

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

1. Bring the city back to a healthier financial status.
2. Update all of the city ordinances.
3. Update the city's 2009 Comprehensive Plan. A plan that will guide our city for the next 25 years. This plan is several years overdue for updating.

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

I would stay within the duties of a city councilman but work in harmony with the mayor. Leadership and experience means progress and growth. If you can agree to disagree, the main objective can be obtained.

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

For the past 25 years, Bay St. Louis has relied on its revenues from three sources, which are gaming tax, sales tax and property tax. If we can focus on protecting the quality of life, this will keep Bay St. Louis a Place Apart. We have a diversity of people and businesses that will come, that will build and they will buy.

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

Have open communication with each member, not just the chairman.

From time to time, conduct workshops with the city council and commissioners so that all members will be on the same page.

Make sure that members that are appointed are somewhat knowledgeable of their duties, but more importantly, appoint members that are willing to have the best interest of our city.

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

Having the right ordinances in place such as Site Plan Review will keep the sense of balance between residential and commercial. Updating the site plan review ordinance is most important. This is one of the city's strongest ordinances currently in place due to the fact that I help legislate the first site plan review ordinance.

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

We want Amtrak passengers to know that Bay St. Louis is the best stop on the coast. We need to make sure that our historic depot is ready for business. The city along with the business owners within the Depot District need to make sure that the first thing that visitors see when they stop off that train is cleanliness and unique.

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

Yes, as long as it is within the city's means to financially afford to do so.

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

These types of amenities are wonderful. As long as the city can afford these types of amenities, this would be something the city should definitely consider, as long as we are living within our means.

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.

We have to keep the police department under our city. I feel that our police department is to be considered as a main heartbeat for our city and our citizens. We have a new chief of police whom I have met. I see nothing but forward progress.

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

Golf carts should meet all state regulations along with proof of insurance. This should reduce the risk of liability for the city.

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.*

After reviewing for many years the different forms of Government in the State of Mississippi, I feel that the Mayor/Alderman Form of Government is best suited for cities with the population of 20,000 or less.