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Policy Questions

Please answer the five policy questions below.

Rent Control History and Vehicle Resident History tables are available [here](#) for your reference.

1) Rent Control

Please share your public and private positions on the rent control measures proposed or adopted in Mountain View since 2015 ([see here](#)).

Are you satisfied with current Mountain View rent control policies?

I supported Measure V in 2016 and went door to door for the campaign along with a candidate who also supported the law. I was on the initial Rental Housing Committee and there I took votes supporting the earlier date of implementation, a Maintenance Net Operating Income fair rate of return standard with the all-items CPI index, a mandatory rent registry and subsequent penalties for non-compliance, and mobile home rent stabilization. I helped gather support against the “sneaky repeal” from organizations during the campaign to educate people around the signature gathers. I privately opposed Measure D, but when a negative talking point about the Rental Housing Committee was being used as a reason to support Measure D, I kept that stance private to prevent it from being used as a reason to support the campaign. Once I got on council, I voted to ensure that the people appointed to the committee support the law to the spirit and the letter. In the housing element, the city has committed to study lowering the AGA for mobile home park residents, which I am in support of having in our work plan. I would love to find a way for the city council to work together with the RHC on more tenant protections and the Displacement Response Strategy.

2) Vehicle Residents

Street parking of RVs is currently permitted on some streets following settlement of a lawsuit against the City. When the Measure C settlement

ends, how would you support the residents who are currently living in the three miles which the city must allow? [RV parking ordinance history here.](#)

There are still places where the narrow streets ordinance does not cover, so technically the RVs are allowed to park there even after the settlement expires. However, this is not a permanent solution and it is probably best to transition people out of that living arrangement. We need to expand our safe parking program for more spots and work on finding permanent solutions to get people out of RVs and into permanent supportive housing.

3) Safe Parking

Do we need to continue to provide Safe Parking Lots for RVs?

Would you support providing electricity access to RVs at the Shoreline lot so that there would be less need for generator or natural gas use? [Yes and I would support expanding the safe parking program. I support providing electricity access to the safe parking lots. It makes sense economically and environmentally.](#)

4) Displacement

What policies do you favor to help mitigate or prevent displacement?

What balance are you looking for when it comes to redevelopment and its impact on existing residents? [I have been pushing for a localized one-for-one replacement requirement for rent controlled units similar to the one in SB330. We are currently exploring what a “true right of first return” would entail and I am open to see what policies will come out of that. I support allowing the developer to greatly increase the density of the redevelopment so that it would be financially feasible for the one-for-one replacement requirements.](#)

5) Affordability of new and/or existing housing.

What are your suggestions to increase the affordability of new or existing housing?

[On a basic level, I support building more housing at all levels of affordability. Housing is expensive because it is rare. I supported RM-4, which was a regional ballot measure to fund affordable housing, which is unfortunately not moving forward, but I will support future ballot measures for affordable housing. To preserve naturally occurring affordable housing \(NOAH\), I support the Community Ownership Action Plan, which will help set up a program for](#)

more localized community led developers who would be able to have small/scattered site acquisitions and developments, like Community Land Trusts (CLTs), Community Development Corporations (CDCs) and Limited equity Co-Ops.