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**What San Francisco street/intersection would you choose for an epic street party and why?**

Market and Castro. The most fun, inclusive and diverse street parties I've been to in SF have been at this intersection. It's a place to celebrate diversity and love.

**Please list the 3 endorsements you are most proud of:**

I've just started my campaign this week and am still rounding them up. I'll send a list when I have them secured.

**What are the top three issues you will work on, and how will you implement solutions in a timely manner? (1250 character limit)**

I began my career as a grassroots organizer for Green Corps, a field school for environmental activists and learned early on that having a voice whether in politics, in your community or your workplace, is critical to a thriving and functioning democracy. I will champion new and innovative programs for receiving and responding to rider input on a regular basis. As a sustainability professional, I am interested in continuing to advocate for the Sustainability program at BART. Through additional support of this program, BART can continue to play a substantial role in reducing carbon emissions in the Bay Area and provide a viable alternative to single occupancy vehicles. I will also want to make sure that the 2 renewable energy contracts that were approved last year are on track and will be online by the goal of 2021. Promoting transit-oriented development projects will also be a priority for me. Finally, the Union members that are responsible for ensuring that BART is a thriving, functional regional transit system everyday need a champion on the BART Board and I intend to be a voice for the needs of labor on the Board. As a BART Director, I will nurture a collaborative and productive relationship with labor.

**What for-profit or non-profit boards do you serve on, including political organizations?**

Board Member, Meeting of the Minds, 2014 to present; Board Chair, Ecodistricts, April 2017 – present; Board Member, Ecodistricts, 2013 to April 2017; Co-Chair, Urban Sustainability Directors Network Innovation Fund, 2012 to 2014; Planning Committee Member, Urban Sustainability Directors Network, 2013 to 2014; Chair Emeritus, Energy and Environment Circle, Full Circle Fund, 2008 to 2011

**What local and state commissions and policy bodies have you served on -- currently or in the past?**

The San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee from 2006-2008 & 2008-2010.

**Do you support San Francisco Employees' Retirement System (SFERS) fully divesting from fossil fuels within three years and holding SFERS accountable at the ballot if they do not divest?** Yes

**Have you signed up for CleanPowerSF?** Yes, for SuperGreen service

**Do you support California Prop 10 that repeals the Costa Hawkins Rental Housing Act?**

Yes

**Do you support renewing SFPD's involvement with the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force?**

No

**Do you support congestion pricing for the downtown core?** Yes

**San Francisco suffers a continued affordability and housing crisis. Please explain how you think this crisis should be addressed (in general), then list actionable concrete steps you would take, if elected, to move toward those solutions. Include an explanation of whose interests you will prioritize.**

The housing crisis in San Francisco is real and palpable. Not enough affordable housing is being created. The City of San Francisco needs to find a way to balance the concerns of communities that do not want additional density with the needs of our growing population and those who do not have access to housing. Being an urbanist, I support moderate increases in density that do not jeopardize the character of our neighborhoods. If elected to the BART Board, I would advocate for mixed use development on BART property that could bring economic development as well as new housing units to the neighborhoods near the stations.

**Voters approved Measure RR in November 2016 to give BART \$3.5 billion in bond funding to address the most critical safety projects and improve system reliability and service. As you speak to voters during this campaign, what do you tell them you see as the most important projects to BART riders? Are these projects currently funded by Measure RR?**

There are project that are important to riders because they're visible and they directly feel the impact of the improvement. There are other projects that are ultimately important to the quality of the system but are less noticeable to the riders.

Measure RR is finding a wide range of both types of projects including replacing track, rebuilding power lines, repairing structures, renewing infrastructure, renewing stations, rebuilding train control, improving access and relieving crowding.

When I'm talking to riders during my campaign, I will highlight station improvements, improving access and relieving crowding – both because those are some of my top priorities and because those are the investments will have the most immediate and direct benefit on the quality of the rider experience.

Other important programs that are being funded and that are included in Measure RR are Bike Station expansion, fixing broken escalators along Market Street and implementing canopy station entrances along Market similar to the one at 19th Street Station in Oakland.

**How do you understand the impacts of the Supreme Court ruling of Janus v. AFSCME on BART's labor force? Will you support organized labor during the next set of negotiations? How do you envision that support looking like? (Please answer all three questions.)**

The decision of this ruling deals a significant blow to labor unions by ruling that government workers who choose not to join a union may not be required to help pay for collective bargaining. This could of course have a significant financial impact on unions across the country.

Yes, I plan to offer my unwavering support to labor during the next set of negotiations.

I would also work to play a collaborative liaison role between the Director/BART Management and labor and will be ready to intervene and engage in the labor negotiation process when needed and/or if it breakdowns. In any negotiation process, I would take proactive measures to monitor the process and help to ensure that a spirit of collaboration is exemplified on behalf of BART throughout the process.

**How would you advance equitable public safety? How do you envision police reform within BART's policing services? How do you envision working with BART Police Citizen Review Board? (Please answer all three questions.)**

BART has had its share of tragic events as well as inadequate protections of riders over the years. I intend, if elected to the BART Board for District 8, to make advancing equitable public safety a top priority. Admittedly, this is a sensitive topic and one that I'm still coming up to speed on and speaking to various constituencies about.

I do fully support the Safe Transit Policy that Directors Simon, Josefowitz, Dufty and Saltzman created this year to "ensures that regardless of ethnic or national origin, gender, gender identity, race, religion, sexual orientation or immigration status, riders can count on a safe and secure environment on BART. The policy would also forbid BART from spending its resources to enforce federal immigration law and prohibit BART police officers and employees from questioning riders about their immigration status."

Members of the BART Police Citizen Review Board are responsible for reviewing and monitoring BART's policing services including procedures and practices as well as allegations on misconduct. They are an advisory body to the Board, the GM and the Police Chief.

As a BART Director, I would engage proactively with the BPCRB and ensure that they are adhering to all existing policies that directly advance equitable public safety including the Safe Transit Policy. Part of the role of the BART Director with the BPCRB is to be watchdog, ask the tough questions and get the information needed to make decisions about other steps that needed to be taken by BART to ward off inequity in the system and protect all riders from abuses.

**Please explain your position on maintaining and improving BART's infrastructure, specifically whether you support expanding BART's service throughout the Bay Area versus focus on supporting BART's existing core system. How would you pay for expansions and core system support, given that Measure RR funds are allocated to set projects? (Please answer both questions.)**

It's critical to improve and maintain the BART infrastructure but I believe that maintaining the system's core where most of the riders are is where the funds should be invested. While there are benefits to expansion, funds should be proportionally distributed both to where there are high levels of ridership as well as in areas that are underserved.

I would support any additional regional transportation measures that would bring additional resources to BART. I'm also interested in investigating the possibility of establishing benefit assessment districts in San Francisco to capture additional revenue from the companies that benefit from the service but that do not currently help to fund it. This idea needs more vetting but is an interesting one to explore that other transit districts use to generate additional revenue.

**BART's Board of Directors has only one person of color on this nine-person Board. If you are elected, how will you bring in voices of marginalized communities?**

Similar to my advocacy for an expanded and robust outreach program at the SF Department of the Environment, I would support expansion of outreach programs within underserved communities by establishing better relationships with community organizations and by supporting the development of outreach materials in culturally competent, multilingual materials. I would also champion finding new and innovative ways for marginalized communities to interact with the BART Directors and BART staff knowing that many riders cannot take time off of work to attend a bi-monthly Director meetings during the work week to express their views.

**Please share your thoughts on means based fares to address transit affordability for low income residents.**

I support the the pilot program that was passed at MTC this year "to approve a revised program framework for a Regional Means-Based Fare Program. The program will provide a discount of 20 percent to eligible low-income adults on transit rides for four large Bay Area transit operators — BART, Caltrain, Golden Gate Transit and SFMTA — during a pilot period." While it's clear that the program still needs to be refined and expanded over time, it's a step in the right direction to increase access to low income residents and provide them with transit options that can increase their job opportunities and support low income families staying in the Bay Area.

**Do you support the "Our City, Our Home" tax on gross receipts of businesses to fund homeless services? Yes**

**Do you support the gross receipts tax on transportation network companies (TNCs) and other private transit vehicle services? Yes**

**Who are you supporting for D2 Supervisor?**

<b>Schuyler Hudak</b>	3rd
<b>Nicholas Josefowitz</b>	1st
<b>Catherine Stefani</b>	2nd

**Who are you supporting for D4 Supervisor?**

<b>Gordon Mar</b>	2nd
<b>Trevor McNeil</b>	1st

**Who are you supporting for D6 Supervisor?**

<b>Matt Haney</b>	1st
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**Who are you supporting for D8 Supervisor?**

**Who are you supporting for D10 Supervisor?**

<b>Shamann Walton</b>	1st
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**Who are you supporting for Board of Education?**

Emily Murase

**Who are you supporting for Community College Board?**

Thea Selby, John Rizzo

**Who are you supporting for BART Board, D8?**

Melanie Nutter

**Who did you support for Mayor?**

<b>London Breed</b>	2nd
<b>Jane Kim</b>	3rd
<b>Mark Leno</b>	1st

**Did you support June 2018 Prop C, Tax on Commercial Rent for Child Care & Early Education?**

Yes

**Did you support June 2018 Prop D, Commercial Tax for Housing? No**

**Who did you support for D1 Supervisor?**

<b>Sandra Lee Fewer</b>	1st
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**Who did you support for D3 Supervisor?**

<b>Aaron Peskin</b>	1st
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**Who did you support for D5 Supervisor?**

<b>London Breed</b>	1st
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**Who did you support for D7 Supervisor?**

**Norman Yee** 1st

**Who did you support for D9 Supervisor?**

**Hillary Ronen** 1st

**Who did you support for D11 Supervisor?**

**Kimberly Alvarenga** 1st

**Did you support 2016's Prop D "Let's Elect Our Elected Officials" to have special elections to fill vacancies on the Board of Supervisors? Yes**

**Did you support 2014's Prop G, the anti-speculation tax? Yes**

**Is there anything else you want to tell us? (3000 character limit)**

If elected as the BART Board Director for District 8, I will continue to be an enthusiastic champion and ally for working families, the environment and labor on the Board.

Having started my career as a grassroots political organizer, I am a practical progressive with an open mind and am always learning and deepening my knowledge. I will apply these qualities to my role at the BART Director to help make BART a more sustainable, more equitable transit system for all current and future riders.

As a proactive, solutions-oriented leader and advocate for robust public transportation, I will engage with the BART Management, my fellow Directors, the BART ridership, unions, community organizations and others to ensure that BART infrastructure continues to receive the necessary investments to function optimally while being a strong voice for my district and their needs on the Board.