A COMMUNITY COMMITTED TO PLANNED AND MANAGED GROWTH

- 1. Support local and state efforts to have a comprehensive management plan and funding mechanism to fortify and stabilize vulnerable shoreline areas on the Georgia coast.
- 2. Expansion of Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LITHC) program to include infill housing. Individuals who qualify for this existing state credit for qualified rental properties would also be able to apply for this credit for infill housing in the city of Brunswick.
- 3. Expansion of Georgia Dream Homeownership Program. The availability of this homeownership program and broadening of program qualifications in Glynn County would provide more opportunities for individuals and/or families to achieve homeownership.
- 4. Support local community efforts to ensure MSA designation stays intact under current law.
- 5. Support additional funding for Pre-K programs.
- 6. Support funding to create affordable housing and workforce housing initiatives for public service employees, like police officers and educators, especially in downtown Brunswick. The development of affordable and safe workforce housing will increase the number of residents living in unoccupied areas which will spark revitalization and beautification initiatives in the city of Brunswick.
- 7. We oppose legislation that limits local decision making regarding the development of architectural design standards, building codes that improve resilience in areas with unique hazards, and zoning. These decisions are best left to communities.

A DESIRED LOCATION TO LIVE AND VISIT



- 1. Support funding for Jekyll Island Authority capital improvement.
- 2. Support the current Certificate of Need (CON) Program to help support hospitals.
- 3. Support efforts to ensure that affordable health insurance coverage is available to our citizens.
- 4. Support funding to create programs to address systemic poverty and homelessness
- 5. Support funding initiatives to combat chronic blight.

Working together to make Brunswick and the Golden Isles an exceptional place to live, work, and visit by strengthening our communities and by enhancing the quality of life.

It is our goal to ensure Brunswick and Glynn County remain a:

Safe Community

Prosperous Community

Community Committed to Managed Growth

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2023 TOP PRIORITY: WORKFORCE AND EDUCATION

Secure funding for Coastal Pines Technical College Brunswick Campus expansion. The proposed project is for the design and construction of a Business and Technology Center and will accommodate programmatic needs identified to support local industry. The project is keeping with the College's Facilities Master Plan.

Secure funding for College of Coastal Georgia campus expansion to support the nursing and hospitality employee shortage. The proposed project is for the design and expansion of the Hugh and Miriam Nunnally Health and Science Building to accommodate the needed growth of the College's nursing program to meet the nursing shortage in the state of Georgia.



A SAFE COMMUNITY

- 1. Support Glynn County's request for a regional Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in the case of a catastrophic event. We are seeking state support for an EOC that can be used by multiple entities throughout the coastal region should they need to evacuate their EOC because of a catastrophic event.
- 2. Support funding for the implementation of traffic calming processes to make the Bay Street corridor pedestrian friendly. By installing traffic calming devices to include a pedestrian bridge, citizens and visitors will be provided a safe mode for pedestrian travel.
- 3. Support for EPA/EPD initiatives and Brownfield clean-up projects. Resources will provide remedies for the redevelopment of impacted real estate. Funding will also provide the necessary resources to ensure public safety and future economic development in these affected areas.
- 4. Support state bond investment in bridges and maintain or increase earmarked funding for local bridges. County officials rely on asset management data provided by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) to prioritize the use of limited infrastructure funding for repairing and replacing these structures.
- 5. Guarantee Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) maintains current traffic flow on Sea Island Road while the bridge over Dunbar Creek is being replaced. The closing of Sea Island Road affects businesses, residents, guests, and especially Glynn County School System transportation. Much of our community workforce utilizes Sea Island Road as a major means of transportation to and from work.
- 6. Support funding to address Sea Level Rising (SLR) projects.
- 7. Support funding for mental health crisis in Georgia and homelessness in Glynn County. This support should include more practitioners and facilities that are accessible to the community.

A PROSPEROUS COMMUNITY

- 1. Continue to support funding for transportation projects in Glynn County to enhance economic development opportunities and evacuation routes.
 - SSI Gateway project and partnership with GDOT and City of Brunswick.
 - For St. Simons Island Causeway and Entrance/Exit point. This is a significant traffic issue for citizens trying to get to work on St. Simons Island and Sea Island. It also serves as a choke point during evacuations. Glynn County would like to partner with GDOT on this project and possibly combine with their plans to upgrade the Mackay River Bridge. In addition, Glynn County would like to work with GDOT and the city of Brunswick to address flooding issues on the FJ Torras Causeway, during King Tides and Tropical Storms/Hurricanes. Now that this SPLOST project is approved, we need commitment from GDOT and assistance to mitigate challenges related to potential federal/state environmental issues.
 - Bay Street project: This is an important project for both the city of Brunswick and Glynn County. Glynn
 County advocates for traffic processes to make Bay Street a pedestrian friendly corridor and enhancements to
 the Brunswick waterfront.
 - Dunbar Creek Bridge replacement: Glynn County needs to ensure the plan for this project and the scope of work allows for traffic routes to remain open on Sea Island Road. This road is a major artery for traffic moving to the North end of St. Simons Island and to the entrance to Sea Island. This road cannot afford to be closed while the project is being completed. It will cause Frederica Road to become gridlocked as the only exit route for citizens in this area.
 - GDOT partnership on roadways in North Glynn: Glynn County is asking for GDOT support on the following roads for traffic improvements, evacuation routes and safety improvements: Glynco Parkway, Canal Road (both sides) and Perry Lane Road (to include bridge replacement).
- 2. Continue to support and fund rural broadband expansion: Create a robust funding program for investments into Georgia's Airports for Economic and Capital Developments as recommended by the Georgia Legislature Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements.
- 3. Amend the Taxpayer Bill of Rights to allow for plain language. State-required advertising language has created confusion amongst the public when taxing authorities are setting the millage rate.
- 4. Protect Georgia's Lodging Tax from redirection. Support the current State accommodation tax laws that provide funding to Destination Marketing Organizations (DMO) as an essential means of promoting tourism and apply the laws equally to those providing accommodations in the state.
- 5. Support expansion of the Port of Brunswick to include funding for a Hazmat Response Team.
- 6. Support and fund key improvements of the main State entrance gateways along I-95 corridor. Support Glynn County's efforts to beautify and enhance the four major exit ramps off I-95 and create a better sense of arrival for our visitors and investors.
- 7. Support legislation that provides enhanced funding to communities impacted by regional projects and economic development incentives to regional economic development entities.
- 8. Support funding for infrastructure improvement to locally owned industrial sites.

