadership style allows everyone input into what is going on whether they are a council or staff member. Through engaging everyone, we can focus more on the issue and finding a direction forward. Communication is critical as all people are valued as well as their opinions. When the final decision is made and the way forward is identified, everyone should have been included and understand why this direction is the best one for the situation.

ANSWER #2: All decisions will be made in a public meeting to ensure transparency and that the Ohio Sunshine Laws are followed. While it is necessary to have regular conversations with council members in order to keep an open channel of communication, open, honest, and transparent government is a must. This will not only promote transparency but will also allow for council members to express themselves freely while they represent the citizens. I believe this to be the cornerstone of my ten years of service in Huber Heights.



ANSWER #3: Pandemic: With over 550,000 US deaths, over 18,000 Ohio deaths, and over 900 deaths in Montgomery County, the Covid-19 pandemic is the most pressing issue in Huber Heights. As vaccinations are increasing, the worst national crisis in our lifetime is coming to an end. Everyone is looking forward to when we can get back to normal and we are getting closer each and every day. I believe we are ready to leap forward in 2021 and, I for one, can not wait to get started!

ANSWER #4: Economic development will help ensure the future of our community. The Rose Music Center, the redevelopment of the Marion Shopping Center, and the new library have already or will enhance the quality of life for our residents. However, these developments come with increased traffic that needs to be addressed. We have new and resurfaced roads in the 2021 budget including road widening projects and improved bridge repair and replacement that will help relieve congestion once they are completed. Through exceptional leadership and detailed planning we can mitigate these issues while increasing our tax base and keeping our taxes down.

Candidate: GLENN OTTO

BIO: My wife and I are veterans and have been residents and actively involved in youth sports and volunteer efforts in Huber Heights since 1994. We have three sons who have all graduated from Wayne High School and are following careers in engineering and military service.

ANSWER #1: I believe that Council members should receive as much information as possible concerning decisions that affect our community, and I will ensure that information and input from any source is accepted and shared. I will work with anyone who brings an idea that may benefit the community, and listen to criticism concerning the City of Huber Heights, regardless of who the information is coming from. I will lead from the front, in the open and respect the fact that processes are instituted to ensure that actions are in proper form and open to input by all.

ANSWER #2: I will ensure that information concerning the operation and activity of the City is widely shared between the City and members of City Council to facilitate proper decision making for the community. I will encourage Council to publicly bring ideas and recommendations forward and to have conversation and discussion, in order to serve residents and benefit the community as a whole. I believe that good ideas are good ideas, regardless of where or who they come from, and should be given proper consideration.

ANSWER #3: Revitalization. We need to address the fact that there are parts of Huber Heights that have not seen any real upgrades or beautification in roughly sixty years. While there is opportunity for new development in our community, we have to maintain and improve existing development.

Additionally, we need to expand the ways that the City can provide quality information and communication to the residents of our community in order to keep them updated on what is happening in the community, events and activities of interest and how they can get involved. Communication is key to any good relationship.



ANSWER #4: I believe that these two items go hand in hand. Providing economic development with a focus on modern production, distribution, tech and transportation jobs that will bring a good family income will preserve the quality of life for residents. Likewise, when we focus on quality of life through proper infrastructure, revitalization and improvements to park, senior and community services, we will be attractive to quality economic development.

HUBER HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

Vote for 1

**Indicates incumbent*

QUESTIONS:

1. What is the most pressing issue facing the City of Huber Heights?
2. How can Huber Heights balance economic development with the need to preserve quality of life of the residents?
3. How will you promote transparency and collaboration with the mayor and City Council in decision-making?

Candidate: KATE BAKER*

BIO: I, Kate (Small) Baker, have been a life-long member of Huber Heights. I graduated from Wayne High School, Sinclair with an Associate Degree in Financial Management, and from Wright State with a BS in Economics and Organizational Management. I work full time in commercial lending for a regional community bank.

ANSWER #1: The most pressing issue facing the City of Huber Heights is rebuilding our infra-structure and traffic management. While on council, I have voted to replace our older sewer lines and updating our water treatment plant. We are currently working on solutions to make things more affordable and operate smoother for our citizens.

As Huber Heights grows and more homes are built and more business relocate to Huber, our traffic plan will also need to grow with a thoughtful design that moves traffic effectively and will be viable in the future as the city grows.

ANSWER #2: Huber Heights has done a wonderful job of balancing economic development with the needs to preserve the quality of life for its residents. By attracting new businesses to relocate to Huber Heights they bring with them jobs and revenue dollars to the city. Huber Heights is growing by leaps and bounds. With the revenue coming from new and existing businesses, the City of Huber Heights can reinvest that money for the citizens by providing better amenities and services for them. I have encouraged growth and revitalization across all of Huber Heights.



ANSWER #3: I am transparent and I openly communicate with my citizens through social media, email and telephone. I listen to their recommendations and take forward their ideas and suggestions to the city. I have personally helped citizens from my ward to resolve concerns with their property and city related issues.

Last week there was an issue before council, our citizens wanted a resolution denouncing racism. I collaborated with the Mayor and Council. I helped edit a draft proposal that met the expectations of our Culture and Diversity Citizens Committee. We met last week 4/1/2021. I voted to approve this resolution.

Candidate: JOSEPH HENDRIX

BIO: Raised just south of Xenia, Ohio, Joe Hendrix lives with his wife of three years, their three-year-old son, their one-year-old daughter, and their two dogs Princess and Niko. Both Joe and his wife have been working at home during the pandemic and can be seen walking their dogs during lunch.

ANSWER #1: The most pressing issue facing the government of Huber Heights is transparency - getting information into the hands of the people, and listening to the people. And not just listening to people when they show up to council meetings, but actively going out to where the people are.

The most pressing issue facing the City itself - and the City is much bigger than just City Hall - is the growing pains we are suffering. For instance, a common complaint is the traffic near I70 on both 202 and 201 - something that needs to be addressed and addressed intelligently.

ANSWER #2: Economic development and quality of life need not be separate things that need to be "balanced." In fact, some things that aid quality of life also aid economic development. For instance, well-maintained roads, an involved citizenry, and responsible spending all aid both quality of life and economic development.

ANSWER #3: Transparency is the issue I will be focusing on. Some of the ideas I've had include making emails among council members available to the general public by default and listing all contracts the city has on the website. Also, the Mayor recently started a newsletter; a similar newsletter used to be distributed with the water bill. I'd like to restart that paper newsletter.



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Candidate: FRANK WYLIE

BIO: I have lived in Huber Heights since 2011. I was born/raised in Port Clinton/Catawba Island, Ohio. I attended the University of Toledo for my Bachelor's and Tiffin University for a Master's. I am married to Holly Wylie and have 4 kids. I've worked in behavioral health for 23 years.

ANSWER #1: I believe that the most pressing issue currently is trust in the city government. Conversations I have had so far in this campaign center around the belief that the city will do whatever they want, spend whatever they want, and not consider the people in the process. The people of Huber Heights need to truly feel they have a voice, that it matters, and that our views will be taken into consideration more than just for a sound bite or campaign pitch from those of us running and/or already elected.

ANSWER #2: The best way is to involve the residents more in the planning and decision-making process. Really ask the residents of the city what they want/need and then tailor the marketing/searching and communications toward potential business and industry/development that fits into what Huber heights truly wants to be. If everyone is on the same page, then we can truly say "Come Grow With Us" and mean "with US".

ANSWER #3: I truly believe that very little should be kept behind closed doors. I think that, as elected officials, we are trusted by the citizens...our neighbors...to be good stewards of that trust and the resources we have. Unless absolutely necessary I believe that we should have open and public dialogue where the residents can ask questions and truly



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MONTGOMERY COUNTY ISSUES MAY 2021

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City of Brookville

Issue 1

Additional tax levy
0.96 Mills for 5 years
For Parks and Recreational Purposes

City of Brookville

Issue 2

Additional tax levy
3.85 Mills for 5 years
For Streets, Roads, and Bridges

City of Dayton

Issue 3

Charter Amendment
To revise Section 36 to specifically detail the Mayor’s responsibilities

City of Dayton

Issue 4

Charter Amendment
To revise Section 38 to calculate Commission member salaries as a designated fraction of Montgomery County Commissioner salaries and to reflect benefits received

City of Dayton

Issue 5

Charter Amendment
To revise Section 39 to allow Commission meetings to occur by electronic means during an emergency

City of Dayton

Issue 6

Charter Amendment
To revise Section 97 to allow for police and firefighter recruit appointments to be selected from a larger group of applicants

City of Dayton

Issue 7

Charter Amendment
To revise Section 105 to expand employees’ rights to engage in political activity

City of Dayton

Issue 8

Charter Amendment
To enact a new Section 190 to declare the City’s water system to be a public utility that shall not be leased or transferred to private ownership or control

City of Dayton Precinct 9-D

Issue 9

Local option to permit Sunday sale of alcohol by Belmont Party Supply

City of Trotwood

Issue 10

Renewal levy
5.75 Mills for 5 years
For Current Expenses
No tax increase

Harrison Township

Issue 11

Renewal Levy
6 Mills for continuing period of time
For providing police protection
No tax increase

Miami Township (Unincorporated)

Issue 12

Replacement Levy
3.65 Mills for 5 years
For fire protection services



GREENE COUNTY ISSUES MAY 2021

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Beavercreek City School District

Renewal emergency levy

8.7 mills for 5 years

To provide for the emergency requirements of the school district

Fairborn City School District

Replacement for existing emergency levy

7.0 mills for a continuing period of time

To provide for the emergency requirements of the school district

Xenia Community City School District

Renewal levy

1.3 mills for 5 years

For the purpose of constructing buildings and improvements to school buildings and providing equipment and furnishings

Xenia Community City School District

Proposed bond issue

\$36,215,000 to be repaid annually over the maximum period of 37 years

2.0 mills

For the purpose of participating in the Ohio Facilities Partnership program by raising the school district’s portion of the basic project cost and additional funds required to participate in the program – by constructing a new middle school to house grades 6-8 including demolition of Warner Middle School, site improvements, furniture, utilities, equipment and all necessary appurtenances

Bellbrook-Sugarcreek Local School District

Additional levy

4.90 mills for 7 years

Providing for the emergency requirements of the school district

City Of Beavercreek

Renewal tax levy

3.4 Mills for a continuing period of time

For construction, reconstructing, resurfacing and repairing streets, roads, and bridges

Beavercreek Township (unincorporated area only)

Renewal tax levy

1.5 mills for a continuing period of time

For general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads, and bridges

