

NORTH COLLEGE HILL

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Letter from your new North College Hill Mayor

Amy Bancroft



Hello fellow residents of North College Hill. My name is Amy Bancroft and on December 26th I was chosen to complete the remainder of former Mayor Brooks' term. I'm honored and humbled to serve in this capacity for the next two years. I was previously elected to City Council, beginning service on January 1st 2012. Prior to that time I was appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals in 2010.

My husband and I selected North College Hill as our home in 2006. We moved here from Chicago to be closer to our families. After growing up in Marietta, Georgia, I earned a degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Illinois. I have been a land use planner in West Michigan and more recently in Colerain Township. I have also worked with the City of Chicago as an AmeriCorps volunteer and for Lutheran Disaster Response.

I have two daughters, 6 and 9, who attend North College Hill Elementary. For the past two years my husband and I made it a point to take an active role in the community through volunteering. I volunteer twice a week at North College Hill Elementary teaching character education. If you have a second or third grade child, they may know me as Ms. Amy or my husband Mr. Thorton. I find that in these character lessons I often learn something too; there is always room for one to improve. I am an ardent supporter of public schools. We volunteer with North College Hill Say Soccer as well.

My main hobby is running. As I sit here and think about it my running is a great analogy of how I believe my time with the city has been so far, and most likely will continue over the next couple of years. Some years I run slower. Some years I run faster. Quite literally I sometimes turn the wrong way, and take a detour but with persistence I reach the finish line ahead. I enjoy the accomplishment of reaching my destination and goals.

The challenges we face as a city persist and will require us all to make an effort to participate in the capacity we are able with our own talents and skills. I believe together we can achieve our community's potential and reach the goals we have.

Information about community activities and updates will be available on the City's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/cityofnorthcollegehill> and an upcoming revamped website. All residents will continue to receive a City newsletter twice a year, but it will be looking different! I also plan to have significant community outreach, so I will hopefully get to know many of you better.

I have evening and weekend office hours and am open to hear your concerns. I am available by email at abancroft@northcollegehill.org and postal mail addressed to my attention at 1500 W. Galbraith Rd. Sheryl Long is my Assistant and is available during regular business hours to answer questions and schedule you to meet with me. She can be reached at 513.521.7413 Ext 100.

I look forward to hearing from you in the future and am honored to serve as your new Mayor.

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