

CITY COUNCIL

October 18, 2021

Mayor Jordan and Councilmembers Via Kara Paxton, City Clerk

Re: Resignation effective 10/25.

Dear Mayor Jordan and colleagues, friends, and neighbors,

I have greatly enjoyed knowing you and working with you as a Ward 2 Councilmember over the past 13 years. This letter serves as my formal notice of resignation from our City Council, effective October 25, 2021. As my workload and associated travel has increased, it has become more difficult for me to continue to provide the level of service that I expect of myself and so I am stepping aside to make room for another to implement Ward 2's progressive agenda.

Fayetteville is my home and I feel lucky to keep sharing it with my family and the community at large. I am proud of what we have been able to accomplish together and grateful for the role voters have chosen for me four times. Being elected in my twenties and serving for almost thirteen years has been an incredible learning experience. Take it from me: public service is worth it. (More people should consider it.)

Though this is a big change, I will always seek out ways I can contribute because I was raised to always stand up for our values and my convictions. I believe many people in Fayetteville share this ethos. It's become cliché to say the world is changing and we will only get to the other side together, but it's true.

In love, and respect

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