
COUNCILMAN GOODIN'S PLAN FOR SAFE, VIBRANT NEIGHBORHOODS

In 1950, Cincinnati was home to more than 500,000 people. Today, our population stands at only 300,000. If we are to once again achieve the density and tax base of a great city, we must invest in our greatest asset – our diverse, walkable and innovative neighborhoods.

MORE AND BETTER POLICING The Cincinnati Police Department leads the nation in progressive policing thanks to the historic Collaborative Agreement which banned choke holds and racial profiling. I am fighting for **two new classes of young police recruits who will reflect the community they serve**. These officers are needed to not only address attrition and retirements, but also to foster the **old-fashioned “walk-the-beat” community policing which best protects our neighborhoods**. In order for our neighborhoods to thrive, we must continue to prioritize smart and effective public safety measures which leave citizens feeling protected and respected – **and, yes, that means funding the police**. We also must increase transparency between the Department and the community with increased access to body cam footage and better funding for the **Citizens Complaint Authority**.

PRIORITIZE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY From Northside to Westwood, from Price Hill to the East End, our neighborhoods are plagued with problem intersections, poorly-marked crosswalks and improperly-graded roads. My budget priorities include significant **street-calming projects**, enhanced **street grading**, better signage and finally embracing the **VisionZero** goals which should always inform city policy. We have lost too many Cincinnatians to our roadways.

CLEAN UP VACANT PROPERTIES The foreclosure crisis of 2009 left thousands of abandoned properties throughout the City, many of them owned by out-of-town landlords and banks. **These houses often become nuisances, blighting neighborhoods with knee-high grass and crumbling facades**. Worse, they sometimes provide cover for drug-dealing and other criminal activity. I promise to rally all of our community resources to put families back into these homes once again.

STIMULATE NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESSES DISTRICTS The pandemic brought a tremendous amount of energy to our neighborhoods. **Remote-working is here to stay, and many young families want to spend their time and discretionary income close to home**. I'm proud to have fought for millions in American Rescue Plan dollars for our neighborhood business districts, and pledge to continue the battle to grow these vital city assets.

EQUITABLE GROWTH There should be no controversy about this plain truth: **We need more residents at all income levels** to sustain our tax base. We must address our **affordable housing shortage**, particularly at 60-80 percent AMI “workforce” level. We must, at long last, adopt a regional approach, and avoid concentrating poverty in “certain” neighborhoods. We must also address the **parking and density requirements** which often hold back smart development. And we must have city personnel exclusively dedicated to shepherding neighborhood and affordable projects through the City's approval process.