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LaWana Mayfield celebrates her election victory with a supporter.

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Mayfield makes history as city's first openly gay elected official

Mayfield wins election against Republican opponent by large margin

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CHARLOTTE — Democratic candidate LaWana Mayfield made history on Nov. 8, soundly defeating Republican opponent Ed Toney in their race for the District 3 city council seat and becoming Charlotte's first openly gay or lesbian elected official.

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