

Doug Foust

1. Yes or no, do you agree that there should be no significant new traffic introduced into the Colonial Hills neighborhood? How will you ensure this in the future?

Yes, I wholly agree. The greatest concern (and most obvious) is the disposition of the old Harding property. I raised this concern four years ago during the campaign; Harding is Colonial Hill's version of UMCH with all of the potential to substantially damage the character of the neighborhood. I would allow NO opportunity for connection/cut-through to 161. There may need to be some accommodation of school busses if the discussion regarding a new Colonial Hills Elementary gets legs, but otherwise no automotive traffic should pass.

2. What improvements to Colonial Hills do you propose?

I'd like to see further improvement and investment in Selby Park and the shelter house as well as Indianola.

3. How do you propose to upgrade the water system in Worthington?

The City CIP has a plan for waterline (and sewer) replacement, but clearly the status in Colonial Hills has reached a breaking point so to speak. The City Engineer has a plan and allocation for a study that will help with reprioritization of water projects. However, we will not see results from that for quite a while. As a Council member and former Colonial Hills homeowner, I recognize the need for stepped up action in light of recent events.

4. How would you diversify and stabilize the revenue stream in the City of Worthington?

Jobs are the heart of our income, comprising nearly 3/4 of the budget. We need to continue expanding the east corridor of Wilson Bridge and look for ways to incentivize distant owners of much of the West Wilson Bridge industrial park area to bring their dated office space up a grade or two. We can also continue reinvestment in Huntley and Proprietors Road properties. There is some concern over Anthem, but what has happened there was inevitable. I manage a healthcare consortium that is their largest customer and I know the situation well. They had 300 people in a building that used to house 8-900. They had to either redevelop and sublet, or move. They chose the latter. When the building is refilled, it will generate more than it did before, ultimately improving our situation. As for diversification, I would not propose any additional taxes, so our options are limited.