

What major problems would you like to address if elected?

I would like to address how imminent growth and change will affect the Clintonville community with regards to development and land use. I believe development should add value to a community by enhancing quality of life, rather than simply extracting wealth. The area commission can help steer development to beneficial design standards that preserve the sense of community while avoiding predatory or destructive aspects. Part of Clintonville's charm derives from its stable, multigenerational populace, accessibility, and affordability. I think I am in line with most of the residents who support development but want to ensure it does not harm the existing character of the neighborhood.

I want to encourage creative solutions to meet housing demand and expand affordability such as accessory dwelling units. Furthermore, I want to promote and incentivize small businesses and discourage the consolidation of large amounts of property by single entities.

I am also concerned with transportation and parking issues within the area. I am a driver, cyclist, pedestrian, and bus rider who values multi-modal transportation. I don't believe that any one transportation option is superior to another, but I am also aware that personal vehicles still play a significant role in the activity of the neighborhood. I don't subscribe to ideology that aims to recondition residents' behavior but believe policy should optimize the safety and needs of all residents, businesses, and visitors.

I want to advocate for tree preservation, encourage new tree plantings and native vegetation, and discourage invasive species, harmful herbicides, and pesticides to promote a healthy ecosystem within the area.

Public safety and homelessness are also important issues that I would like to give more attention to arriving at long term solutions.

What attributes do you have that would make you a good commissioner?

I am a licensed civil engineer with eight years' experience in the design and analysis of public infrastructure in and around Columbus. My work has lent me a technical understanding of many of the infrastructure and development issues that the city and residents face, as well as skills to present these issues to various stakeholders.

Although my career is oriented more toward the material world, my personality is more sensitive to the interpersonal needs of individuals in the community. I am aware of the importance of a sense of place and understand desirable communities are much more than the physical components. Clintonville attracts residents who are inspired by authenticity, attracted by the physical charm but stay for the welcoming, inclusive culture and neighborly feel.

I have a curious mind, I am constantly learning new things, and will never stop striving to better understand people and the world around me. I am a careful listener, open minded, empathetic, and honest. I believe everyone in the community should be heard and encourage all concerns to be voiced without fear of judgement or intimidation. Public meetings should showcase diverse perspectives and I am not afraid to hear

uncomfortable or unpopular opinions, believing that open debate is necessary for a healthy, functioning society. I believe nuance is extremely important, especially for complicated systems, like communities, where important details and unique circumstances are often overlooked in favor of holistic approaches.