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Career: Farming, 1980-1990

United Church Ministry 1990- 2013

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Position Applied For: City Councillor, Ward 7

Why are you running for City Council?

Brandon has been a great place to live for me. I have enjoyed the people, the many opportunities and services available here. At the same time, I have talked to many residents that are facing challenges in our city. I want Brandon to be all that it can be for all of us who live here. That is why I am running for City Council in Ward 7.

It is easy to stir up excitement by talking about growth; how growth will bring opportunity and prosperity. In reality, not every bigger city is a great place to live. I believe we should focus on growing better. Then growing bigger will, to some extent, take care of itself as we become a more attractive option to new business and residents.

Growing better has many facets. It means ensuring sufficient affordable housing in our development mix. It means making viable transportation options available for more people. It means responsible financial, infrastructure and development planning. It means respecting natural ecosystems and adopting green technologies which can lower City costs while reducing our carbon footprint. It means respect and inclusion for every part of Brandon's cultural mosaic. For Ward 7 maybe growing better means appropriate retail, services or community centers embedded conveniently within our neighbourhoods.

There are many other ways in which our city can grow better. Many years of experience in ministry and counselling, in community engagement and service has prepared me to listen carefully to what "growing better" means to you. That is crucial for a good city councillor. Growing a better city takes hearing every good idea and then all of us working together to make it happen. It is an exciting prospect to be part of that process on your City Council.