



Neighbors United For Fullerton (NUFF) is a nonpartisan organization committed to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in the city of Fullerton, CA through political action. NUFF offers public forums which provide information of community interest and opportunities for civic involvement. Membership in NUFF is open to anyone interested in making a difference in the community in which we live and work.

NUFF FULLERTON CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 11PM PDT on September 25, 2018 to endorsements@nuffpac.org

Note: ONLY electronic submissions will be accepted.

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City Council District #: 5

Indicate one of the following by checking the appropriate box:

- I do not plan to request NUFF's endorsement, so I am not responding to the questions.
- XXXX I am submitting the questionnaire and would appreciate receiving NUFF's endorsement upon approval of the membership.**

If you are seeking NUFF's endorsement, please answer the following questions in your own words. Your responses will be shared with NUFF's membership as the basis for their endorsement vote (space provided is not intended to limit the length of your response; use the space you need).

1. What is your vision for Fullerton?

Create more of a business-friendly environment while balancing the needs of the individuals to give them better streets, education and equal representation.

2. Why are you running and what impact do you think you will have, if elected?

My reasons for running and the impact I have is twofold:

- 1) Personal Experience as a resident of the 5th District: I have been a resident of the 5th District for 6 years. I understand the concerns of Fullerton residents, including public safety, education and roads and infrastructures within the district. My personal experience drives my desire to make this District just as great as any other district and to make Fullerton the more desirable place to live in Orange County.
- 2) Business Representation: As a business attorney, I have the honor of representing businesses in the City of Fullerton. I understand the Chambers of Commerce is an important institution because it is what allows small businesses that get through the red tape and people who are in control of business development. I understand importance and value of a local business as it is the small businesses like local groceries stores that generate the revenue for the city. I understand that better than anyone because my career is mostly dedicated to businesses, including pro bono work. The other candidates are film makers, developers and doctors. No other candidate understands the interest of businesses in Fullerton like I do.

3. What do you hope to accomplish?

- Find funding for improvements to our roads and infrastructures.
- Find funding to equip our schools with better resources and to promote other districts to enroll in the 5th District's open schools.
- Find ways to alleviate the hurdles and conservative views in promoting local business growth.
- Curb the homeless population by working with neighboring cities and creating regulated shelters while still ensuring the safety and quality of life of Fullerton residents.
- Create civilian oversight and working relationships with our law enforcement agencies.
- Find ways to reconstruct the city's budget to fund other areas in need, including supplementing enforcement of public safety through over avenues than only using the police department.

4. Please share your thoughts on the following:

- a. Fullerton's Parks: Parks are essential to instill family values, independence and promotion of health. Our children, including those in more urban neighborhoods deserve parks to seek breathing room and stress relief. But these parks need to be properly maintained and safe, especially those parks in the 5th District.

I have had the experience of living on Truslow Avenue directly across the street from Union Park. Union Park has been shut down for more than 6 years. It is my understanding this park is now up for sale by the city. Having been personally deprived of a park in my former neighborhood for 6 years is unacceptable. It is also unacceptable for the city to attempt to sell this property without input and consideration from the community. This is true for all parks in Fullerton should they be considered for other uses.

- b. West Coyote Hills (development, Measure W results and city response):

I am for saving all 510 acres of West Coyote Hills. I believe that Coyote Hills should be preserved, and we should reduce city business dealings with selling city property without residential input.

- c. Development Policies:

Development is a part of growth and an essential component of building our community. While I strongly believe we need to create a more business friendly government within Fullerton, including approving development, this must be balanced with the needs, concerns and input of the community. District 5 being very industrial is need of representation that is going to be the liaison between District 5 Fullerton residents and development projects before they are approved.

- d. Road and other infrastructure repairs:

There is no doubt that the roads within District 5 are full of uneven pavement and potholes. District 5 is unfortunately aesthetically different than other districts. We need to reconstruct the budget in areas, such as a law enforcement, to free up more funds for better roads and infrastructure. Overall, there needs to be an affirmative plan to generate or reserve funding in this area.

e. The Hunt Library:

I would consider not restoring services at Hunt Library. The Fullerton Library located in downtown is already amazing and centrally located. Hunt Branch's location is great for additional park/recreational uses, which is much needed in District 5.

f. Homelessness:

The homeless population in Fullerton, especially in the 5th District is in desperate need. We should be requesting assistance from our neighboring cities rather than housing the homeless in Fullerton. Shelters within Fullerton are in our near future with more regulations and rules regarding a homeless resident's mental health, drug addiction and efforts of employment. It makes no economic sense to spend the limited money we have in our budget to house the homeless with no efforts ensuring they are getting the help they need while putting the public's safety at risk.

5. Is there anything you would like to add?

- a. We need to create a business-friendly government. Every person in Fullerton should have the opportunity to generate income for both their family and community. As a business attorney representing local businesses in Fullerton, I understand the red tape that comes with business growth. I strive to take my experience and knowledge to create a friendly relationship with Fullerton business and the city.
- b. We are in need of oversight of our law enforcement in Fullerton. Civilian oversight provides transparency to Fullerton citizens and creates a much-needed check and balance.
- c. The responses provided herein are based on limited information. If I were elected as a councilmember I would uphold my duty to make fully informed decisions on the information, facts and commentary of Fullerton residents.