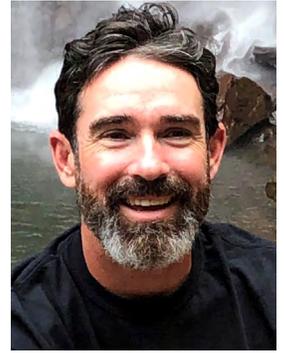


COUNTY COMMISSION - DISTRICT 5 BRANDON NUTT



1. Why are you running for this position?

To serve the residents of district 5 and let their voices and concerns be heard! I am constantly talking with my neighbors and other residents in my district, and we all have the same major concerns: rapid uncontrolled growth in our rural area, and infrastructure (especially our roads) I would like the opportunity to do whatever is possible to deal with these concerns. I have lived and worked here for the last 15 years, and I have come to know a lot of our residents through many different avenues such as work and church and local events. I love this place that my family and I call home and I would love the chance to be a positive influence to make our county the best that it can be.

2. What specific experience and qualifications do you have that make you the ideal candidate for this position?

I have spent the last 20 years working with people in their homes as a residential remodeling contractor. I love getting to know people and listening to their wants and needs. Its my job! That's the only way to achieve the desired results, is for me to listen, to be transparent and to be extremely communicative throughout the entire process. That's the only way I know how to work and do business, and I will carry that into my work as a county commissioner.

3. What do you see as the top 3 priorities for Maury County and how do you plan to contribute to accomplishing those priorities?

*Controlled growth * Infrastructure first * Residents before developers.

We need to, as a county, make sure that we have a well thought out short term and long-term plan when it comes to growth. We are one of the fastest growing counties in the state, and when that happens its very easy for things to happen too fast, and in the wrong order. The infrastructure needs must be dealt with first. If we need to slow down on some of the building and projects to make wider and safer roads and make sure we have adequate power water and sewer systems in place, then that's the right thing to do. We, the residents of the 5th district and Maury County are the ones that live and work and play here. This is our home, and this is where we live life together. I want to protect the wants and needs of us over the out-of-town developers. Their job is to come into a new state/county/city and make big money. Then they go on to the next one. If its not done right, then we the residents are left to deal with the mess of poor infrastructure and overcrowding. It is so much easier to do things right the first time. I know this very well from my career in remodeling! I will be a voice to stand up for these priorities.

4. How do you plan to work collaboratively with each municipality to ensure the decisions being made are in the best interest of Maury County as a whole?

The key here is to start with open communication. Many times, that doesn't happen and then people get frustrated and overwhelmed from a lack of knowledge and understanding. I will do my best to make sure that there are open lines of communication regarding what each municipality is doing, what they plan to do, and most importantly, what they can and can't do so that way there is no assumptions of, "I thought that they were handling that, not us?!" We need to make sure that we are striving together to make sure we are meeting the needs of the residents of Maury County first.

- 5. Maury County is one of the fastest growing counties in the state and country. This tremendous growth will require new and improved infrastructure (i.e., schools, roads, water, etc.). How do you plan to provide these infrastructure improvements, including any required funding?**

I believe that a great place to start is that growth pays for growth! I am not opposed to growth or new developments, but they must be appropriate for the area they are to be built in, and the developers themselves need to pay for the costs of necessary infrastructure improvements. It just makes sense. We need to have a county budget that covers all of our needs without unnecessary debt incurred just because we didn't require the developers to do their part up front. I also believe that its ok to make specific requirements or to even say no to some new growth if it is not what's best for the County and the residents in the long term. I know there are many pieces to this puzzle and its not a simple answer, but I also know that we can make smart decisions that will be what's best for us, and I am not afraid to be that voice to make a stand and protect our wants and needs as residents. Most everyone wants growth that is smart and well planned, with little to no debt, while keeping our taxes low. No one wants unimproved roads, overcrowded areas, short- staffed schools and inadequate utility systems.

- 6. How do you define thoughtful and sustainable growth in Maury County?**

It is well planned, thoroughly communicated, and in the best interest of our needs and quality of life. It all comes back to having everything planned out and in the right place before moving forward on a new project and creating problems and issues that will need to be addressed in the future. If every piece of land is developed and every new project is approved just simply based on wanting growth, then we will find ourselves in a very bad position very quickly, and it will not be easy to fix. We do not want to go from the most desirable place to live in the state to the worst in a few short years just because of poor planning leading to all sorts of long-term issues.

- 7. Quality education and a diverse workforce are vital for the successful growth of Maury County and its municipalities. If elected, how would you improve these areas?**

Smart planning and controlled growth will lead to the continued desirability of Maury County as a great place to live and work. This will bring in the necessary work force. Quality education can best be achieved by having appropriate wages for educators, and by making building developers pay for their share of the cost burden for new schools that will be needed for new residents.

- 8. How do you plan to communicate with, and be available to, your constituents?**

I have a website: brandonnuttdistrict5.com. My email is brandonnuttdistrict5@outlook.com. And my facebook page is [@brandonnuttdistrict5](https://www.facebook.com/brandonnuttdistrict5). You can also find me on the nextdoor app.

- 9. What does a successful term look like to you?**

A successful term is one where I follow through on the things that I set out to accomplish and have discussed throughout these questions. Following through on doing my best, and my part to make Maury County the best place to live in Tennessee.

- 10. If elected, how do you plan to partner with the Maury County Chamber & Economic Alliance to make Maury County the best place to live and work?**

I will do my best to make myself open and available to work with and alongside the Maury County Chamber. Together and united, I know that we can accomplish much. I look forward to all the different ways that we can unite and work together to make this County great! Thank you very much for asking me to participate in this questionnaire, and I humbly ask for your vote in district 5 this August 4th.

**COUNTY COMMISSION - DISTRICT 6
JASON BLACKSTOCK**

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