



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. I am a current licensed Alabama Real Estate Agent, ordained minister, previous licensed state home builder and executive director of two non profit organizations that are geared to mentoring youth, young adults and women and job training. I am a mother of 3 college educated children and I spend my free time serving both church and community in the areas of outreach and community relations.**
- 2. Please name any endorsements you have received. I have received endorsement from “Mothers who want the violence to stop”**
- 3. What are the biggest issues in your district and how would you address those issues in your role as a councilor? The biggest issues in my area are crime and the lack of resources and access to areas of community development. As**

counselor I will partner and work closely with local churches, our police departments, non profit organizations and businesses to develop a plan and strategy to implement programs that would assist both our district and families in personal development, community development, job training, upkeep of our neighborhoods, assistance for small business owners who would be willing to bring their businesses to the areas and decrease of crime rates in our areas.

- 4. How do you think the City of Birmingham should provide economic and corporate incentives? Incentives should be provided for those who open or start business in what we deem to be low income areas for the purpose of revitalizing those areas.**
- 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? I will work with police department, city officials and neighborhood associations to develop a plan to combat crime in our areas as well as job training and access to assistance for those who are in need as this will also contribute to building moral and in essence lowering crime rates.**
- 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? Funds should be used in the areas of gun control and education, providing our city school with the necessary resources to better assist our children, education regarding the COVID vaccine and additional pop up stations to assure everyone has an opportunity to receive it and the upkeep of our communities.**
- 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? As counselor I will support policies that promote unity and equality for all, whether in business, educational arenas and our neighborhoods.**