

CITY OF NORTH CHARLESTON

CITY COUNCIL, DISTRICT 5

Todd Olds (I): NO RESPONSES

Jerome Heyward: NO RESPONSES

1.) One of Charleston Moves' top priorities is our Ashley River Crossing — Bridge Package proposal, for which the City of Charleston, the City of North Charleston and Charleston County would commit to work together on a plan, along with other relevant agencies, to make the North Bridge, the Ashley River Bridge, the James Island Connector and the Wappoo Cut Bridge safe for all modes of transportation. If elected, how will you support Charleston Moves' Bridge Package proposal, specifically as it relates to the North Bridge connection?

Althea Hall White: Our roads and bridges must connect not only our communities but the people who live work and play there. We must have a council that will move us into the 21st century and beyond with consideration for STEMS and emerging technologies with consideration for conserving and expanding our natural resources for future generations. I will support the package.

2.) Lowcountry Rapid Transit is planned to connect Summerville and downtown Charleston, via Rivers Avenue, by 2025. What do you think needs to happen during this planning phase to ensure the project's success?

White: There should be greater community engagement. 1. We need to fix our current roads and drainage problems. 2. Test Ridership on already established park and ride bus routes. This might be a good start to begin building data to support the plan. 3. Comparative studies of other major cities successes and failures. Rapid transit would work well in this city if we plan now. Planning growth for our City without transportation is a recipe for failure.

3.) Please list your priority transportation projects and which modes each serve.

White: My priority transportation project for the communities I will serve are: improving streets, roads and bridges, over passes, signage, traffic lights, paving, re-paving streets and railway crossings. This will improve all modes of transportation for all constituents of the district .

4.) Please explain your thoughts on the principle of induced demand.

White: Induced demand is created when communities are built without consideration for transportation. Bigger is not always better as more does not always solve the problem but may exacerbate it. Transportation is no exception.

5.) What are your personal transportation values and how you would lead on transportation issues if elected?

White: I would lead by recommending the use of alternative fuel vehicles for all city departments, provide incentives for employees who rideshare to work.

6.) If elected, would you support a greater annual funding allocation from your municipality for bike, pedestrian and public transit infrastructure? And, will you lobby SCDOT to increase their spending on bike, pedestrian and public transit infrastructure as well?

White: Yes! Public Transportation, Walking, biking, cycling, or driving should never end in death.