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HOUSING POLICY

What is your position on affordable housing? Please be specific with regards to policies you support or oppose

I support. Being on the council, I will support our goal of AH.

Do you support modifying city policies or regulations to make it easier and cheaper to build housing? If so, what specific policy changes do you support?

yes. Support Project Home Key, projected Mission Linen site

Do you support requiring that “inclusionary housing” units be made permanently affordable, even upon resale? If not, please explain.

yes.

Do you support requiring developers of hospitality, commercial and industrial projects that significantly increase demand for already scarce housing resources to pay housing impact fees to finance workforce housing or to build such housing themselves?

yes, but needs to be negotiated

How should local governments finance affordable housing?

Project Home Key, general fund

Throughout Monterey County, local governments have approved ~21,000 single family homes that haven't been built, and another ~13,000 are proposed. The median home price in Monterey County is ~\$850,000. Do you support adding more single family homes to the unbuilt pipeline or zoning for more affordable apartments, condominiums, and townhouses?

yes I support both

What other housing policies do you support or oppose?

turning apt into affordable condos

WATER POLICY

What specific proposals do you support to ensure your community can meet its water demands without increasing the overdraft of the County's groundwater aquifers or violating the SWRCB's Cease and Desist Order regarding taking water from the Carmel River?

PG has water for some projects for sale, for example, ADU units. I support desal plant.

For Peninsula Candidates:

Do you support expansion of Pure Water Monterey as an alternative to building the desalination plant approved by the CPUC in 2018 but now stalled before the Coastal Commission? Why or why not? On what estimate of water demand is your position based, the estimate made by MPWMD or by Cal-Am? If you support the Cal-Am desalination project, how large should it be? Who should pay for the excess capacity from the desalination project until demand materializes for its water, Cal-Am shareholders, business ratepayers, or residential ratepayers?

I support. It depends, shareholders should pay

GROWTH POLICIES

Do you support the creation of "urban growth boundaries" or expansion of the existing boundary as a way to prevent urban sprawl, and to insure that future growth is compact, efficient, and protective of the environment? If not, what measures would you support to prevent urban sprawl? If yes, will you sponsor an urban growth boundary in the upcoming year, and make it one of your top three priorities?

Yes, however, it would be determined by the boundry.

Poorly planned, non-infill commercial developments and hotels create more trips and additional vehicle miles traveled on already overcrowded roads and highways. Both residents and visitors pay the price of delay and increased pollution. What specific traffic congestion relief solutions do you support?

underground parking, PG has adopted transportation analysis, MST Surf Project

TRANSPORTATION POLICIES

Do you support roundabouts on Highway 68 and other roads? What other transportation policies or practices have you seen that local governments should incorporate?

yes, see above

CANDIDATE PRIORITIES

If you are elected, what will be your top three priorities?

affordable housing, financially solvent, youth/seniors

What land use policies would you champion for the community?

city asset stewardship. CIP. keep coastline iconic

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

What accomplishments in your career or public service are you most proud of?

Council member 2018 Mayor protem Board of Directors MST, Council Representative to Traffic Commission and Museum Board, Partnership with PG Chamber of Commerce, Former member of Recreation Board, City Rep Police-Community Relations, Financial Subcommittee, Coastal Subcommittee, Board Member/Director Italian Italian Heritage Society/Federation

Experience

4 years PG City Council, Mayor Pretem, (see occupations above)