

RPA Endorsement Questions

Please attach additional sheets with your numbered answers

Experience

1. What experience do you have in Richmond city politics?
2. Have you run for public office previously? Have you ever been elected? If so, which office(s) and in what year(s)? Did you receive money for your campaign from any corporations or foundations? If so, please describe.
3. If you are endorsed by the RPA, are you willing to sign a pledge to refuse all donations from corporations for this and any future Richmond city elections that you run in?
4. Do you attend Richmond City Council meetings regularly? How often?
5. Do you work for or regularly volunteer for an organization that contributes towards the improvement of Richmond? Please describe.
6. How did you participate in the November 2014 and the November 2016 elections of the Richmond City Council? Did you campaign or donate money?
7. Are you interested in running as a candidate for the Richmond City Council in 2018?

Your Vision for Richmond

8. What are your priorities for Richmond? How would you go about realizing them?
9. What is your position on rent control/just cause evictions, the Contra Costa County jail expansion, sanctuary cities, and the minimum wage increase? How did you participate in these campaigns?
10. Which policies or positions that the RPA advocated for have you voted or advocated against? Why?
11. How would you work to hold Chevron accountable for a cleaner operation and /or paying a fair share of property taxes?
12. Would you support a motion to explore ways to further demilitarize the police department and possibly find ways to encourage other Bay Area cities to do the same?
13. How would you approach closing the city's budget gap? Would you be willing to ask safety unions to make concessions?
14. How would you describe the current climate of labor relations between the city and its employees in 1) public safety and 2) other public employees?
15. What is your assessment of how Richmond currently allocates its resources? Do you feel some services are underfunded or overfunded? If so, what is your perspective on addressing this?
16. Have you read the Richmond General Plan (<http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/2608/General-Plan-2030>)? Will you support/uphold the General Plan?
17. How do you see your appointment bringing more of the Richmond community into the public process, especially those parts of our community that do not traditionally participate at the same rate as those already active?
18. Why are you seeking an RPA endorsement?