

We figured it was time to ask this question again, especially with a larger field of candidates and with some of them providing a better idea of what we'd expect. Visit [the front page](#) if you're reading this on an RSS feed and let us know who you think may be Birmingham's next mayor. It's not necessarily scientific, but it may provide a better idea of what people are thinking. **The poll closes at 8:59 p.m., this Friday, August 24.**

We do intend to begin coverage next week, with some slightly different methods to the traditional madness. Keep an eye out for Andre's editorial over on my Birmingham this afternoon... In the meantime, what do you think are the real issues of this election? Post your thoughts as a comment to this post.