Reasons for Wanting to be part of the Planning Commission

My wife and I moved to Gainesville in 1997, and have always lived on the north side of 29. We have been here to see the tremendous growth that has occurred in this area, but always yearned to move within the town limits to get more of the small-town walkable appeal that being within town limits gets.

In 2010 we had the opportunity to move into the Greenhill Crossing neighborhood, and have loved every minute of it. We have friends that come over to our house for Haymarket day, and I often walk my dog in town. We have seen the growth of this area in the 25+ years that we have been here, and even though most of it is good, there are some things that make us scratch our heads.

I would come into the town as a proponent of smart growth, and to ensure that anything new that happens within the town helps the town, but is also acceptable to the residents and infrastructure, both present, and planned for the future.

I currently work for Home Services of America (HSoA) as the Director of IT Service and Support, and would leverage my customer service standards that are in place for my team, but also be able to leverage my learnings as an employee of HSoA on the real estate side of things. I am also trained as a draftsman which allows me to understand floorplans and specifications. I will come into meetings prepared, and with a logical mindset that might force everyone (including myself) to better think things through before presenting them to the Town Council.

My wife and I have two college aged children, and do not see ourselves leaving the area anytime soon.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks,

- Dave