

## **DeKalb County Democratic Committee**

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## 2021 Municipal Elections Candidate Questionnaire (Responses) №: 5

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Name	Brian Mock
Municipality	Chamblee
Position for which you are running	Mayor
District and seat (if applicable) for which you are running. If not applicable, please type "N/A."	NA
Do you support your municipality's Nondiscrimation Ordinance (NDO)? Or, if your city does not have one, do you support passing an NDO? Please explain.	I wrote our NDO and fully support it. I'd like to strengthen it even more.
Do you believe armed police officers should be dispatched to mental health calls? Please explain.	I believe armed police should be dispatched but accompanied by a mental health professional who takes the lead role.
Do you believe citizens should be arrested for possessing small amounts of marijuana? How is your view similar or different from the current policy in your municipality? Please explain.	No. I wrote our ordinance decriminalizing an ounce or less.
The pandemic has presented unique challenges to cities in many different areas. What is your position on masking and vaccine mandates?	At this time, both should be mandated, excluding health conditions that would prohibit.
Please explain how you would address the current housing crisis at the municipal level. How would you help people who are homeless/unhoused in your city?	We have just recently assembled a task force to help us work on this, including mental health and drug addiction councilors. I don't expect we will solve homelessness, but I know we can manage it better.
What would you change about how development is being approached in your municipality? What is your position on affordable housing and making homeownership more accessible?	Affordable housing should be a built in component of any new mixed u development, especially if asking for tax incentives. And absolutely no displacement of our current workforce housing.
Do you consider the way your city government operates to be transparent, accountable, and effective? What would you change?	Absolutely transparent. It's sometimes the communication that's lackin and an area in which we need to do better.
Please give an assessment of your municipality's current infrastructure needs (roads, sidewalks, etc.). What would you change or do differently?	Many areas need sidewalks and that's something we have to work towards, as well as storm water improvements. We are working hard o paths and trails, promoting a more walkable community which in turn is less wear and tear on our roads.
Are you satisfied with the number, quality and management of trails, parks and green space in your municipality? If not, what would you change?	No. We need to renovate many of our parks, and add additional greenspace where we can. Much work to be done if we want the top parks in our area.
Please list, in order, your top 3 priorities or things you would like to accomplish, should you be elected or re-elected.	A vibrant downtown with hotels and entertainment, a destination if you will. Celebrating all of our diversity and cultures by making sure they to have a decent quality of life. Trails, trails, trails. Homelessness. Housing affordability. Aging in place.

