

TWO INCUMBENTS GIVE UP COUNCIL SEATS TO VIE FOR DUBLIN LEADERSHIP



For the first time in Dublin history, two sitting Councilmembers will run for Mayor in Dublin at the expiration of their respective City Council seats. The move by Councilmembers Arun Goel and Melissa Hernandez means that one of the two will lose their position and provide opportunity for two new faces on the City Council.

VICE MAYOR



ARUN GOEL

I am Arun Goel, currently your Vice Mayor and running to be your Mayor at the City of Dublin. I have been a Dublin resident for over 17 years, raising a family with three children in the Dublin Unified School District (one who recently graduated) and commuting to work daily (before COVID-19). I embody the typical working resident of Dublin. Having worked both in the public and private sectors for nearly 20 years, I have gained experience through serving as a union officer, working on policy, delivering public facilities that many residents utilize today, and being on the Dublin Planning Commission. I share and reflect on a broader, more achievable vision for the long-term benefit of Dublin, its residents, businesses, future residents, and consumers. One of my key pillars in the campaign is to work on Economic Development, our local businesses are hurting as a result of the global pandemic. As a city, we need to develop a partnership

and bring to fruition a round-table conversation to understand the true needs of businesses to survive, and stride in a regional market. To create opportunities, we need to inform, educate, and advertise the needs of local businesses to comprehend how the city can help. Also, options such as funding and investing to meet new demands (such as ordinances and seating capacity) and addressing financial issues can be presented to benefit businesses. In addition, I will be focused on bringing technology companies to set up offices in Dublin, creating jobs in Dublin, reduce the commute for Dublin residents that work in high-tech, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and keep revenue generators in our City. For more details on the core pillars of my campaign, please visit www.arunformayor.com, call me at 510-673-0482, or email me at arun@arunformayor.com.

COUNCILWOMAN



MELISSA HERNANDEZ

We continue to be a growing city that has had a long tradition of strong leaders who believe in civil discourse while solving challenging issues. I will be committed to continuing this tradition to keep our community the great place we love. I want Dublin to adopt smart growth policies and I will support projects that continue to preserve our New American Backyard. I spearheaded a micro-loan program for existing businesses who need a hand and will work to attract new neighborhood-serving businesses that revitalize and stabilize our community. Implement the Downtown Preferred Vision Plan which will add the needed infrastructure to Downtown Dublin. I am honored to be supported by Dublin's First Responders and Alameda County Firefighters, and will ensure Dublin is prepared to keep our residents safe. Reduce traffic which affects our quality of life and the air we breathe. I will work to preserve Dublin's beautiful open spaces for future generations—and fight Sacramento so we maintain Dublin's local control over our own housing and growth decisions. I will seek opportunities to ensure that future development in Dublin provides benefits to our schools. Serving on thirteen regional boards and

commissions has prepared me to serve as Mayor. I have expertise in economic development, transportation, utilities, education, liaison to our local military and veterans, and high-level relationships with all of our neighboring cities. I have put in the work to earn the confidence of our business community and the citizens of Dublin. A frequent concern I hear from my neighbors is: traffic, traffic, traffic. Traffic affects our quality of life and clean air—Dublin must be prepared to address these challenges into the future. As a mother, and parent of Dublin students, I know that maintaining our excellent quality schools makes us a stronger community. I will work collaboratively with our school leaders as they make decisions to address overcrowding and maintain optimal class sizes. I will seek opportunities to ensure that future development in Dublin provides benefits to our schools, and I will commit to supporting the health and wellness of our students and teachers during these uncertain times. For more information about my vision for Dublin contact me at melissaformayor.com

BUSINESS OWNER



REGINA PANGELINAN

Hello, my name is Regina! I'm 47 years young ~ a small business owner. I served most of my professional career in our U.S. Military, Dept. of Justice & Dept. of Homeland Security. Patriot to our glorious country. Everyone is living under stress, pressure and uncertainty, these are precarious times... I am **NOT** asking for monetary contributions. I do **NOT** want anyone hosting a social distancing booster event for me. I will **NOT** have anyone knock on doors to ask for votes. I will **NOT** entertain negativity and smear campaigns especially toward those running for Mayor. **NO** to high-density housing projects. **NO** to traffic. **YES** to Kolb Park

remodeling and events. **YES** to completing our second high school. **YES** to increase community sports/activities. **YES** to working closely w/DUSD to help plan programs for DHS after the second high school is completed. **YES** to recycling. **YES** to affordable & senior housing. **YES** to improve Senior/Elderly quality of life. My commitment is for Dublin to once again thrive in an everyday fashion. HAPPY, HEALTHY (mentally, physically, emotionally) and SAFELY **Unite Dublin. VOTE for Regina!!!** To personally contact me go to Regina4dublinmayor@gmail.com

NINE CANDIDATES VIE TO RESHAPE MAKEUP OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL

Mayor David Haubert's run for Alameda County Supervisor has set off a chain reaction which has eight first-time candidates running for two open seats. With sitting Councilmembers Arun Goel and Melissa Hernandez running for Haubert's Mayor position, Dublin will have the biggest turnover in the City's history.



RAZI HASNI

I love our Dublin and its people, and I thoroughly enjoy living and working here. While owning and operating a

local real estate franchise has given me solid understanding of our great city's different neighborhoods and their unique charms, building a regional fitness franchise in Joya Yoga has provided me with a unique understanding of our community and how to best serve its needs. Uniting behind the idea that small business is not only essential but is the gateway to a post Covid-19 recovery is key to our city's long-term success. I will work hard to provide America's New Back Yard with a strong, vibrant and diverse business sector. From supporting local law enforcement community outreach programs to promoting better communication with DUSD and its board and protecting our parks and spaces, I hope to earn your votes and serve our community to the best of my abilities. Razi4Dublin2020.com



SHERRY HU

Since choosing Dublin as our forever home over a decade ago, my husband and I have enjoyed our home here.

Dublin is facing many challenges today, including community health and safety, fast-paced growth, and short-term economic downturn. My PhD in Architectural Engineering and my background as an Assistant Professor and founder of businesses and non-profits all equip me to take on these challenges. If elected, I will work with our community to ensure smart and sustainable city growth, increase high paying jobs and rejuvenate small businesses. I will be an independent leader, will always be accessible to you and will represent your best interest. Please visit www.sherryhu.com to learn more or contact me.



SHAWN COSTELLO

I am an activist, an advocate and someone who has been committed to make Dublin a better, more inclusive

place for 34 years. I represent the City on the Human Services Commission and serve on the Advisory boards of the Wheels bus service, the Paratransit Advisory Planning Committee, and the Regional Center for the East Bay Consumer Advocate Committee. I am also running to show other disabled people that they can also run for office and not be afraid to be who they are no matter what their disability. We can all make a difference in the world. While my primary advocacy is for accessibility and programs for the disabled, I recognize that Dublin has issues with growth, traffic and our schools. I promise to be a thoughtful and watchful voice for the citizens of Dublin. I am committed to Dublin and ask for your support and your vote for City Council.



SAMIR QURESHI

My admiration for this city has sparked my motivation to be a part in improving the quality of life here. I am running for

City Council with the intent to improve economic development, boost city and school collaboration, promote smart and sustainable growth, address traffic concerns, focus on public safety and unite the Dublin community. I also want to emphasize that I will be focusing on resolving issues while considering the current pandemic circumstances. I strongly believe in collaborating with other colleagues to accomplish our goals. I will maintain strong communication with fellow council members, city staff, school district and community members to achieve our goals. Please visit samirfordublin.com or contact me personally at samirq@gmail.com



MICHAEL MCCORRISTON

I will focus on fiscal sustainability for Dublin, supporting local businesses and supporting initiatives that create

local employment opportunities and services of our struggling residents. I will work for smart development, to ensure Dublin's infrastructure needs are met, focusing on strategies that reduce traffic and overcrowding, while preserving remaining open space and conserving natural resources. I will support affordable housing so that Dublin teachers, essential workers, new families and seniors can afford to live here. Learn more about me at www.mike4dublin2020.com and contact me at m.mccorrison@comcast.net.



DAWN PLANTS

I'm a 40 year Dublin resident, who worked in development and construction for years, so have the experience

and insight to protect our community. As a member of the Dublin Planning Commission, I have seen the problems first hand. Small business is the backbone of Dublin and survived the recession. Trying to top retail with residential hasn't worked, as Aston clearly shows. Dublin is a classic California suburb, not New York. Our local businesses have survived without unsolicited concepts, knowing what their customers want. Long term relationships made with the community are what make Dublin unique. Covid's impact to local business has been brutal. Rest assured the community is ready and waiting to support their comeback. For more information about my campaign contact me at dawnplants.com



SRI MUPPIDI

Hi, I'm Sri Muppidi. A Bay Area native and a resident of the Tri-Valley area for more than 20 years, I'm proud to

call Dublin my home. I have a strong background that makes me a good fit to support Dublin's economic growth. I currently work in venture capital, previously worked on economic development at the US Federal Reserve and World Bank and studied economics and technology at Stanford University. My priorities for Dublin include supporting local businesses as they adapt and recover from Covid-19's disastrous impact, implement user-friendly design for permits and licenses to attract and retain businesses, seek out appropriate corporate partnerships, and help boost local employment with workforce development programs and entrepreneurship bootcamps. I also plan to efficiently execute on the community's plan to bring a Town Square to Dublin's downtown and continue to foster Dublin's strong sense of community through my work. Please visit srimumpiddi.com to learn more.



LUCRECIA CAROLINA DELEON

My name is Lucrecia Carolina DeLeon and I go by "Carolina". Like many of

Dublin's residents, I am a business owner, mother of a Gen-Zer, and I have called the City of Dublin my home for more than 16 years. Dublin is a great city to live, work, and raise a family. It is constantly growing and changing, and it is important we grow and change with it. Now more than ever, our city needs leaders who will lead with integrity and represent ALL of its diverse community members. I promise to be that leader by supporting procedures and policies that promote accessibility, foster inclusion, and encourage diversity. I promise to be a SMART leader as I do the work to find thoughtful solutions for the challenges we face as a community; including, special interests being placed before the public's interests during housing development projects and the consequences of a lack of coordination between the city and school district. As your city council member, I will bring the energy our city needs and I will advocate for YOU! Visit me at VoteDeLeon2020@gmail.com and VoteDeLeon2020.org



KASHEF QAADRI

With 65,000 residents calling Dublin home, I promise to be the voice for each and every one of you. I promise

to represent you with integrity and competence! My plan is simple: let's improve our safety & well-being, our resilience to deal with various circumstances, and our economic and environmental sustainability. As a scientist by training who has led multiple bioinformatics organizations across multiple facets, I am able to quickly understand & navigate through complex problems and deliver simple and practical solutions. This experience will be a strong foundation to enhance Dublin's fiscal responsibility and collaborate with neighboring cities. Through community engagement, exploration and innovation, we will allocate resources prudently while working to drive growth. Impact cannot be achieved by simply looking to cut budgets, but rather by building Dublin's resiliency for the future and directly and confidently addressing issues such as improving neighborhood safety; attracting, supporting, and diversifying businesses; and improving our vast outdoor spaces. To contact me about my campaign visit qaadri4dublin.com.

DUBLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD STRIVES FOR STABILITY

DISTRICT 3
CATHERINE KUO

Running Unopposed



KRISTIN PELHAM

DISTRICT 1

My career has been dedicated to making a difference in the lives of students and families. As a 20-year special education teacher in a neighboring district, I know how important it is to have good leadership on our school board. As an 18-year Dublin resident and parent of two Dublin students, I have also built relationships in our parent community. I am an active district volunteer serving on the Boundary Committee, High School Naming Committee, and LCAP Committee. I was honored to be a member of the district leadership team that visited the Museum of Tolerance to build cultural proficiency and develop a plan to increase equity. We must prepare students for lifelong learning, recruit and retain excellent teachers and staff, communicate well and broaden our community representation, and be fiscally responsible. Students have always been my focus as an educator. As your Trustee, I will ensure that every decision we make puts students first. It would be an honor to serve you on the school board. kristin4dublin.org

DAWN NWAMUO



I am running for Dublin School Board to bring a fresh perspective and drive positive change. As a Medical Doctor, a high quality educational system was a critical component in my ability to be academically competitive. The pandemic has brought new challenges and risks, so we must ensure that all students have the resources to provide support, encouragement, and a healthy learning environment to thrive. I am a champion for diversity, equity, and inclusion on all levels. I am focused on advocating for marginalized students and equal opportunities for students regardless of race, socioeconomic status and disabilities (including physical and learning disabilities). Diversity is more important than ever to ensure everyone's voice is heard, valued, and respected. I am deeply vested in ensuring the quality and safety of our schools. The City of Dublin is culturally diverse, and our school leadership should be reflective of this diversity and our schools should serve all. Leveraging technology is key to emerging as leaders in education and the pandemic shines a spotlight on this critical need. dawn4dublin.com



GABI BLACKMAN

DISTRICT 4

As your Trustee for Area-4, and a proud member of our community for 15 years, I am committed to working with you to further strengthen our schools. With 3 children in Dublin Schools, I personally understand the challenges our students and families face, and take the Board position and responsibility it entails seriously. I bring my extensive public-process and management expertise in serving as your voice on the Dublin School Board. I am passionate about education and strive to ensure campuses are safe, that we meet our growth needs, and that our education system excels in preparing students for success in the global economy. For over 10 years I have advocated for our children at both School Board and City Council meetings, to remedy the impact growth is having on our schools. I've campaigned for the 2nd High School, supported modernization of our older schools, and advocated for equity at Cottonwood Creek K-8 School. Currently serving on the District's LCAP Advisory Committee and Technology Committee, I champion the needs of our students. I've helped to foster a greater level of communication and community outreach to better serve the needs of all Dubliners. Learn more at: gabi4schoolboard.com

MICHAEL UTSUMI



I believe in Dublin Schools and the high-quality education this District offers our children and I have demonstrated that belief by my actions, work and advocacy for more than 15 years, occupying many roles including: parent volunteer, School Site Council chair at three different campuses, advocate, fundraiser and community partnership coordinator, helping to bring hundreds of thousands of dollars into Dublin classrooms. I have both the extensive experience and perspective necessary to serve DUSD as the Trustee for Area 4. Our Board must lead by example in demonstrating trust and stability, creating opportunities for collaboration and consensus and ensuring that we actively listen and respond to the needs of our community. We must continue to prioritize the academic success of all students as well as their social and emotional wellness. We must provide teachers, leaders and staff the resources they need to weather this difficult time and move our District forward. DUSD will be put to the test on many levels over the next decade. I am prepared right now to be a leader on the Board, a champion for all students and would be honored to have your vote on November 3. Learn more: www.michaelutsumi.com



DUBLIN SAN RAMON SERVICES DISTRICT

MARISOL RUBIO – DISTRICT 1

Hello, my name is Marisol Rubio. I have a B.A. in Molecular and Cell Biology from the University of California at Berkeley and am a proud parent and Health Care Provider for the past 25 years. I am running for the Dublin San Ramon Services District in District 1 because, now more than ever, we need creative scientific, cost-efficient solutions to meet our increasingly complex water demand. Since 2008, we have a 20 percent reduction in water through the Delta and over the next 10 years we anticipate having droughts similar to those in 2014 and 2015 once every 10 years. I will ensure that we have clean, affordable water through an advanced purification system; a fiscally strong budget plan equipped to meet and maintain our growing water demand and infrastructure, while keeping our water rates steady; a sound water management plan that provides local solutions with greater local oversight, optimizes our resources, and lowers our environmental impact; and an ongoing reduction of PFAS in our treated water from Zone 7 groundwater wells. You can learn more about me at www.MarisolforDSRSD.com. Thank you.

RICHARD HALKET – DISTRICT 3



My experience as a CPA and finance and human resources executive for a solar energy systems manufacturer gives me the background to make a financially sustainable, efficient utility. In my public accounting practice, I worked in the enterprise software industry and ten years in hydrogeology consulting. I received a Bachelor of Science in geology from Stanford University and a Master of Science in hydrology from Washington State University. I have served the community and DSRSD since 2004, serving as Board President three times. I work closely with our neighboring communities to enhance water service; sitting on the Tri-Valley Water Liaison, City of Dublin Liaison, City of Pleasanton Liaison and Zone 7 Water Agency Liaison committees. I am proud of my long service to the community and the development of DSRSD as a premier water and sewer service provider in the Bay Area. I look forward to continuing to make DSRSD even better in providing a sustainable, economical and efficient service provider. Thank you for your support.

District Elections for DSRSD, Dublin Unified and San Ramon

Up to this point in time, local city's and political bodies such as school boards and water agencies chose their Board members on an "At-Large" basis, drawing votes from the entire community. What was once reserved for very large cities, "District-Elections" are coming to a community near you. The California Voting Rights Act (CVRA), passed by the Legislature in 2001, has caused jurisdictions to be sued if they elect their governing body using an at-large, from-districts, or mixed election system. While originally intended to correct gerrymandering and gross inequities, the low thresholds in the law make it applicable to nearly every single elected body in the State. Some cities have fought to keep their elections systems; only to run up six-figure attorney bills in a losing cause. Smaller cities and districts cannot defend themselves and don't even try. Locally, the City of San Ramon and Dublin-San Ramon Services District (DSRSD) will have District elections for the first-time; joining the Dublin Unified School District on the November, 2020 ballot. So don't expect to see all your favored candidates on your ballot; your choice will typically be for only one board or councilmember. The wisdom of this over-reaching law will be debated for years; but, doubtful there will be a revision in Sacramento in the near term. As long as the public is aware, they can still successfully support their favored candidates.

CENSUS 101

Taking part is your civic duty.

Completing the census is required: it's a way to participate in our democracy and say "I COUNT!"



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YOUR CHAMBER RECOMMENDS

Your Chamber voting guide on the following propositions

PROPOSITION 15 – OPPOSE

PROP 15 would raise commercial real estate taxes under the guise of more funding to schools. The tax increase comes from repealing portions of Proposition 13. Commercial property would no longer be taxed based on its purchase price, but instead would be taxed based on its market value with no caps or limitations. Proposition backers claim that small business property owners will be exempt from PROP 15. Thru a complicated formula, if someone owns more than one property, the exemption does not apply. The threshold is \$3 million, total! Try owning commercial property in the Bay Area with a gross value under \$3 Million. This exemption is given that few will qualify for. Approximately 80% of California small businesses do not own, but rent, the property in which they operate. Property taxes are passed through to them in their rental rates or in "net leases," which obligate the tenant to pay the property taxes. The effect is small business will bear the cost of the new taxes. Agricultural land is exempt, but not fixtures and improvements on the land, like barns, buildings, and virtually all the facilities farmers need to move products. Livermore Wine Country will be hit hard. Consumers will see the result in higher food prices. PROP 15 is opposed by more than 100 local Chambers of Commerce and small business associations. At this time of COVID pandemic when small business is being hit hard, PROP 15 is a bad choice for California.

PROPOSITION 20 – SUPPORT

The ballot initiative would make specific types of theft and fraud crimes, chargeable as misdemeanors or felonies, rather than misdemeanors. The ballot initiative would require persons convicted of certain misdemeanors that were classified as wobblers or felonies before 2014, to submit to the collection of DNA samples for state and federal databases. Changes in state law in 2014 lessened thresholds for what is a felony and what is a misdemeanor. The unintended consequences have brought a scourge of "petty" and nuisance crime all over the State of California. The criminals know the "limits" and organized and unorganized crime has run rampant. Police are working with two hands tied behind their back, as serial criminal activity has increased dramatically. A "Yes" on Prop 20 can return some balance to the justice system, greatly helping businesses and law-abiding citizens alike.

PROPOSITION 21 – OPPOSE

Another rent-control measure meant to allow local governments greater authority to influence rental housing stock. Amends state law to allow local governments to establish rent control on residential properties over 15 years old. Allows local limits on annual rent increases to differ from current statewide limit. Allows rent increases in rent-controlled properties of up to 15 percent over three years at start of new tenancy (above any increase allowed by local ordinance). Construction unions, Business leaders, Tax-Payer Groups, Senior Advocates all oppose Prop 21 as unnecessary and ultimately works to REDUCE the available rental stock in California. Join the California Chamber of Commerce in opposing Prop 21.