



Dear Candidate:

The San Francisco Democratic Party (SFDCCC) is eager to learn more about your candidacy and invites you to participate in our endorsement process.

If you would like to be considered for an endorsement by SFDCCC, please complete the attached Endorsement Questionnaire and return to info@sfdemocrats.org by **Monday, March 12 at 5:00pm**. Our Endorsement Committee will meet candidates for interviews on **March 17, 2018**. The exact time of your interview and location will be provided to you after we review your completed Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire and have determined that you meet our bottom line requirements to be considered for an endorsement. At the time of the interview, you may also provide additional information to supplement your questionnaire. You are limited to four (4) total pages, and you must provide 45 copies.

SFDCCC seeks to encourage the election of qualified local candidates who will help to advance our shared Democratic values. We are only able to endorse registered Democrats, except in the case of a nonpartisan race in which no registered Democrat has qualified for the ballot. We also seek to support those candidates who express agreement and have demonstrated support for our core issues and priorities, which are included in the California Democratic Party Platform, our Bylaws, and Policies and Procedures Manual (which can all be found at www.cadems.org and www.sfdemocrats.org).

To qualify for an endorsement interview, all candidates must indicate that they support the Democratic principles in our party platform, complete the Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire, and return it by the deadline of **March 12, 2018 at 5:00 pm**.

Candidate interviews will be brief and will be open to both SFDCCC members and members of San Francisco's chartered democratic clubs. Following the Endorsement Committee interview, the full body will deliberate and vote on a final endorsement at our meeting scheduled for March 28, 2018, at 6:30pm, at the Tenderloin Community

Elementary School. Meetings are open to the general public and are live streamed on

our Facebook page. You are welcome to attend or follow our progress online.

The following rules also apply to the SFDCCC endorsement process and any violation may be subject to further actions, including a revocation of the endorsement:

1. Candidates may only use the "SF Democratic Party" name and image after the full membership endorsement;
2. Once endorsed, the SFDCCC will provide a high-resolution copy of our logo which may be used in your materials **only** for the race for which you were endorsed;
3. In the case of elections in which Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) is employed, listing of the SFDCCC endorsement must accurately reflect the ranked endorsement as detailed in our Policies and Procedures Manual;
4. Third parties wishing to utilize the SFDCCC name or logo in their campaign materials must submit a request to our Executive Director.

Thank you very much for your interest in the SFDCCC endorsement. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions. We look forward to learning more about your candidacy and your campaign.

Respectfully,

The San Francisco Democratic Party

By signing below, you acknowledge that you will comply with the SFDCCC's Bylaws and Policies and Procedures and you will not utilize the SFDCCC name, the San Francisco Democratic Party, or its logo without written permission.

_____ **Jane Kim** _____
(name)


(signature)

_____ **Mayor** _____
(position you are seeking)

_____ **March 12, 2018** _____
(date)

SFDCCC Candidate Questionnaire Mayoral Race - June 2018

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What office are you running for? Mayor

Are you running for re-election? No

What other elected positions have you held previously?

Member, San Francisco Board of Supervisor,

Member, San Francisco Democratic Central County Committee

President and Member, San Francisco Board of Education

INSTRUCTIONS: · Please complete this questionnaire and bring 45 copies (for the 31 Committee members and for Democratic Clubs) with you to be distributed just prior to your interview appointment on March 17, 2018 · ****IMPORTANT**** Please send electronic copies to info@SFDemocrats.org by 5:00 PM on March 12, 2018 · With the possible exception of a Democratic candidate filing to run after the questionnaire due date, only candidates who return a completed questionnaire electronically by the due date will be allowed to present before the committee. At the time of the interview, you may also provide 45 copies of up to 4 pages of supplemental information attached to your questionnaire for distribution to SFDCCC members (materials are not to be passed out during the meeting). · We may distribute the questionnaires in preparation for event and post them on the SFDCCC website for the public to view. · If you have not heard from the committee by Thursday, March 15, please contact Executive Director, Adam Mehis at 415-626-1161 or info@sfdemocrats.org to schedule a time slot during the Endorsement Interview Meeting.

PART I: GENERAL QUESTIONS (200 words or less)

Are you a registered member of the Democratic Party? Yes

Please describe your contributions to the Democratic Party and/or increasing civic engagement in the democratic process at the local, state and or/national level in recent years.

I've spent the last 11 years serving on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and Board of Education. I am currently a member of the San Francisco Democratic Central County Committee and ran with a group of community leaders under the Reform Slate to bring back our party to the Democratic values we care about.

I have been actively campaigning, both as a volunteer and elected official, in local and state races for over twenty years. I walk precincts and phone bank in every election cycle. As a former community organizer, I spent six years registering voters working to increase turnout amongst API vote.

I have recruited and supported many women and people of color to run for office. I proactively recruit and hire women and people to intern and work at my legislative office and on my campaign to ensure we increase diversity in our democratic and legislative process.

Are there any other civic causes or organizations that you are involved with? Please describe.

I have actively supported At the Crossroads, United Playaz and Life Learning Academy on Treasure Island. I have served on the Board of Directors of Teachers 4 Social Justice, Asian American Theater Project and the San Francisco People's Organization. I also served on the Community Action Grant Fund Committee of the Women's Foundation. I am a member of the Young Elected Officials Network, a program of the People for the American Way.

Please summarize your qualifications and experience for the office you are seeking.

San Francisco can and should be, a beacon for the rest of the country. We have the resources to make progressive ideas into reality. I'm the only candidate with the vision, will and experience to make bold ideas a reality.

I served as a community organizer at Chinatown Community Development Center for six years and as a staff attorney at Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights before serving on the San Francisco Board of Education and the Board of Supervisors. I represent a challenging and diverse district in San Francisco with the poorest and some of the wealthiest residents, along with much of our tourist, cultural and commercial neighborhoods. The issues I have worked to address as Supervisor mirror the top citywide issues-- housing and development, homelessness, clean streets and public transportation.

Over the last decade, I have worked to make San Francisco a City for all of us, not just some of us. I recently authored a luxury real estate transfer tax to make San Francisco the only city in the nation to make higher education free for all of our residents. I authored the measure to give our minimum wage workers a raise to \$15 by 2018 and have negotiated and won more affordable and middle income housing than any city legislator in the last seven years.

My ideas and values are not simply words - I have repeatedly fought and won battles to bring progressive initiatives into fruition.

Please list any organizations or elected officials who have endorsed you.

Organizations

SEIU Local 1021 (#1)
SF Berniecrats (#1)
Sierra Club
San Francisco Tenants Union
Community Tenants Association
Richmond District Democratic Club
Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club
AFT 2121
IFPTE Local 21
NUHW (#2)
United Educators of San Francisco (#2)

Current & Former Elected Officials

Former Assemblymember and San Francisco Board of Supervisors President Tom Ammiano
Former San Francisco Board of Supervisors President Harry Britt and Matt Gonzalez
San Francisco Supervisor Sandra Lee Fewer and Hillary Ronen
Former San Francisco Supervisor John Avalos and Eric Mar
San Francisco School Board Commissioners Matt Haney + Mark Sanchez
CCSF Board of Trustees President Brigitte Davila
CCSF Board of Trustees Member Tom Temprano + John Rizzo
Peter Gallotta, Committee Member, SFDCCC & Former Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club
President
Petra DeJesus, Police Commissioner & Committee Member, SFDCCC
Pratima Gupta, Committee Member, SFDCCC
Alysabeth Alexander, SFDCCC
Frances Hsieh, Committee Member, SFDCCC
Jen Low, Committee Member, SFDCCC

Find the full list at www.JaneKim.org/endorsements

PART II: YES/NO QUESTIONS

ECONOMIC JUSTICE

Do you support the divestment of public funds from Wells Fargo and other financial institutions involved in speculative and questionable banking practices? **Yes**

Do you believe that the government should provide foreclosure relief for borrowers who were victims of unethical financial service practices? **Yes**

Do you support the creation of a local municipal bank in San Francisco? **Yes**

CRIMINAL JUSTICE/POLICE REFORM

Do you support overhauling the bail system? **Yes**

Do you supporting rebuilding jails in San Francisco? **No**

Supervisor David Campos and I were the first Supervisors to oppose rebuilding a new jail in San Francisco because we know affordable housing, mental health services, gainful employment, and substance abuse programs are the solutions we need to invest in.

Will you commit to “ban the box” legislation to ensure that the formerly incarcerated are given an equal opportunity for housing and employment? **Yes.** I was the lead author of “ban the box” legislation in San Francisco in 2013-2014 that was the first in the nation to cover both housing and employment.

Do you support the San Francisco Police Department being equipped with Tasers? **No,** I do not support arming SFPD officers with tasers today. Until the SFPD can show firm evidence that the use of force reforms have been successfully implemented and followed, I oppose adding any new weapons to the existing arsenal at the disposal of law enforcement.

EDUCATION/YOUTH

Will you commit to fully fund the implementation of Free City College, which the voters overwhelmingly approved in 2016? **ABSOLUTELY. Yes.**

Do you support expanding affordable childcare to low- and middle-income families? **Yes**

Do you support expanding child care to include children aged 0-3 years old? **Yes**

ENVIRONMENT

Do you support San Francisco's independence from private energy providers and commit to begin building out the City's own renewable energy generation sites by 2020? **Yes**

Do you support SFERS' (San Francisco Employees' Retirement System) full divestment from fossil fuel interests? **Yes**

HEALTHCARE

With the opiate crisis worsening nationwide, would you support the creation of safe injection sites in San Francisco to support harm reduction? **Yes**

Do you fully support retaining and expanding the number of subacute beds in San Francisco? **Yes**

Do you support using jails as mental health facilities and substance abuse treatment programs? **No.** But I do support converting jail space into mental health facilities and substance abuse treatment programs.

CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUES

Do you support speaking out in public against all forms of racism, discrimination, hatred and violence, and standing in solidarity with movements that promote equity, including Black Lives Matter? **Yes**

Will you protect the right of all people to use facilities and participate in all aspects of society regardless of their gender identity and the gender assigned at birth and ensure equal access to all public facilities? **Yes**

IMMIGRATION JUSTICE ISSUES

Will you support Sanctuary City policies and Due Process for All -- limiting the ability for local authorities to collaborate with Federal government on immigration enforcement which incites fear in immigrant communities? **Yes**

Do you support the San Francisco Police Department's involvement with the FBI through the Joint Terrorism Task Force, which includes surveillance of San Francisco residents? **No.** I was the lead author of Safe San Francisco Ordinance which limits SFPD partnership's with JTTF and made public any activity/partnership with JTTF.

Will you fully support funding for deportation and detention defense to protect San Francisco residents from removal proceedings? **Yes**

LABOR

Do you support the privatization of essential government services and outsourcing of public sector jobs? **No.** I am the only candidate to have voted against contracting out during recession years.

Will you work to reduce the number of exempt classifications and seek to convert these positions to civil service? **Yes**

Will you support Cost Of Living Adjustments (COLAs) for non-profit organizations that hold contracts with the City? **Yes**

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

Will you commit to fully funding San Francisco's public financing program? **Yes** and I am working to expand it.

Do you plan to or have you applied for public financing in this race? **Yes**

HOUSING, TENANT, & LAND USE ISSUES

Do you support a split roll for Proposition 13 that treats taxes for commercial and residential property differently? **Yes**

Would you support overturning Costa Hawkins to support the right for localities to pass rent control laws? **Yes**

Should there be a moratorium on market rate housing in communities that have experienced elevated rates of displacement? I supported the Interim Mission Moratorium in 2015. Each moratorium must be considered and studied before I will take a position. I'm proud to represent the District that is currently building 54% of all of San Francisco's affordable housing. I have also fought to increase affordable housing requirements for developers building in sensitive neighborhoods including the Mission, Tenderloin and Chinatown.

HOMELESSNESS

Do you support civil or criminal penalties for people sleeping, sitting, or lying on the streets? **No**

Will you commit to placing and funding Navigation Centers in every Supervisorial district? **Yes**

Do you support expansion of the rental subsidy program? **Yes**

PART III: SHORT-ANSWER QUESTIONS ON ISSUES (250 Words or less)

1) What specific policy changes would you propose to address the issue of chronic homelessness in San Francisco?

We need to build more housing of all kinds, as quickly as we can.

I have supported four additional Navigation Centers and fought to win \$6.6M to build and expand a 24/7 medical respite shelters, staffed by nurses, clinicians and psychologists in the South of Market which just opened in 2017. I believe our shelter system should be brought under the management of Department of Health -- we need to treat homelessness as a public health issue, not just an economic issue. Many become homeless because of an untreated physical or mental health illness and many more develop illnesses as they struggle on our streets.

To address the quality of life issues that often accompany living unhoused in residential neighborhoods, I successfully worked to fund and then expand our fully-staffed mobile public toilet program called the "Pit Stop." I'm proposing to double our Pit Stop program, a program I initiated and launched with Public Works in the Tenderloin in 2014 to provide clean, safe and monitored toilets. The innovation around the Pit Stop is the full-time staffing: with full-time staffing, we are able to ensure that the toilets remain safe, clean, and accessible for anyone who needs to use it for the purpose for which it was intended plus we have additional safe needle disposal and dog waste bag distribution locations throughout the City where it is most needed. With a high number of homeless adults in shelters being employed but still unable to afford stable housing, we also need to increase access to our showers -- I would like to open up

our rec centers in the morning to individuals who would like to shower before our youth and senior programming begins.

Finally, we must be bold in moving our homeless residents back into housing and developing a housing ladder for formerly homeless individual to move from entry level single room occupancy (SRO) units with supportive services to “step up” affordable housing.

Over the longer term, San Francisco needs a ‘housing ladder’ that provides access to housing for everyone that is able to work here, which must include working and middle class people and families.

2) Do you support the reform or repeal of the Ellis Act? If so, how would you like to see it changed? If not, why?

I support the reform of the Ellis Act to reduce the incentive for speculative building owners to evict existing tenants after the purchase of a building. I also strongly supported the Anti-Speculators Tax in 2014 and would support it on the ballot again.

3) We recognize that the affordability crisis and evictions have particularly impacted our marginalized communities and communities of color. How do you plan to address preserving these communities? How would you address the issue of the displacement of low-income communities in San Francisco?

San Francisco has done a poor job protecting and preserving marginalized communities of color. Displacement isn’t just a tragedy for the individual families affected; it hurts our city and overall community. We cannot be a healthy city if we are a hollow city with room for only the very rich and very poor and everyone else commuting in.

We must intentionally invest in our low-income and working class communities of color. Our marginalized communities also need access to quality schools, after-school programs, internships, small businesses. I am proposing to create an Office of Race and Equity to develop a blueprint for retaining San Francisco families, especially those harmed through the City’s historic racist policies against communities of color, in particular the African American/Black community.

Affordable housing is absolutely key to retaining our low-income and working class communities of color in our City. I am the tenants’ rights and affordable housing champion in this race. I have authored multiple ordinances to strengthen laws that prevent displacement and evictions, including Eviction Protections 2.0 which severely restricted low fault evictions and evictions due to tenants adding a partner, family member or roommate. We need to further strengthen rent control and stabilize the spiraling rise of rents in this city and I will lead on the advocacy efforts to repeal Costa Hawkins State law as Mayor.

I am also proud to have negotiated and won more affordable and middle income housing for working families than any city legislator in the last seven years. I successfully negotiated 40% affordable housing in the new Giants project at Mission Rock, secured 40% affordability in the Folsom tower project and won another 40% in the 5M project at 5th and Mission. I am a strong

supporter of building more housing through smart development that protects our rent-controlled housing stock and expands the total number of affordable units.

I authored Proposition C to increase the minimum level of affordable housing in new developments from 12% to 25%. Prop C was approved with 68% of voters supporting this solution. Asking more of the developers who are benefiting most from skyrocketing prices is the right thing to do.

I was the very first Mayoral candidate to officially endorse the “No Eviction Without Representation Initiative” that grassroots activists led by the Tenants Union. This initiative will make San Francisco the first city in California – and the second city in the nation after New York – to guarantee that every tenant facing eviction from their home has a right to legal counsel to make sure they know their rights and have someone by their side to ensure they are represented and not unfairly evicted.

4) What is affordable housing to you? Should the current AMI (area mean income) levels for low-income and middle-income be redefined? And how?

Housing should make up no more than 30% of an individual's or household's annual income. In the richest city in the wealthiest country in the world, our residents should not have to choose between putting food on the table, getting an education, paying a healthcare bill or paying rent.

5) How would you balance the need for more housing and the need for community input in the Planning process?

Local control and community input at the front end allows us to negotiate the best possible development deals for the City and our neighborhoods. We need to do better to improve the post entitlement process and expedite projects that have already been approved. I want to develop a new source of local tax increment funding for infrastructure, seismic, and remediation costs for development of new affordable and market-rate housing on public lands, including Treasure Island and the Shipyard/Candlestick projects which could cut the time needed to build those three projects 20,000 total units – 6000 affordable and 14000 market-rate – in half, from 20+ years to just 10+ years.

While we are pushing for more affordable housing throughout our city in large developments, we need to streamline the process for smaller accessory dwelling units and 3-15 unit projects which can expand capacity without overwhelming or changing the character of our neighborhoods.

6) What are your budget priorities for San Francisco and what would be your process for establishing these priorities and engaging community and the Board of Supervisors?

My budget priorities are street cleaning, homelessness, mental health services, housing and public transportation.

I will lead a transparent budget process and will actively engage the community and every member of the Board of Supervisors to ensure their input in the Mayor's Budget on June 1. The budget can and should be a consensus not an annual battle.

7) How do you envision the relationship between the tech/innovation sector and local government?

San Francisco has the fastest growing income gap between the rich and poor in the country and we are increasingly becoming a city that is only affordable for the very wealthy. I have the strongest track record of working to address this growing gap and am running for Mayor to continue to tackle this issue and regrow our middle class.

Technology companies have generated new jobs and revenue for our city but the wealth has not been evenly distributed throughout our communities. While I welcome this growing industry, we also need regulate emerging technology and ask them to contribute back to our city through progressive taxation policies. Since 2014, I have strongly advocated for a hard cap on short term rentals and levying the TOT (hotel tax) on this commercial revenue. In 2016, I authored a modest increase on our luxury real estate transfer tax, which has been fueled by the tech growth in our region-- this measure is generating an average of \$44M new revenue for our General Fund and is making City College free for all our residents. I am currently a co-sponsor of Supervisor Peskin's gig economy tax on ride hailing companies.

We must also push our employer community, tech and non tech, to move away from contracting out its jobs-- cafeteria workers, janitors, security guards, drivers and even engineers and move towards hiring them as W2's in house with salary and benefits.

We can and should invite tech to collaborate on the pressing issues of our City-- homelessness, housing, public transit, good government and the future of work. I look forward to building this partnership.

8) What plan do you have to address the increased traffic congestion in the City and balance the sometimes conflicting needs and uses on our roads?

Traffic congestion clogs our streets, pollutes our environment, frustrates residents and workers and hurts our economy. Our city has grown by approximately one hundred thousand residents in less than ten years and we are still growing. However, our transit system has not kept pace with this growth.

As Mayor, I will get San Franciscans moving again by improve transit and invest in other modes of transportation.

I support long-term transportation expansion— we must build a second Transbay tube for BART or Caltrain, electrify Caltrain and build its extension to the downtown core, and extend the Central Subway line to North Beach and Fisherman's Wharf. These projects will take decades to build and in the meantime, we also need to invest in immediate and affordable solutions now. I will fund more buses, longer MUNI trains and invest in a regional ferry system connecting North, East and South Bay and San Francisco with small and large ferries as well as water taxis. Simply doubling or tripling our single car trains can quickly add capacity to our system. This will provide immediate relief to our roads and freeways.

We must also build a protected bike lane network citywide— in order to get more people out of their cars and onto bikes, we must make build a robust and safe network. I have fought for and won more protected bike lanes in District Six. Because of my support and the advocacy of key community organizations, there are more bike lanes than in any other district in San Francisco.

Finally, I will reduce traffic congestion by double the number of traffic enforcement officers to keep vehicles moving during rush hour, implementing reasonable regulation on ride-hailing companies to make sure these vehicles are complying with traffic laws and study mobility management programs such as congestion pricing to fund transit and road improvements