

**1. What are your top three goals for the city in the next four years (term of office)?**

My goals for the city are to first work toward bringing a positive working relationship between the council and administration. Without the ability to work together, we cannot give the citizens the type of governing they deserve. Secondly, I will work with administration in acquiring grants to help improve our infrastructure, and to improve the quality of life for all citizens; and last but not least, I will address all issues that pertain to the Third Ward, such as improving neglected properties, provide landscaping on right-of-ways to beautify the area and make sure the parks and playgrounds are safe for the children in the community.

**2. How would you foster cooperation between the City Council and Mayor?**

On my first day in office I will talk with my fellow councilmen about establishing a better working environment with the mayor's office, so we can get on with the business of taking care of the city. I plan to attend all training offered to the council and recommend that everyone else do the same. Once an understanding of the council's roll in governing is established, I believe it will make a big difference.

**3. What measures would you support to increase the city's revenue?**

I would support giving some type of tax incentive to businesses in an effort to attract them to our city. Also, I would support a very small tax rate increase or user fee increase to help generate funds for the city.

**4. List three ways you would foster support of and communication with the city's appointed commissions (Planning and Zoning, Harbor and Historic Preservation).**

1. I will attend as many of the meetings as possible.
2. I will read the minutes of the meetings when I am unable to attend and contact the boards if I have any questions regarding any actions taken at their meetings.
3. Before voting on any issues that come before the council from the appointed commissions I will invite the chairman of the board to the council meeting to make sure that the council has a clear understanding of the matter.

**5. What are your ideas for preserving our community's unique character while supporting residential and business growth?**

To preserve the community's character it is important that we are mindful of keeping residential growth and business growth separate as much as possible. In cases where residential and commercial are mixed, only soft businesses with little traffic and noise should be allowed, so as not to disturb homeowners.

**6. What actions can the city take now to maximize benefits when it becomes a stop on the future Amtrak route?**

The city can upgrade the depot grounds and add amenities to support tourists. Directional signage to the business districts can also be added.

**7. Should the city provide financial support to economic development organizations like the Hancock Chamber and Hancock County Tourism? Support your answer.**

Yes. These organizations are the biggest promoters of the businesses, events and the entire county. They play a huge roll in bringing tourists to our area.

**8. What importance do you place on proposed community amenities such as a swimming pool, additional bicycle paths and dog parks?**

It is a high priority to provide recreational resources to the citizens. Everybody deserves affordable relaxation time. It is important to provide a safe environment for citizens to work and play.

**9. What is your position on the possibility of the Hancock County Sheriff's Department managing the BSL Police Department. State the advantages and/or disadvantages you foresee.**

I believe the safety of the citizens of Bay St. Louis should remain in the hands of the BSL Police Department. The police officers work in the community and basically knows the citizens and is more capable of a quick response time to an incident within the city limits. The police department is probably 3-5 minutes away from anywhere in the city. The County already has a large area to cover and do not have the manpower to adequately cover Bay St. Louis.

**10. The number of golf carts on city streets continues to grow. How should golf cart use be regulated?**

The golf carts should be regulated like any other motor vehicle on the streets. The carts should be licensed and tagged, and the operators should be required to have driver's license and to be of legal driving age as required by law.

**11. As the city grows do you think it should consider changing its present form of government? Explain your answer. Note: The page on our Serve BSL website contains information and resources that might be helpful in answering this question.**

I think we should maintain the mayor-council form of government. This form of government provides checks and balances with no particular branch having complete power. The council controls the budget and the mayor is over operations. 'Working together', the mayor-council form of government works as well as any other form of government.