



City Council Candidate Survey 2021 Birmingham Municipal Election

Greater Birmingham Ministries invites you to complete this candidate survey. Your responses will inform our non-partisan 2021 Birmingham Municipal Election Guide, which will reach over 20,000 Birmingham residents. Please return your completed candidate survey to electionguide@gbm.org by July 2.

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1. Please provide a 2-3 sentence biography.

Scottie McClaney, I grew up in Collegeville. I am a graduate of Phillips High School. I have a degree from Stillman College (HBCU), and Master's in Public Administration. I held Birmingham City Council board appointments on the Downtown Redevelopment Authority Board, and Birmingham Parking Authority Board of Directors. My professional experience is in the area of grant writing, grants management and supplier diversity.

2. Please name any endorsements you have received.

None to Date

3. What are the biggest issues in your district and how would you address those issues in your role as a councilor?

The current administration in D4 is not Accessible, Available or Accountable to the resident. If the D4 administration is not available to the people how can they be heard, they can't. Communication is key and bringing residents together to hear and act on matters that are important to them is the job of a councilor.

4. How do you think the City of Birmingham should provide economic and corporate incentives?

I believe the City of Birmingham should give economic and corporate incentives based on the revenue generated by the company they are trying to locate within the City. Therefore, companies would receive a rebate of 50 percent of their income with a yearly cap over a ten-years.

5. In 2020 Birmingham had the highest homicide rate in 25 years. So far 2021 is on trajectory for an even higher homicide rate. In your role as a councilor, how would you address crime and public safety?

While crime is city wide I will work with local precincts in District 4 to increase police presence and encourage neighborhood watch to help combat crime on the streets of District 4. Getting residents to buy into assisting as much as possible will help with public safety.

- 6. In your opinion what are the most critical public services that the City of Birmingham is funding or should fund and how will you use your position as a councilor to ensure these are funded?**

The Public Transportation and Public Works services are critical. As councilor I will advocate for additional funding in transportation to extend public transportation hours. If jobs in Birmingham go past bus service hours we must work to fund services pass regular hours to accommodate the citizens dependent on these services to get to and from work. Public works services should be the same in all areas of the city. The largest complaint is overgrown and vacant lots in the area. Ordinances not being enforced on absent and abandoned structure owners can and should be revisited. This expense should not be a burden on the City of Birmingham.

- 7. Where in our communities do you see opportunities for Birmingham government to address the inequity between people of different races, genders, and sexual orientations, and how, as a councilor, will you support policies to address these gaps?**

Birmingham government can address the inequity between people of different races, genders, and sexual orientations, understanding that single categories cannot define human lives. Having interactive community engagement, we learn from people about their lived experiences exceeding any created labels. As councilor, my commitment is to support policies to address any gaps in communities in Birmingham, with a focus on increasing racial justice and advocating eliminating anti-discrimination policies targeting the LGBTQ+ population.