

## **Ballot Forum Questionnaire**

300 words max for each question with an asterisk (\*)
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- Are you registered as a Democrat?
   Yes
- 2. Are you a member of the Eastern Neighborhoods Democratic Club? Yes
- 3. Are you a member of the Noe Valley Democratic Club? Yes
- 4. Why should the Eastern Neighborhoods Democratic Club support your candidacy?

I have lived on the Eastside of San Francisco for nearly ten years. In that time, I have invested in my community—relaunching the Noe Valley Democratic Club and growing it to be one of the largest neighborhood Democratic clubs in the city. I wanted to create a space for civic engagement where members and the public could have productive discussions—where we might not always agree but would be willing to hear each other out. I also serve as an elected delegate to the California Democratic Party for AD-17.

I believe this approach—putting members' interests first and building a big tent—is a shared philosophy with ENDC.

In addition to a shared approach, as a candidate, I believe I have the grit and determination to win. I am a first-generation college student and mom. And, I have been endorsed by several elected officials whom ENDC has previously endorsed,

including Assemblymember Matt Haney, District Attorney Brooke Jenkins, and District 5 Supervisor Matt Dorsey.

5. Did you support the Board of Education Recall? Why/Why Not?\*

I did support the Board of Education Recall, specifically for Commissioners Collins and López. I felt for the children and families of San Francisco. Zoom school was designed to keep us safe and prevent Covid infections in the interim—but not as a long-term strategy. We were one of the last school districts in the nation to return to classrooms. In addition, the school board became so politicized that it did not prioritize the needs of parents nor children. There were numerous missteps and overall mismanagement.

6. Did you support the District Attorney Recall? Why/Why Not?\*

Although I understand the position that recalls are expensive and should only be exercised during the most egregious of circumstances, I also believe that more could have been done by the former DA to address and prosecute the rise in crime during a time of crisis. In my capacity as President of Noe Valley Democratic Club, I spent a lot of time researching crime data and sources, reflecting on public sentiment, and hosting public forums and meetings with both the former DA and SFPD to understand how they were addressing crime and public safety.

Although the former DA was not the primary driver of shifts in crime that the city experienced, he took credit for the decrease in violent crime while simultaneously not taking responsibility for the increase in property crime. But, violent crime has been shifting downward since the 1970s, in addition to a lack of proximity during Covid for those crimes to occur. Meanwhile, burglaries spiked and motor vehicle thefts increased. And, although I believe in criminal justice reform and diversion programs, applying that lens during a time of increased crime in San Francisco, in addition to denying the actual facts on the ground, felt irresponsible. I therefore supported the recall.

## For AD 17 Candidates

7. What are your 3 core policy issues you care about which affect the eastern half of the city the most?\*

I am passionate about building more housing, leveling the playing field for women, and ensuring that San Francisco is a safe and vibrant city.

8. If elected, how do you see yourself as being able to influence these problems?\*

I have demonstrated my commitment to building more housing, specifically affordable housing. I served as campaign manager for a citywide housing measure, Affordable Homes Now San Francisco (Prop D 2022). It came very close

to passing, earning more than 140,000 affirmative votes—just shy of achieving 50%+1. If elected, I would continue to endorse candidates and support policies that are pro-housing.

I want to level the playing field for women and have worked towards that goal. I volunteered for the Hillary Clinton campaign and believed that, if elected, she would have made great strides for women. I have also been involved with both One Fair Wage and ROC United. Both are focused on advancing the rights and pay for service workers, the majority of whom are women in our state. I was recently accepted into the 2024 class for Emerge, which trains women Democratic leaders. If elected, I plan to pay it forward to women and push for policies to support them.

Lastly, I want to ensure that San Francisco is a vibrant and safe place to live. For the past decade I've lived in Noe Valley but have experienced first-hand how world-class cities have run. I've lived in Boston, Madrid, Amsterdam, Portland (OR), Philadelphia, and Brooklyn. I am motivated to apply my public policy and communications experience and entrepreneurial mindset to help the city and AD-17 think creatively and within constraints about recovery from the pandemic's setbacks. This past summer I hosted a Revitalize Downtown SF public forum to understand how community leaders propose balancing clean and safe streets with economic development. If elected, I will support policies that support small businesses and the expansion of public squares and infrastructure projects. The Noe Valley Town Square is a wonderful model to learn from.

## For AD 19 Candidates

9. What are your 3 core policy issues you care about which affect the western half of the city the most?\*

N/A

10. If elected, how do you see yourself as being able to influence these problems?\*

N/A