

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, August 13 at 5:00pm**. Our Endorsement Committee will meet candidates for **interviews on August 18, 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 5 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 August 13, 2018 at 5:00pm.

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 August 22, 2018, at 6:30pm, at the Tenderloin Community 1 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.

Schuyler Hudak

District 2 Supervisor

(name)

(position you are seeking)

Schuyler Hudak

8/15/18

(signature)

(date)

SFDCCC Candidate Questionnaire Supervisorial Race - November 2018

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What office are you running for? **District 2 Supervisor**

Are you running for re-election? **No**

What other elected positions have you held previously? **None**

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please complete this questionnaire and bring 5 copies (for the 31 Committee members and for Democratic Clubs) with you to be distributed just prior to your interview appointment on August 18, 2018 ·

****IMPORTANT**** Please send electronic copies to info@SFDemocrats.org by 5:00 PM on August 13, 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. 3 · 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, August 16, 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 the recent years.

I served as the statewide Field Director for Jerry Brown when he ran for Governor in 2010, leading and organizing a 58-county strategy in partnership with the CDP for the coordinated campaign that helped Democrats sweep the 2010 Statewide races. I also worked for Gavin Newsom on public education policy during his tenure as Mayor of San Francisco, as well as City Attorney Dennis Herrera.

My company, Cor, was specifically created to better inform and engage citizens in civic engagement. I participated in leadership programs including Emerge California, Leadership San Francisco, and the New Leaders Council.

I raised millions of dollars to fund the cities public schools during the economic downturn in 2009. I helped raise over \$125 million to fund the new San Francisco General Hospital.

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

In the past decade, I have given over 10,000 hours of volunteer time and raised over \$10 million dollars for San Francisco community organizations. I currently serve on the Board of Directors at SF General Hospital where I focus on funding Psychiatric and Homeless Services. I am a past board member of the San Francisco Women's Political Committee. I have worked alongside NARAL, Planned Parenthood, Homeless Prenatal Program, the American Heart Association, Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Center, Larkin Street Youth Services, San Francisco Ed Fund, the Commonwealth Club, The Exploratorium, Global Giving, International Museum of Women, La Cocina, Samasource, and the United Way Bay Area.

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

Service has been the driving force of my life. I was born and raised in the Bay Area and I knew from a young age that I wanted to spend my life giving back to San Francisco, the Bay Area, and California.

I worked as an aide to Mayor Gavin Newsom on public education policy and fought to elect Governor Jerry Brown in 2010 as his Statewide Field Director. I worked as development director for Warren Hellman's nonprofit, the San Francisco School Alliance, raising millions of dollars to improve the city's public schools in 2009. As Founder and CEO of a documentary video company, I was chosen by President Barack Obama and the U.S. State Department to represent United States female entrepreneurs at a global summit in Nairobi, Kenya.

Throughout my adult life I have tirelessly worked in the community, raising over \$10 million dollars for community based organizations in San Francisco and giving over 10,000 volunteer hours including my service on the Board of San Francisco General Hospital, prioritizing funding for mental health and psychiatric services for the city's homeless population.

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

**Service Employees International Union (SEIU 1021)
United Food Service Workers of America (UFCW Local 648)
Supervisor Norman Yee
Board of Equalization Chairwoman Fionna Ma
U.S. Senator Jon Tester.**

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?

No

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

Will you commit to “ban the box” legislation to ensure that the formerly incarcerated are given an equal opportunity for housing and employment?

Yes

Do you support the San Francisco Police Department being equipped with Tasers?

Yes

CHILDCARE

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 CleanPowerSF program and will you commit to sustaining the Board's participation and oversight through the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)?

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

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

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

Do you support employee rights to organize and collectively bargain and support enforceable organizing agreements?

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

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

Yes

HOUSING, TENANT, & LAND USE ISSUES

Do you believe the 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?

Yes

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?

It is unacceptable that we live in a city as innovative as ours – as prosperous as ours – and yet so many people are homeless. This problem has persisted for too long and it's time we elect leaders with the determination and political will to fix this.

As Supervisor, my focus area would be on the mental health crisis on our streets. Currently at least 50% of our homeless population is struggling with severe mental illness or drug addiction. SF General is on the front lines of this struggle. Last year, over 50% of the homeless patients seen in the emergency room were experiencing meth-induced psychosis. These people need our help.

My extensive work with San Francisco General Hospital has shown me how critical it is that our elected officials and policymakers work closely with our service providers to create new solutions. In our trauma centers, we have the same individuals cycling through over and over again, not getting the help they need and costing taxpayers millions and taking money away that could be going to fund permanent supportive housing. We must expand our mental health services and invest in our citywide mental health network by including a significant number of both more acute, and subacute beds. When the UN declares our homeless encampments to be a humanitarian crisis this is something the collective conscience of San Francisco should no longer tolerate.

2) We recognize that the affordability crisis and evictions has 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 is becoming a tale of two cities: one side flourishing with incredible wealth and prosperity, and another side where working families are being pushed out, unable to afford to live in the city they work so hard to serve. I support legislation such as Assemblymember Bloom's AB 2364, tightening restriction on Ellis Act evictions. As the only candidate in the District 2 race who is a renter, I will fight to protect renters and support policies that would ensure their rights are respected. We must build significantly more housing at all income levels to meet the housing needs of all San Franciscans, with an emphasis on affordable housing in order to keep San Francisco a vibrant and diverse city.

In my work on the Board of SFGH, we recently implemented a program to fund scholarships and stipends for African American and Latinix medical tech workers to attend nursing school, and placed those in open nursing positions at the hospital. Our goal is to have our nursing population at SFGH reflect our patient population, because we know that this improves the outcomes and vital care for patients. Programs like this should be expanded throughout the city to ensure that we are prioritizing a diverse workforce.

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

Affordable housing in San Francisco means low and medium wage earning families and individuals should be able to stay in San Francisco, and not be forced out due to skyrocketing housing prices. We need our nurses, teachers, emergency workers and all working families to be able to live in the communities they serve. Everyone who wants to live in San Francisco should be able to live here.

As Supervisor, I will explore the process that classifies families and individuals as low or middle income when they apply for the various rental programs in San Francisco and work with experts in the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development to set a new definition that helps us achieve our goals of an socially and economically diverse city.

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

We are in a housing crisis and it's critical that we build more housing, but if we want to get this done, then all planning needs to start by engaging the whole community.

If there is push back for building more housing in District 2, I will bring all community stakeholders to the table and hear their sides fairly and equally. I have served on community boards and built relationships in the city that well position me to be a liaison to neighborhood associations, political groups, and leaders. I will make it a priority to work with all stakeholders to achieve the ultimate goal of addressing the housing crisis in San Francisco while maintaining the integrity and needs of the community.

5) What are your top district priorities and what would be your process for establishing these priorities and engaging community?

Public Safety is a top priority for the residents of District 2. As Supervisor, I will fight for improved staffing levels for law enforcement and more dedicated resources to Northern Station for policing and battling property crimes. As Supervisor, I will work with SFPD, the District Attorney's Office, the Public Defender's Office & the Sheriff's Office to create a comprehensive plan for reducing crime, with a focus on rehabilitation.

District 2 residents are very frustrated by the hypodermic needles littering the streets and frequently found near parks and schools. As Supervisor, I plan to increase the funding to the program that employs formerly homeless citizens to help clean and maintain our streets. We need more innovative and common sense solutions like this to tackle the problems we've faced for far too long.

Additionally, District 2 contains some of America's most livable and iconic neighborhoods. Among my priorities as Supervisor will be protecting the district's incomparable network of parks and open spaces.

6) If you are elected, what are your top concerns for San Francisco? How would you address these concerns?

Homelessness: We have a humanitarian crisis on our streets and I believe this is one of the most pressing social justice issues of our times. It is essential that San Francisco:

- 1. Build more housing and significantly increase the amount of permanent supportive housing in San Francisco and throughout the Bay Area.**
- 2. Create and fund a citywide mental health network with a stepped care program for severe mental illness and severe addiction, significantly adding to the acute and sub-acute beds at SF General and in the city.**
- 3. Ensure there is sufficient community-based permanent supportive housing for people living with mental illness to be contributing and thriving members of our communities.**

My extensive work on the Board of San Francisco General Hospital has shown me that too often, activists and community-based organizations are the ones doing the difficult work in the community, while working against staggering inertia at City Hall. It's time to put an end to this crisis that has stagnated and in some cases worsened over the past 30 years.

Housing: San Francisco needs to build more housing. The entire Bay Area as a region needs to build more housing. Our elected leaders should not rest until we have a housing plan that truly meets our needs. As Supervisor I will prioritize building housing and ensure that District 2 does our part to grow strategically. No district should be exempt from building housing for all income levels. We want be a city where everyone who wants to live here, can live here, especially the working families that serve San Francisco every day.

7) 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?

Our roads are overcrowded, Muni hasn't kept up with demand, and the city has neglected the infrastructure to address these problems. I fully support Vision Zero SF and ensure it has adequate funding. I am a supporter of the Mayor's Transportation 2030 Task Force and all efforts that help San Francisco and the Bay Area address our woefully inadequate transportation infrastructure. I was a supporter of Regional Measure 3 because we need more strategic regional transit policy. RM3 will replace and expand new Muni busses and rail cars (all sustainable), as well as adding 300 new BART railcars.

We must be looking toward the future, and building the infrastructure we need now. We are moving into a world in which autonomous vehicles and TNCs will be the dominant forms of transportation. This requires us to build a different kind of transit policy starting today. I plan to leverage the resources of the California Air Resources Board's Cap-and-Trade program for greenhouse gas credits, which has resulted in a large pot of money available for proposed clean transport projects. I would recommit Muni to the fossil free pledge and ensure future procurement eliminates diesel.