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**There is a direct correlation between low crime rates and homeownership. What are your thoughts on reducing crime in the community?**

I totally agree. Since first being elected to city council in November 2007, our city has experienced impressive overall crime rate reductions because of our Police Department's creative crime fighting activities and city council funding for our Police Department's forward thinking and progressive initiatives.

When I was first elected to city council in November 2007 our Police Department's approved annual budget was $40,570,374 for some 534 employees. Since then we've systematically increased funding to our Police Department's to the tune of $53,922,421 in our current budget year for some 608 employees.

Property crime has declined over 23% in the past few years. I'll continue to support and fund our FAYPD so they can continue the excellent job their doing for our community. We need our entire Cumberland County Court System to set appropriate bond/bail rates consistent with the egregiousness of the crime. Pre-trail release monitoring should be expanded to help reduce the potential of repeat crimes while the accused are out on pre-trial release.

**There is also a direct correlation between job growth and housing growth. Do you have a plan for attracting new business to the area?**

Since being reelected in 2013 our city's unemployment rate has fallen about 3% to around 5.5%. We have more work to do. Our housing market is beginning to rebound from the 2008-2011 time period and we need it to continue on a positive path. Over the past four years we've been setting positive conditions and new businesses have been coming to Fayetteville. We need to continue setting additional positive conditions and work closely with our private partners, listen to their concerns and make adjustments when deemed appropriate. We've done a good job with incentives to bring new businesses and expand current businesses. We must continue our multipronged approach to attract additional new businesses.

**What is your definition of “quality of Life” within a community?**

My definition of "quality of life" is having an inclusive community of all races, religions and age groups where we all get along, share and respect each other's perspectives and life experiences. Having a safe community is extremely important to all of us. Having fun things for our families and neighbors to do when not working leads to a better quality of life for everyone.

**How would you generate revenue for the city… other than property taxes?**

The best way to generate new revenue for the city so the city can support it's residents is through continued economic growth, new businesses, new jobs and Fayetteville becoming a destination place. Sales tax revenue is our city's second largest revenue stream. By Fayetteville becoming a regional destination place for shopping, tourism and youth/professional sporting events we'll see exponential growth in our sales tax revenue from people visiting our city. We're making positive steps in this direction with the recent voter approved parks and recreation bond referendum and 30-year contract with the Huston Astros. If we entice a professional soccer team to locate within Fayetteville that would be an added bonus to further make Fayetteville the regional destination place we're slowly becoming.

**What new ideas / concepts can you bring to the office you are seeking?**

Most new ideas actually come from the citizens/residents of our city and surrounding communities. I'm extremely good at listening to and talking with our citizens concerning their ideas to make our community a better place to live, work and relax. I've been their "Voice at City Hall" for almost eight (8) years now. I pledge to continue being their "Voice at City Hall" and take their ideas before council and staff for consideration. We're systematically moving our city forward in a positive direction and cannot slow down.

**Would you take REALTOR Political Action funds from the Longleaf Pines REALTORS, Inc. to help with your campaign? If yes, do you have an open campaign account?**

I would be honored to receive REALTOR PAC money again if offered.

My campaign account name is “Ted Mohn for City Council”.

**Please list any endorsements you have received to date.**

At this time I have not requested nor received any corporate type campaign endorsements. I've received numerous endorsements from the citizens of Fayetteville as they encourage me to run for reelection this year.