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VOTE ON AUG. 23rd MOUNTAIN BROOK CITY COUNCIL SEAT #5

Having been born and raised in Mountain Brook, I love this community and want to see it thrive and prosper. I live in Brookwood Forest with my wife and our three children. Our children attend Mountain Brook Schools and are 4th generation Mountain Brook residents.

My wife, Stefanie Davis and I got involved about 10 years ago when we saw the need for a safer way for citizens to navigate the neighborhood like other areas in our community. We worked with the city and were successful in implementing a crosswalk, sidewalks and stop signs within the neighborhood, creating community and connectivity.

We learned that you have to be constantly engaged, involved and aware of what is happening in our city to be properly informed and able to form an educated opinion. It is the right we have as citizens and to have a voice one must stay up to date and attend school board and city council meetings. This involvement has led me with the personal belief to Get Involved, Be Involved, Stay Involved, Have a Voice.

From my experience of growing up and raising my family in MB, I understand the dynamics that make us special. My wife and I have spent the last 10 years attending City Council and Board of Education meetings. Through these meetings and my 22 year career in construction, I have been educated on how our city operates and how that translates to keeping our community strong.

I was employed by the city of Mountain Brook while attending Mountain Brook High School and spent three years working for the MB Parks and Recreation Department. I personally cleared, maintained and made improvements to the Jemison Trail and Irondale Furnace Trail.

I have cut grass and edged every circle, triangle, trail and baseball field within the city. I spent my weekends at the baseball complex chalking fields, hauling trash and cleaning toilets, so our community could enjoy a day at the ball field. I laid the sod that established the lower soccer fields. These are the same fields that my children and the BUSA players enjoy every season. I love this city, and this is a small example of my willingness to serve.

I bring 22 years of construction and real estate expertise to the council. Currently, there isn't much diversity on the council and there is no one with my experience. The current council members consist of attorneys, a CPA, Wealth Management Advisor and Financial Planner. The Mayor is not included in this list, but is also in Wealth Management.

I have first hand, experience and can provide insight and guidance that can help to alleviate some of the strains that our community faces today, such as flooding, updating and maintaining infrastructure, updating sidewalks, road maintenance, etc.

Two things that continue to bring people to MB are our schools and the safety of the community. We need to stay focused on our amazing Police, Fire & EMS departments and ensure their equipment and training are up to date and state-of-the-art.

It is of the utmost importance that the City Council appoints the most qualified and skilled individuals to sit on our Board of Education. The most recent appointment was in April of 2022. Despite having a large pool of candidates to choose from, the Council appointed an individual without any experience in education, our schools and does not have a child old enough to be enrolled in our school system for several years.

Additionally, we need to re-evaluate the safety of our children and teachers while on school property, as well as our overall community safety. We need to have a clear and concise emergency plan as a city. We can do this by listening to community members and collaborate together on the process of protecting our loved ones. The City Council should work with the Board of Education and the Police Department to make sure our children are as safe as possible while maintaining the highest education standards.

Athletic Fields and Complexes are being updated and are expanding, but we are still way behind our "Over the Mountain" neighbors. We need these facilities to stay competitive for both MB Athletics and MB School sports. The parents within our community are propping up our sports programs with their own money. Many of our teams are traveling to other areas of Birmingham and paying to use their facilities because of our lack of facilities. I believe organized sports are important in shaping our children. The life lessons I learned and friendships made in sports have stuck with me to this day and it started with MB Athletics. The same sentiment goes for Art and Band Programs as well.

Bottom Line, I have lived in Mountain Brook most of my life and I understand the dynamics that make us special. I have learned how our city operates and how that translates to keeping our community strong. I will make informed decisions that are in the best interest of the overall community and Mountain Brook's financial stability.