



Omaha Together One Community (OTOC) Report Card

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District 3 Candidate D'Shawn Cunningham

 <h3>Safe Rental Housing</h3>	 <h3>Comingling of Yard Waste</h3>
<p>Will you make sure <u>all rental housing meets basic housing safety codes</u>?</p> <p>YES, My answer to the first question is yes and I would support the landlord registry.</p> <p>As a citizen, I have been In circumstances like you've mentioned, mice in the wall. I've rented from slumlords and what I did was went to the city, got the inspectors out. I also did this for neighbors in my building and for people in the Gifford Park neighborhood who had had problems with slumlords, so that's something that's been very key to my campaign.</p> <p>Another thing, when it comes to keeping the properties from going derelict, we currently spend millions on luxury apartments, specifically in my district, in midtown, and I'm very much against that. I feel some of that money can be put back into properties, specifically rental properties, to keep them up to code, and we can do things to stop landlords from renting out of compliance and I think there should be stricter fines and penalties at the city level for that.</p>	<p>Will you assure <u>future waste management contracts have transparent bidding process</u> with opportunity for public comment?</p> <p>YES, absolutely yes</p> <p>Do you support immediately <u>returning to the existing contract with Waste Management?</u></p> <p>I support separate trash pickups for a lot of the same reasons you've heard. It does create environmental problems, when we commingle our trash.</p> <p>Beyond that I think when it comes to the contract, ultimately what I would have preferred have it be is trash pickup be a division of the City. Have it be a public department. Trash pickup is a public utility and right now currently leaving these contracts up for private bids we don't get the best service so I think beyond just renewing the contract or re-negotiating the contract we need to look out what does it take to make trash pick up a public utility.</p>
 <h3>Police Immigrants/Refugees</h3>	 <h3>Limiting Pay Day Lending</h3>
<p>Should <u>Omaha Police Department continue current practices</u> and not act as Immigration Agents ?</p> <p>YES.</p> <p>How would you <u>make immigrants/refugees feel welcome</u>?</p> <p>I was incarcerated recently in a federal facility. About half the inmates were detainees. They were working men that had had careers and been here for decades. From rural Nebraska. They were arrested and waiting to be deported.</p> <p>I support the police department doing community policing.</p>	<p>Will you work with OTOC to get the <u>Unicameral</u> to adopt <u>reasonable limits on Pay Day Lenders</u>?</p> <p>YES.</p> <h3>Greatest Priority for City Council</h3> <p>Since 2011 I have worked on issues of police oversight and accountability. I wrote the first budget and proposal for on body camera. In three years OPD will be the first department to have 100% coverage.</p> <p>I live in Midtown where there is a glut of tax increment financing. Since 2000 we have spent \$350 Million subsidizing mostly luxury apartments. I have a huge problem with that.</p> <p>We don't have a glass recycling center and need it.</p>