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For City Charter Commission



Recent events have called attention to the need to examine City government and whether as citizens of Detroit we are well served. Our economy is drastically changing in ways that will, no doubt, re-define what we expect and what we must demand from our City government. If we want to succeed in the 21st Century global village, we need a government that is more *dynamic*, more *nimble*, and more *responsive* to the people of the City of Detroit and to the environment in which we now live. Our Charter, that was the foundation of our 20th Century government, has shown its wear in recent years and months. We need a new foundation to carry us into the 21st Century. Let's build it now!!!!

Together we can

- Make government more responsive by electing our City Council members by district
- Change the dialogue between City Council and the Mayor by balancing the power between the legislative and executive branches
- State clearly in the Charter our priorities and our expectations for our elected officials and our public servants that will define what WE expect our City government to achieve on our behalf
- Re-structure City government to address the economic, social, environmental and financial realities of the 21st Century to avoid persistent deficits that shrink City services and starve our neighborhoods

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I am running for Charter Commission because I have experience in the law, business and government and I am ready to serve.

- 20 years experience as a practicing Attorney
- Lifelong Detroit and a practicing Attorney
- Graduate of Wayne State University, BA in Political Science
- Graduate of University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, *cum laude*
- Product Coordinator for Difco Laboratories (now Becton-Dickinson)

- Former Assistant Dean and Lecturer in Law at Wayne State University Law School
- Former Director of the City of Detroit Department of Environmental Affairs – 1995 to 2005 and Co-Chair of the Detroit-Wayne County Roundtable on Sustainable Development
- Former Chair of City of Detroit Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and Member of Detroit Economic Development Corporation
- Served on State and Federal government advisory committees, including Government Advisory Committee (GAC) to the Administration of the U.S.E.P.A. under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)
- Former President and Trustee of the Municipal Waste Management Association
- Community and Professional Associations, including Member of the D. Augustus Straker Bar Association, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, University District Community Association – UDCA, former Attorney Volunteer for the Women’s Justice Center

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