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A year ago, I only hoped to have the opportunity to serve District 6. It has been a blessing to meet so many of you and listen to what you think about our district and the issues each of us faces. I truly appreciate you allowing me to represent you.

This past summer, we saw more rain than many of us have ever seen. This caused problems for all of Tuscaloosa. We have made strides to repair infrastructure damaged from these rains and are starting projects that should keep us from having many of those problems in the future.

During the campaign last year, I made several promise. I promised I would answer your calls and return any call I missed. I have been able to do this. While I may not have been able to fix your particular problem, please know, I have made every effort to answer your calls, messages and emails.

A big issue last year was what is called Lift Station 42, next to the Dollar General on Hargrove Road East. While we haven't replaced this, there is \$3 million in the budget to get this done.

We have gotten \$350,000 to repair the pool at Bowers Park. I look forward to seeing this open Memorial Day weekend. A great thank you to the Mayor and the council for helping with this.

I have been involved with helping the owner of the new Mexican Restaurant, Azul Tequila at exit 77 to get his business up and working. I am working to get even more businesses

for our District. This is our first new restaurant in some time. Please go by and see Angelo for a great meal.

I am excited that the 32nd Ave E drainage project is being planned and should start soon. This has been needed for some time. I look forward to seeing the difference this makes.

Many of you have noticed new road paving around District 6. I hope to see more soon.

Public Safety is a major issue for all of us. In the next few months, we should have plans in place to build our new Fire Station that was at the VA. The station at Woodland Forrest recently got a new ladder truck that is state of the art. We have a great Fire Department. These men and women are true professionals and work around the clock for all of us.

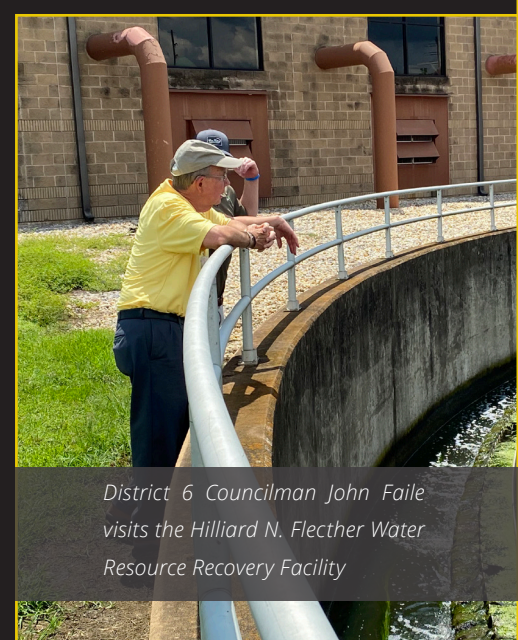
I get questioned about the violence we see in our community. Talking with the leaders of our Police Department and those men and women on the streets, I know they are doing all they can to keep us safe. This violence is all over our nation. We should not take it for granted at all. Character should be taught in our homes as well as our schools. We all have a role to play. Please be in prayer for all those dealing with this crime in our city.

I have toured all the facilities where our city employees work. I continue to be impressed with ALL our city employees. It is a difficult job to see that we have the cleanest drinking water possible and that our trash and garbage is picked up on a regular basis. So much goes on in the

background. These men and women are working hard to get it right, and when there is a mistake, I have seen them correct it. Not one of us is perfect, but I know the goal of our employees is to get it right.

Please join volunteers to help clean some streets in our district. Environmental Services will be there with all the tools needed. We need your help and suggestions on where to clean. We can do this! Meet us at 8 AM at Neighborhood Wal-Mar grocery Saturday morning May 14. WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

As we go forward, know I am available at my email jfaile@tuscaloosa.com or 205-754-4721. We are all in this together and we can do so much more working together.



District 6 Councilman John Faile visits the Hilliard N. Fletcher Water Resource Recovery Facility