

Michael Walter – Building Inspector – BSEED

Education

Associate's Degree, LCC.

Bachelor's Degree, Michigan State University in Construction Management.

Positions Held in over 30 years with city

Construction Inspector and Housing Inspector.

Currently working in demolitions for (BSEED) as a building inspector.

Union Membership

APCI, teamsters, carpenters, and AFSME. Currently Vice-President of AFSME local 1227.

Service and Committees

EIT (Employee Involvement Team) Helped organize and carry out programs for positive morale events at BSEED.

Various LEAN committees, Diagonal Slice, LMQI.

Family

Wife, five children, ten grandchildren, and three foster children.

Statement

After working with both city management and union representatives as a voter (and providing financial explanation to fellow coworkers), I believe it is time I take a more proactive role in our future. I believe we need voices who understand the complexities of our pension system while also clearly representing the voice of the coworker.

As an inspector, I have served under Mayors Coleman Young, Dennis Archer, Kwame Kilpatrick, Dave Bing, and now Mike Duggan. That time has allowed me to become vested in the Legacy Pension plan (previously reduced by 4.5 percent after bankruptcy). I am now part of the Hybrid Pension Plan. In both cases, the future of my colleagues is also my own. I would like to make good on the hopes that these investments represent.

Working for the city has been more than just a career. The people I work with are friends and family. I'm invested in *them* – in their careers and in their families.