

1. I have decided to run for City Council Election because I feel a calling that this is the next step in my life. That there is a need for a fresh set of eyes. A downtown business owner's perspective. An honest leader in the community that wants transparency and is not afraid to listen and ask questions for her community.
2. A few key competencies that I possess to be an elected official are I'm a Mother in the community so that means that I have investments in Brenham's future and I know how to listen and explain. I am a Business owner so I know how to manage people, employees find solutions that are within a budget. I know how to not go over a budget. I'm a leader I know how to communicate with others and be transparent of what's going on to help the unknown, be informed.
3. My background in financial management would be that I have been a successful business owner for the last 3 years in Brenham, I have navigated my way through COVID and never closed as a business. Among that still found ways to donate food to children and essential workers during the pandemic without it hurting my financial numbers. My ability to be an effective leader and communicator shows through my work over the past few years. I have quickly put together free lunches for our youth when COVID hit our school districts. I have helped put together events between businesses for our community to not only enjoy but help Brenham with financial gain by attracting tourism. I am on many boards and committees in the community currently acting as a voice and communication line between our city, county, and boards. I am a hard working woman, I have worked since I was 14 and understand personally what labor means. My shoes are always on the pavement. I believe in being hands on in everything I do as should we all should if we are leaders. As a business owner today and a sales manager in many times I know how to carefully handle HR situations the correct way.
4. I think one issue currently effecting our local economic growth is our stagnant city council. We have had positions filled for way over 2 terms and I believe this has caused a halt in the progression of Brenham's economic growth. How can we continue to see change or growth when we have the same set of eyes sitting in one position for over 8 years? It's time for a change. It's time to for a "fresh set of eyes, someone with a new perspective"
5. As a small business owner I believe I can help other small businesses understand how and where to ask questions to stay informed on what's happening, what the future looks like and ask them "what do you see Brenham needs as a small business"? Ask them "what we can do as a city to help you"? Communication is key!
6. The communication between the city and county is HUGELY important to me. We are a community, we are only going to grow by unity and partnership as all things in life. I think we can improve this relationship by getting more involved with each other. Sitting in with each other on projects or planning. Have creative meetings together. Again, open line of communication.

7. If I'm elected a project that would be a primary focus for me of the many I have would be building a better partnership between all of our city departments. I will work on the rebuilding the trust of our community by being transparent on what's happening and help push the priority of agenda items that will help improve the safety of Brenham since we are growing quicker than many of us realize.

8. What I would do to continue to help the local economy grow and evolve is continue finding ways to draw tourism to Brenham like events or festivals. Reasons to have people stay overnight and fall in love with Brenham and think "I want to live here" I want to help businesses understand why Brenham is a wonderful town to start up in. I love Brenham and we are growing so let's find the best ways to adapt and adopt these changes and growth for the better of Brenham.