

About Me – Ron Francis

Who is he? Ron Francis...Chairman of the Board – First Landmark Bank...MRC Chairman

Q & A with Ron Francis

Why did you choose to serve on the Marietta Redevelopment Corporation?

I wanted to see certain areas of the city redeveloped and wanted to give back to the community, as a leader in the business community.

Why did you choose to serve in the role of Chairman?

I was asked and at the time felt there was a need for a change in direction.

Do you serve on any other committees or do any other volunteer work?

I also serve as chairman of the Cobb Community Foundation and Chairman of the United Arts of Cobb; as a Trustee of Kennesaw State University Foundation and as a Trustee of Eckerd College.

Can you tell us a little about your family here in Marietta?

I have lived in Marietta with my wife Claire, whose family has lived in Marietta for five generations for over 40 years. Our daughter also lives in Marietta with her husband.

Describe Marietta in one to two sentences.

Marietta is a great place to live with excellent quality of life.

What do you think Marietta will be like 10 years from now?

I think many areas of the city will be redeveloped and the current redevelopment projects will be built out.

How would you measure Marietta's success over the next decade?

I would measure success over the next decade based on sustainability of growth, the shift from predominately renter to owner occupied housing and by highest and best use of property and quality of development.

If you could only choose one, would you live, work or play in Marietta and Why?

I would work in Marietta because of the business environment.

What would people be surprised to learn about you?

People would be surprised to learn that I am soft hearted.

What's your ideal way to spend a Friday night in Marietta?

My ideal way to spend a Friday night is having dinner on the Marietta Square.

What's your ideal way to spend a Saturday afternoon in Marietta?

My ideal way to spend an afternoon in Marietta is playing golf.