

Larken Egleston, a democrat, was elected in 2017 as the district 1 representative and is serving his first term on council.

Egleston represents Republic National Distributing Company as a brand ambassador for Western North Carolina. He has also written for local publications including the Charlotte Observer, Elevate Magazine and Creative Loafing.

Egleston serves on the North Carolina advisory committee for the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition, serves as an advisory board member for Central Piedmont Community College's Culinary Arts program and is a volunteer firefighter for the Long Creek Volunteer Fire Department. He previously served as a member of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Carolinas Chapter Board of Directors. Egleston was also chair of City Council's Charlotte International Cabinet and vice chair of the Charlotte/Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission. Egleston served as a delegate to the 2016 Democratic National Convention.

Egleston received an associate degree from Johnson & Wales University and a bachelor's degree from Appalachian State University.