

Attention Residents of Jackson

Please join me for a Public Town Hall meeting on July 13th from 6-6:45pm, to be held in City Council Chambers. The topic will be, the proposed 5-YEAR City Income Tax of 1.5%, the need and how my administration plans to direct our focus on the tax revenue.

I encourage anyone that has questions to attend and if you have a detailed question(s) and want to send it to me ahead of time, please email to cityadministration@jacksonohio.us.

3 years ago, I openly spoke out against the income tax, because of how utility rates were being used to support the General Fund and administrative decisions that were being made in spending.

Earlier this year we decreased the originally proposed departmental budget numbers by nearly \$2 million dollars before presenting it to City Council for approval. We have elected to not backfill positions that were vacated over the first 6 month, we are doing more in-house repairs and construction and we are getting some of the unsafe building concerns addressed, many of which have been neglected for 10 years.

While running for Mayor, my platform was change; to be financially responsible, to operate the city in a more businesslike manner and focus on areas of improvement, for example; streets, sidewalks, buildings posing health and safety concerns.

I appreciate the support you showed me at the polls and I'm now asking you to show that same support and allow me to fulfill the commitments I made. This ask is not one-sided, as you know City Council just recently removed the automatic annual 3% rate increase for Water and Sewer. I am also presenting to City Council an electric rate reduction, for city residents this reduction would be approximately 10%.

We have all been through a lot of changes and challenges this year with COVID-19 and many of those will continue for the foreseeable future, but our pride in ourselves and the City of Jackson will endure.

I'm asking you to join me in investing in the future of Jackson.

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