

What is vision?

Vision is inheriting a half-million dollar deficit and another half-million in debts, and finding ways to turn a deficit into a surplus -- while increasing services to taxpayers.

Our city looks better. When I became Mayor, the War Memorial was run down -- hardly a fitting memorial to the sacrifices of our veterans. Our housing stock had been ignored, and many homes were unfit for people to live in. Our playgrounds were closed, because there supposedly wasn't money enough to run them. People had given up on "The City With A Future".

Here's what we did:

- ✓ We acquired more grants from the state and federal government than any administration in history. That money was poured into our neighborhoods, fixing up 66 structures.
- ✓ We scrapped the state's antiquated housing code and wrote our own. This year alone, we tore down many unfit structures. The state says our new housing code is a model for other communities.
- ✓ We trimmed spending to get our playgrounds open. We combined grants and volunteer labor to make the War Memorial a showplace, build a beautiful pavilion at Bullhead Point, and fix up neighborhood eyesores.

Our city runs better. When I became Mayor, more than half of our water and sewer lines were antiques, our public works equipment was old and broken down, and we needed improvement in virtually every area of city services. These problems may not have been visible, but people felt their presence. This city ran poorly, and that affected everyone.

Here's what we did:

- ✓ We rented paving equipment and revamped work crews. It allowed us to pave more miles of streets in the last two years than in the ten years before that -- at a lower cost per mile.
- ✓ We secured a huge grant to aid us in rebuilding our eroding water and sewer lines. One result is that West First Street is fully rebuilt -- new water lines, new pavement, new curbs -- a year ahead of schedule!
- ✓ We computerized our city departments. Now, critical information is at our fingertips -- speeding the resolution of crises, and preventing many others. The result: City services are more efficient for you.

In four years, we've gone from deficits and despair to surpluses and stability. Give me two more years -- and a Democratic Common Council -- and here's what I'll do:

- ✓ Develop the Canal for tourism and jobs
- ✓ Keep taxes stable until the year 2000
- ✓ Beautify our main highway corridor
- ✓ Preserve our jobs and attract new jobs



That's Vision

Re-elect Mayor Don Bullard
And Elect A Democratic
Fulton Common Council

The Vision To Lead Fulton Into The Next Millenium

