



Central Valley Progressive- Political Action Committee

Endorsement Questionnaire- Civic Candidates

Candidate Profile:

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CVPPAC Core Values

Please answer YES or NO to the following 3 questions.

1. Climate change is an environmental crisis that must be addressed by decreasing our dependence on fossil fuels and increasing solar, wind and other alternative energy sources.
Yes ☒ X ☐
No ☐
2. Should government enact and/or support increased corporate taxes, increased income taxes on wealthy individuals, taxes on global wealth, and commercial property taxes based on market values to fund services such as childcare, public education, and public health?
Yes ☒ X ☐
No ☐
3. I believe in a woman's right to reproductive freedom and will do what is in my power to keep abortion affordable and legal.
Yes ☒ X ☐
No ☐

City Candidate Questions

Please use no more than 100 words to respond the following.

1. What are your plans to improve your city's transportation services? IMPLEMENT FREE BUS SERVICE FOR STUDENTS AND SENIORS THIS YEAR, DEVELOP DEDICATED BUS LANE ON BRT CORRIDOR, INCREASE FREQUENCY.
2. How will you reduce urban sprawl? I AUTHORED PASSAGE OF INFILL HOUSING INCENTIVES THAT LED TO HUNDREDS OF NEW HOUSING UNITS WITHIN CITY LIMITS AND PUBLIC TRANSIT CORRIDORS. I DEVELOP HOUSING PROJECTS THAT REPURPOSE HISTORIC AND COMMERCIAL VACANT BUILDINGS. I HAVE DECLINED TO RENEW COUNTY/CITY TAX SHARING AGREEMENT THAT PROMOTES GROWTH VIA SPRAWL.
3. Do you support High Speed Rail? Explain why or why not. YES, I TESTIFIED BEFORE HIGH SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY BOARD, CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE AND THE FRESNO CITY COUNCIL TO SECURE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT. TO DATE, HSR, HAS REBUILT SEVERAL FREEWAY INTERCHANGES THAT OTHERWISE WOULD HAVE FAILED, REPAVED MILES OF REPLACEMENT STATE ROUTE 99 AND 41. FINALLY, IT WILL REDUCE THE CARBON FOOTPRINT IN FUTURE YEARS BY PROVIDING CALIFORNIANS AND FRESANANS A BETTER AND CLEANER MODE OF TRANSPORTATION.
4. How should your city address the needs of the homeless population in your city? TO DATE, WE HAVE HOUSED 2,000 UNHOUSED RESIDENTS IN OUR CITY PRIMARILY IN 10 DISTRICT 3 MOTELS I LED TO SECURE, RENOVATE AND TRANSFORM INTO FUTURE PERMANENT HOUSING. WE HAVE ALSO REPLACED TUFF SHEDS WITH PELLET SHELTERS AND INCOMING TINY HOMES THAT PROVIDE DIGNITY FOR OUR UNHOUSED. ADDITIONALLY, WE HAVE SECURED MOBILE RESTROOMS AND SHOWERS TO BE PLACED ACROSS THE CITY. THERE IS MORE WORK TO DO WITH DEVELOPING MORE PERMANENT HOUSING WITH SUPPORT SERVICES FOR OUR UNHOUSED. AS WELL AS MORE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND DRUG ADDICTION FOR THOSE THAT NEED IT A RESPONSIBILITY OF OUR COUNTY OF FRESNO.
5. Describe two ways in which the city council and county supervisors should work together to positively impact your city? THERE ARE THREE SIGNIFICANT AREAS THAT REQUIRE A WILLING COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, HOMELESS SUPPORT SERVICES, INCREASING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND A NEW FAIRER TAX SHARING AGREEMENT FOR NEW CITY ANNEXED PROPERTY.
6. What are your top three priorities for address when elected to the seat you desire? NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING, PROTECT EXISTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING, HOMELESSNESS

Candidate Signature: _____MIGUEL ARIAS_____

(Use the draw function to sign this document. Signing confirms candidate's permission to post responses on CVPPAC website.)

Thank you so much for your time and energy in completing this questionnaire. Your responses will be posted on the CVPPAC website and distributed to CVPPAC members. All completed questionnaire responses are to be submitted to Mike Rhodes at mikerhodes@comcast.net by

11:59 pm Friday, April 1st (without exception). The CVPPAC endorsement meeting will be held on Saturday, April 9th via Zoom.

CVPPAC April Endorsement Meeting

Saturday, April 9th at 3:30PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/92483756535?pwd=b0hCSIVveVB3TDBmM0pZR0VtM1h4UT09>

Meeting ID: 924 8375 6535

Passcode: 814922

Please feel free to contact Simone Cranston-Rhodes at 559-978-4504 or simonecranstonrhodesfta@outlook.com with your questions.

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