

After returning to Clemson, in December 2007 I was introduced to a “civic group” interested in maintaining the integrity of our neighborhood and cohabiting with the students and transient residents in a cooperative atmosphere. It was working with these ladies that I developed a sincere interest in the “goings on” in Clemson. Meeting with the local law enforcers and City administrators piqued my interest in how to get things done. From there, my interest has grown to wanting to be involved with the City and not just my neighborhood civic-group.

My goals are driven by my nearly 40 years of participating and leading the organizations in which I was involved. Active participation in those organizations and a continued interest in the people served by those organizations have been important to me. When I learned of the need for a Council member, I felt a real strong need to participate and to assume a leadership role in the continued development of Clemson – especially from the perspective of neighborhoods. I want to insure that we also focus on the special qualities of this University-centric community.

For me, this begins with maintaining, not only our present infrastructures – streets, sidewalks, lighting, curbing, neighborhood integrity, and signage, but also supporting our effective public safety team. With nearly \$20M in capital improvement initiatives projected for completion during the next few years, I also favor controlled growth. However, my primary focus is with the eye of ‘neighborhood’ and to work tirelessly for our Clemson residents.

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