

In response to a question from the Tri-County News;

First I want to thank everyone who has been a part of the government of the City of Elmwood for his or her contributions to our community. The people who contribute to making local government function are so important to people's lives, but rarely garner much interest and involvement by voters. Citizens certainly do not offer much support and positive involvement on a day-to-day basis. The current city government has had to navigate some rough waters and everyone should be grateful for their efforts.

My emphasis is on the next four years because that is what this election is about. I think the voters as they approach this election must decide who would do the best job of using the office of Mayor of Elmwood to improve the future of Elmwood. I want to operate in open dialog with all our citizens. I want everyone in Elmwood to vote.

My highest priority would be to bring together all the people and resources of this community. Elmwood needs an effective method of promoting Elmwood; we need to improve our presence on the Internet. We could do a much better job of telling our story and introducing ourselves to the outside world if we coordinated our Internet presence. It would be more efficient in the terms of money and time. It would improve our communication between ourselves and help bring new people and businesses to Elmwood. We must concentrate on making our existing businesses more profitable. Existing business is sometimes overlooked in economic development efforts.

I will use every working hour of everyday to help make connections to advance Elmwood. I will be in open communication with our citizens on the web, Facebook, Twitter, and email. I can be available for an appointment or meeting almost every day. I am dedicated to treat advancing Elmwood as a full time job. I have the right personality, technical talents, academic background, and local government experience to be the best person for this job for the next four years.

Elmwood needs steady growth to continue as a viable community. We need someone who can pull our resources, people, and organizations together in a coordinated fashion to save money and increase our effectiveness in these efforts. We need a leader who can do this in open dialog with the community of Elmwood uniting all of us in common cause. Elmwood must exemplify the old patriotic lesson of *e pluribus unum*.

These are my main reasons for running for the office of Mayor of the City of Elmwood. Anyone with comments or questions may email me [steve@elmwoodil.org](mailto:steve@elmwoodil.org) also anyone may get in touch on the Steve Davis for Mayor Facebook Page, my candidacy web page on [www.elmwoodil.org](http://www.elmwoodil.org) ,and @elmwoodilorg on Twitter

Thank you for your time and interest in Elmwood's future. Steve Davis