

Questionnaire:

1. Do you support the current council direction of the Housing Element and the R3 Zoning Update? If not, how should it be changed?

I believe the City Council could and can do better community engagement and outreach. The City is required by the California State Department of Housing and Community Development to complete and update our Housing Element of the General Plan. Work has been underway where the Housing Element Update Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was released in July 2022 and a public hearing on August 3, 2022. While the Housing Element has been submitted to the State and must be adopted by December 2022, I believe that there is an opportunity with the R3 Zoning Update to provide clear, pragmatic, and thoughtful direction. The original purpose of evaluating a R3 Zoning Update was as a displacement strategy to be proactive in addressing neighborhood conditions, create greater diversity of housing types and better outcomes. More work still needs to be done and I look forward to recommendations from the community and our staff.

2. Do you favor amendments to the general and precise plans as an alternative to R3 Zoning Update and the Housing Element?

I am open to evaluating general and precise plan amendments as an alternative to R3. It may be less costly to amend the general plan or precise plans and could be on a case by case basis. The Housing Element Update is a mandate.

3. Which areas of the city do you see as additional opportunities for housing growth and why?

The City is already preparing for housing growth and development throughout the City. Much of the focus for additional opportunities for housing growth has been in the 94043 zip code of the City due to the high number of CSFRA units and properties. Our Housing Element also requires the City Council to look at opportunities for housing throughout the City. I believe we should finish implementing the General Plan areas of focus, which include a Moffett Precise Plan.

4. Do you support a vacancy tax on commercial or residential buildings?

I would be open to exploring a vacancy tax on commercial and residential buildings. Some jurisdictions have used this tax revenue toward affordable housing initiatives with

the tax not applying to principal residences or properties that are rented out for more than half the year.

5. Under what circumstances should developers be allowed to pay in lieu fees rather than build parking for their projects on site?

I have consistently supported parking on site rather than in-lieu fees whenever possible.

6. Would you support an ordinance that requires heritage trees remain in place (absent health and safety issues) when and if development takes place, both commercial and residential? If not, why not?

Yes, I proposed a heritage tree ordinance at the August 30, 2022 City Council meeting. Since November 29, 2010, we have not revised the City of Mountain View ordinance on the Protection of the Urban Forest and it would be good to review it. I believe it should include both commercial and residential as we have heritage trees throughout our City that should be taken into account and preserved. Staff alluded that this could be something that we explore in conjunction with the Parks and Open Space Master Plan which is under way.

7. Do you consider Mountain View's current notification limit of 750 feet sufficient for neighborhood outreach? If not what specific steps would you take to expand and improve outreach to all residents?

I have advocated and will continue to advocate for greater noticing. I have suggested 1,000 feet and I believe community input is essential and of the utmost importance. I would be open to greater dialogue on this topic.

8. Please add anything else that you think we should consider while evaluating you for a Livable Mountain View council endorsement this year.

I sought elective office to serve the community because of my passion for public service and to make the City of Mountain View a great place to live, work, and play. I am running for re-election to continue to bring my collaborative, balanced, and pragmatic approach to tackling the City's most difficult public policy challenges like our housing crisis, addressing transit and infrastructure needs, and mental health. Mountain View is a Community for All and I have prioritized equity based budgeting, creating more parks and open space, and preserving our socioeconomic and ethnic diversity. I was endorsed by Livable MV in 2018 and hope to continue our collaboration and dialogue.