**Tyrone A. Williams**

**There is a direct correlation between low income rates and homeownership**. **What are your** **thoughts on reducing crime in the community?** In order to reduce crime it is imperative we help create neighborhoods where there is more homeownership. Research has shown that neighborhoods with high homeownership tend to have a greater sense of community, care for the aesthics of the neighborhood and are more vigilant. Reducing crime entails providing or creating opportunities for persons to have employment, recreation and engage in other things that will keep them off the streets and participate in neighborhood watch activities, to assist the citizens with promoting a sense of community in the neighborhood in which they live.

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**There is also a direct correlation between job growth and housing growth.** **Do you have a** **plan for attracting new businesses to the area?** Yes! My plan for attracting new businesses is attract developers or business leaders who want to invest in this city, creating partnerships with local universities and colleges, building private and public partnerships, creating opportunities to engage our youth and millennials.

**What is your definition of “Quality of Life” within a community?** My definition of “Quality of Life” is a comprehensive access to retail, entertainment, and culture arts. People having exposure to things that bring them satisfaction; things that ensure ones basic needs are being met such as food, clothing, and shelter. An opportunity for people to experience a place where they can work, play and live.

**How would you generate revenue for the city… other than property taxes?** I would generate revenue for the city by seeking grant funding of different projects, sponsorships and endowments just to name a few ideas.

**What new ideas/concepts can you bring to the office you are seeking?** The new ideas/concepts I will bring to the office are an aggressive development plan that will bring developers to the area. In addition, implement mixed-use development plan that combines retail, housing, entertainments, and businesses operating in the same space.

**Would you take REALTOR Political Action funds from the Longleaf Pines REALTORS, Inc. to help with your campaign?** Yes! If yes, do you have an open campaign account? Yes, I would take money. And yes I do have an open account entitled; The Committee to Elect Tyrone Williams.

**Please list any endorsements you have received to date**. None at this time.