

# SFLCV November 2022 Election Board of Supervisors Questionnaire

Thank you for participating in San Francisco League of Conservation Voters' endorsement process. Please limit answers to the below questions to 2-3 paragraphs at most (250 words). We are accepting responses until June 29, 2022 at 11:59 pm.

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Affordable Housing: What are your top priorities around supporting infill development within your district and throughout the City? How will you respond to pushback from your constituents regarding height, density and affordability? What have you done to advance housing initiatives in your district, neighborhood, SF? Specifically, how did you vote (or would have voted) on both the UCSF Parnassus expansion and the 469 Stevenson project? \*

Affordable housing needs to be more widely available for all San Franciscans. My top priorities around supporting infill development within my district and throughout the City is making sure we continue to create housing for both low-income and working families and that those buildings are sustainable and green. Pushback can always be expected when new construction begins-however, investing in more infill developments is not only environmentally beneficial but also helps our low-income neighbors.

In 2019 I authored an ordinance that brought 744 new homes, 186 permanently affordable homes, and opened a new 175-seat childcare facility at 3333 California Street. In 2020, my legislation created 101 new homes on Geary Boulevard and Masonic Avenue using union labor and provided \$4.5 million in fees to create affordable housing nearby. I will continue fighting for, supporting, and passing affordable housing projects.

I voted yes on the UCSF Parnassus expansion because of its job creation and healthcare innovation. And I also votes yes on the 464 Stevenson project.

Walkable and Bikeable Streets: What are your top priorities for better and safer streets for pedestrians and bicyclists? How do you intend to advance those priorities if elected? How will you work with constituents who are opposed to bike/ped infrastructure improvements in your district (such as traffic calming, bike lanes, and bike share docking stations)? What have you done to champion these efforts up to now? Specifically, how did you vote (or would have voted) on Car Free JFK and Great Highway? \*

One of my top priorities as Supervisor is public safety and securing safer streets for both cyclists and pedestrians is a main part of that. All over San Francisco and very recently in District 2 traffic accidents are getting more common and dangerous. This is unacceptable. I pride myself on being a neighborhood voice at city hall and I will continue to advance the safety of our streets and the protection of cyclists and pedestrians. Community outreach has and will continue to be how I will work with constituents who are opposed to infrastructure improvements.

For example, while working with the Broadway Safety Improvement Project, I ensured that projects that move forward in the District have been thoroughly vetted and agreed upon before proceeding. I voted to keep JFK closed to cars because I believe our citizens deserve a place to enjoy without the worry of dangerous drivers, loud noises, emissions, and traffic. I support the expansion of an affordable and accessible bike share system as well as bike safety upgrades implemented all over the city.

Reliable, Fossil Free Public Transit: What are your top priorities for improving local and regional transit? How would you advance your priorities if elected? What have you done to improve transit operations, access to transit, passenger experience, etc.? Specifically, do you support efforts like SB-917 Seamless Transit Transformation Act? \*

Reliable, safe, and efficient fossil free public transit is imperative to the health of our City and needs to be achieved in order for San Francisco to adhere to climate change and its unpredictability. Not only would it reduce cars on the road and lower emission levels, but it would also make roads safer for all. We can't reduce traffic and congestion on our streets if we don't address the issues facing public transportation. I support the plan for increasing the amount of charging stations for electric cars, and I have worked with the Department on developing San Francisco's Electric Vehicle Roadmap. I am also a member of the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, where I have advocated for more funding for public transit.

I support SB-917 Seamless Transit Transformation Act. I believe it is a great bill and having transit agencies work together to develop an integrated transit fare structure that will work for everyone in the Bay Area is not only equitable and just but extremely beneficial for our environment and air quality.

Green Energy Policy: What are your top priorities for improving energy conservation, household efficiency and renewable power, and how would you advance these efforts? What have you done to promote energy conservation in these areas? Are you, personally, a CleanPowerSF SuperGreen customer? Specifically, what efforts have you participated in to help fund the city's C.A.P. program? \*

My top priorities to improve energy conservation, household efficiency and renewable power is to keep building companies and organizations accountable. In the past June 2022 election I supported Proposition B, which would give more transparency to the Department of Building Inspection and have qualified members of the public serve in board seats and require they go through a public hearing confirmation process.

The ordinance amending the Environment Code to require new construction and major renovations of municipal buildings to exclude natural gas and include exclusively all-electric energy sources was passed unanimously by the Board of Supervisors.

Yes, I am personally a CleanPowerSF SuperGreen customer. I voted to fund the city's C.A.P and I fully support the organization's goal of net zero emissions and its implementation.

**Water Sustainability & Conservation:** What are your priorities for improving the sustainability of San Francisco's drinking and wastewater systems? If elected, what steps will you take to enhance the City's water resiliency and reduce its reliance on imported water? What have you done to promote conservation in this area? Specifically, how did you engage to support conservation efforts regarding the Tuolumne River? \*

My priorities for improving the sustainability of San Francisco's drinking and waste water system is making sure public safety and health is at the top of the list. If re-elected I will continue to fight for to reduce reliance on imported water. My resolution passed declaring the City and County of San Francisco's support for the restoration of the Aquatic Park Pier; and urging the Federal Government to prioritize that National Park Service project for funding through the Great Outdoors Act of 2020 or through some other means.

As aide to former Supervisor Michela Alioto-Pier, I spearheaded our office's efforts to close the toxic, commercial Potrero Power Plant between 2010 and 2011. The Examiner wrote that this plant "belch[ed] air pollution in southeastern San Francisco and scald[ed] Bay water," and I was glad to see it go for the health of the entire city. I also fully support the conversation of the Tuolumne river.

Zero Waste: How can the city advance its Zero Waste goals in light of the temporary (we hope) move to suspend programs such as the required fee for grocery store bags that previously incentivized customers to reuse bags and containers, or purchase foodstuffs from bulk-stocked bins? What are your thoughts around recent legislation to reduce waste and what more can we do? How will you make it happen? What have you done to promote zero waste? \*

One of my top priorities as Supervisor has been keeping the streets clean and safe, and a big part of this is making sure that waste does not end up on our streets and parks or in the Bay. I support much of the work that my colleagues on the Board of Supervisors, as well as Mayor London Breed, have doing around reducing waste in San Francisco - including the proposal to restrict the sale of plastic straws, which I've co-sponsored, as well as the ban on Styrofoam containers.

As an aide to then-Supervisor Mark Farrell, I helped lead the re-launch of GreenFinanceSF, which incentivizes property owners to invest in environmentally friendly upgrades by providing them with favorable rates and terms. As Supervisor, I will continue to champion similar environmental issues. Phasing out fossil fuel investments while investing in our seawall are critical next steps to continue this important work, and I will strongly advocate for these measures as Supervisor.

Your Environmental Vision: Why should the San Francisco League of Conservation Voters endorse you? How will protecting the environment shape your agenda given the potential for ongoing pandemic conditions? With the passage of Prop E the city took over street tree and sidewalk maintenance from homeowners, but the urban canopy is still insufficient both in maintenance and the planting of new trees. What would you do to ensure a robust urban canopy? \*

The San Francisco League of Conversation Voters should endorse me because I am a strong proponent and believer that we need to do more for our environment. San Francisco has always been a leader for rights, but the past couple of years with increased fires, droughts, and worsening air quality-it tells us we are not doing enough. I will always consider the environmental impact in every decision and vote I make. I support fast, reliable, and sustainable transit, the removal of single use plastic, renewable energy, and clean water and air and my voting records support that. What I would do to support a robust urban canopy after homeowners took over street and sidewalk maintenance would be incentives for homeowners to plant trees, flowers, and more to help beautify our city.

I acknowledge that, in addition to a candidate's environmental qualifications and activism, SFLCV will also expressly consider the way in which officials comport themselves, their ability to act with decorum, and respectfully engage with their colleagues and constituents.

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