

BRENDAN DOYLE

PERSONAL STATEMENT – Brendan Doyle

1) Why do you wish to serve on the Ohio City Incorporated Board of Trustees?

I have served on the Ohio City Incorporated Board of Trustees for six (6) years (two terms) and believe that, while we have already accomplished much, there is still much more work to do to improve our neighborhood. During my time on the Board, I have served on the Safety Committee, under the leadership of Helen Smith, and as Chair of the Governance Committee.

I am proud of the work of the Safety Committee to, among other initiatives, fund and place an army of safety cameras around the neighborhood to prevent crime and to catch those responsible for committing crimes in our neighborhood. Video from the safety cameras has been used as evidence in criminal prosecutions and they have a proven record of success. As Chair of the Governance Committee, I am proud that we recommended creating a Board seat dedicated to a resident of a CMHA property in the Ohio City, Inc. service area. This important perspective was sorely lacking on the Board and it had been a longtime goal of the Governance Committee to create this Board seat. I am also proud as Governance Committee Chair that, after a period of members and vacancies, we now have all but one of our Board seats filled. This was an enormous accomplishment for the Governance Committee and involved a lot of time and effort by the members.

I am very proud of the work that the Ohio City Incorporated Board of Trustees has done since I was elected to the Board six (6) years ago. If I have the honor of being reelected, I hope to continue our community's important work.

2) In what ways do you feel your strengths, knowledge, skills, and experience will help Ohio City Incorporated further its mission?

I have lived in the Ohio City neighborhood for thirteen (13) years and, in that time, I believe that I have gotten to know our neighborhood and my neighbors well and have an understanding of the issues that are important to our community. Furthermore, I believe that my background as an attorney has helped as the Board critically analyzes the various issues that come before it.

3) Describe your involvement in Ohio City and/or non-Ohio City neighborhood organizations, include Ohio City Incorporated-sponsored committees, projects, or block clubs, if applicable.

While living in the neighborhood, I have tried to be involved in many of the organizations and projects that help to make Ohio City so special.

I am a long-time member of the Bridge/Carroll/Jay Block Club and for several years served as vice president of the organization. I have volunteered for the Station Hope event at St. John's Church and for the Ohio City Street Festival. I have also volunteered at the food pantry at St. Malachi Catholic Church.