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Q1 Please enter your name.

Matthew P. Clements

Q2 What is the most important affordable housing issue in your community?

Rental housing	Most important priority
Affordable homeownership	Top priority but not the most important
Senior housing	Top priority but not the most important
Critical repairs	Top priority but not the most important
Mobile homes	Top priority but not the most important
Permanent housing for homeless	Top priority but not the most important

Q3 Should local government provide more money, level funding, or less money to support affordable housing in your community? If you said level or less, why? If you said more, how much more AND how do you plan to achieve this?

About the same amount of money

Please provide an explanation for your response.:

Our current municipal zoning approval getting either payments to an affordable housing fund or providing a percentage of affordable housing has been a failure in my opinion. Our local governments need to look at options to rezone areas for apartments, condominiums, townhouses and duplexes. Accessory dwelling units restrictions also have to be removed. Use the affordable housing funds to incentivise development of low rental cost, high quality and durability housing - especially in conjunction with Section 8 Federal programs.

Q4 Utilizing surplus government-owned land is an important tool for creating affordable housing. What are some parcels of public land you think should be made available for affordable housing? Are there any parcels that should not be?

I am not familiar with any surplus government owned land in the Carrboro area that would be available for affordable housing. Ideally the government would not be in charge of owning and running public housing because of the decades of mismanagement and terrible 'customer' service.

2019 Candidate Survey on Affordable Housing

Q5 What is one local example of an affordable housing program or development that you think worked well? Please explain why you think that was successful and how you will support more of these successes in the future.

I support Habitat for Humanity and other programs to help affordable home ownership. We need to reduce resistance in neighborhoods for charitable projects. We need to have a broader base of affordable entry level apartments, townhouses, mobile home parks and other options for the people who work on campus in our communities.

Q6 How would you ensure that people who have been affected by the lack of affordable housing have a "seat" at decision-making tables about the future development of affordable housing in our community?

We need to have outreach to the families and non-profits that assist with affordable housing and homelessness. It is very difficult to have a voice and attend meetings, forums or other opportunities when you are more worried about where your next meal is coming from or how you are going to find your next rent bill. Our politicians need to ensure that our government does not pick and choose winners and losers and support all residents.
