



City Clerk's Office

Municipal Election November 3, 2020 Candidate Information

Office Sought: Mayor

Candidate's Name: David E. "Dave" Hudson

Ballot Designation: City of San Ramon Council Member

Candidate Statement of Qualifications
For the General Election to be held November 3, 2020
(Elections Code 13307, 13309, and 13311)

Instructions to Candidate: Your statement will be printed exactly as submitted. Carefully check for content, spelling, punctuation and grammar before submission. No changes are allowed once the statement is filed.

This form must be filed along with the candidate statement.

In addition to filing a hardcopy, you will need to submit your final candidate statement in an editable text format to the following email address: cfranco@sanramon.ca.gov

Hard copy must bear signature.

Office Name: SAN RAMON MAYOR Contest ID: _____ Candidate ID: 1425679

Word Limit: 400 • Cost: \$ 1751.00 • Paid By: Candidate District

Candidate Name: DAVID E. "DAVE" HUDSON

I have reviewed the attached statement and I understand that no corrections or changes are allowed after it has been filed (pursuant to EC 13307). I understand that Contra Costa County is mandated under the Voting Rights Act to provide voting materials and information in English, Spanish, and Chinese.

I do not wish to file a Candidate Statement.

Dated 7/13/2020 Signature of Candidate 

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I have a solid record of experience and action. As the senior member of the city council, I served as Mayor, Vice Mayor four times and on the original Charter City Commission. Represented you on open space committees, local and regional transportation authorities, and school volunteer and support groups.

My Experience as Mayor

On 9/11/2001, I received one of those emergency telephone calls that all mayors dread. I rushed over to city hall and met with the City Manager and Police Chief concerning San Ramon residents and the events unfolding in New York City. We watched the attack on the Twin Towers and learned of the heroism on UAL Flight 93. It was my responsibility to protect San Ramon families from an overly aggressive news media and others who wanted to draw attention where it did not belong. That day I learned about overcoming limitations and who performs in a *real* emergency.

Challenging Times

Today with the Corona virus, social lockdowns, and protest marches; we need to ask ourselves, "Who is most likely to provide leadership in these challenging times?" Fundamentally; how is the city going to balance the budget while maintaining basic city services including police and fire to protect our homes and families?

Practical Experience

I was an early advocate for San Ramon to have its' own police department (2007) and police chief. I continue to support prudent fiscal policies that enable us to achieve and maintain our AAA bond/credit rating. I was Chairman of the Contra Costa Transportation Authority when the state tried to take our money for the construction of the Caldecott Tunnel (fourth bore). I am most proud of the role I played in getting Dougherty Valley High School built six years early and Bella Vista Elementary School open (not in original plan).

Building Relationships

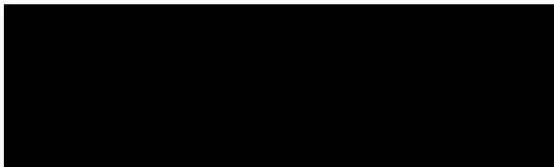
In California, cities have to compete for transportation money and essential services. My experience with the League of California Cities, East Bay Regional Park District, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, transportation boards and building public/private partnerships has taught me that success is often based on consensus building, embracing diversity and personal relationships.

My Priorities

If elected Mayor, I will continue my work for

- Transportation solutions
- Schools & education
- Safe and crime free community
- Quality of life

If you have any questions e-mail me at dhudsonsr@att.net or call me and Barb at our home 925 828 5578.



7/15/2020