



Ballot Forum Questionnaire

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Wednesday, 12/06*

1. Are you registered as a Democrat? **YES**
2. Are you a member of the Eastern Neighborhoods Democratic Club? **NO**
3. Are you a member of the Noe Valley Democratic Club? **NO**
4. Why should the Eastern Neighborhoods Democratic Club support your candidacy?

I share many of the same values and have backed them up with action.

*Every day, I fight for **housing** as an executive at the largest nonprofit affordable housing organization in the country, and as a proud board member of Yes In My Backyard (YIMBY) Action.*

*I was humbled to be the architect of a philanthropy disbursing hundreds of millions of dollars to improve the lives of San Francisco's **youth, elderly, and food insecure**. Specifically, I was optimizing post-secondary outcomes for our youth - related to the workforce development part of the ENDC platform*

*I'm a proud **SFUSD parent** that led my daughter's School Site Council through COVID. I helped gather signatures during the SFUSD school board recall. I now serve on the SFUSD focus group on how to **bring 8th grade Algebra back**.*

*I cut my teeth 24 years ago on the "No on Knight Initiative" campaign fighting for **LGBTQ rights**.*

*And I created a for-purpose business that **environmentally** processes waste and reduces carbon emissions while creating livelihoods and protecting the **labor rights** for over 6,000 marginalized waste picking women in South Asia.*

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

YES. As an SFUSD parent, the incompetence of the school board members was tangible. SFUSD students stayed home the longest out of any major city in the US. It was unacceptable. That is why I gathered signatures for the recall.

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

I voted to recall Chesa Boudin to send a clear message that San Francisco was ready for a change and it was not okay to ignore violence against Asians.

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?*

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

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?*

Housing: *We must build 82,000 housing units. The Western part of the city will likely be up-zoned in the near future. It is a matter of “when” rather than “if” when it comes to building more housing in AD 19. We have no time to waste. We must be intentional and thoughtful about how we do so in an inclusive manner - before that decision is taken away from us.*

Education: *Many families live on the Westside and seek a strong school district for their children. Recent SFUSD events have shaken the faith of families to send their children to public school - leading to migration out of the city or to private schools (for those who can afford to move or pay respectively). This hollows out our tax base to provide good public schooling while exacerbating academic outcomes for low-income communities of color. Failed policies of detracking 8th grade math have contributed to this inequality. We have an opportunity to turn SFUSD around with parent advocacy, evidence-based policies, and the election of new school board members in November 2024.*

Quality of Life: *We have an opportunity to transform the Westside into a destination through strong urbanist policies that incorporate the heavier reliance of Westside residents on their vehicles while still better integrating walkways, green space, more tree-lined sidewalks, and pleasant community space that encourages community connection. I oversee Resident Services in affordable housing across 270 properties in 21 states and I'm always amazed at what a difference good community space makes in empowering residents to develop a sense of belonging and cohesion with their neighbors.*

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

As a member of the DCCC, I seek to endorse school board candidates that will apply an evidence-based approach to meeting students where they are at rather than trying to impose a one-size fits all that drives down student performance. I'd take an inclusive big-tent approach to the Democratic Party and work hard to increase Democratic membership - including amongst families who feel neglected. (I already do so as a founder of the Westside Family Democratic Club). I also would seek to endorse candidates who demonstrated their ability to get things done such as feasibly look at how we increase housing across AD 19 in an intentional and inclusive manner - with urgency. I look to elected officials such as Supervisor Joel Engardio and State Senator Scott Wiener as models. I am also proud to have both their endorsements.