

## NORTH CHARLESTON CANDIDATE SURVEY

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## PRIORTIES: What are your top three priorities and why?

First I will ensure that residents and future residents know the state of the city. I will be a liason for questions and concerns between the city and the people. I will help build a trust again by being transparent and honest about the issues affecting all residents. Secondly I will put policies into place to protect current residents and land owners to preserve their land, and understand home and landowners rights. Finally I will prioritize the safety by assisting with neighborhood meetings, developing neighborhood watches, and invite residents to join efforts in building and maintaining our beautiful city.

GROWTH: Charleston is experiencing overdevelopment that is pushing people into North Charleston. What is your plan to accommodate growth while keeping neighborhoods intact in North Charleston?

Charleston is experiencing overdevelopment at this time that is indeed pushing more people into North Charleston and surround areas. The Charleston metro itself is growing at a rapid rate. Rather than overdevelopment North Charleston I would monitor and ensure that before development projects are done that proper research and investigation is done to understand the long term effects that any change will have on our current communities. We should ensure that all development not only benefit the new residents of North Charleston, but there should be zoning laws and policies in place to protect current residents and landowners.

SAFETY: North Charleston has been ranked one of the nation's most violent cities in recent years. While the crime rate has come down, what will you do as a



## city council member to make the city safer for families?

I was born and raised in North Charleston and I know that crime is an issue here. As the next City Council Member I will ensure that we recreate the sense of community. I will utilize community centers in my district and around the city to hold educational classes, skill building workshops, and other events that will help educate, rebuild relationships, not only with the city and the people, but with the people amongst each other. I will also work with the law enforcement and other agencies to further create relationships and stay involved in communities and community leaders as they have been doing so effortlessly for the last years to lower crime rates.

COMMUNITY: If you had an extra \$100 million to spend over five years to make North Charleston a stronger community, what one thing would you invest in and why?

I would invest in public transportation in the area, and create more routes, and options when it comes to getting around the city. I would also create initiatives to make North Charleston a walkable, bike rider friendly and clean city.