

**The Grassroots Democratic Club  
of San Francisco's East Side**

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Would you support a **regressive (or "flat") tax**, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax?

No that is regressive, not progressive

In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to **close San Francisco's projected budget deficits** that loom in the coming years? Progressive taxation is the answer

2. What is your position on **the sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier? Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why. I am opposed to it because of selective enforcement, there are already rules regarding loitering
3. Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' **ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement**, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010?  
Yes I support David Campos' and his fair efforts.
4. Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC. The main purpose of the DCCC is to register voters to elect Democrats, I have valuable experience as a political campaign organizer to do just that. Further, I will support issues/ candidates that promote social, economic, and environmental justice.

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I oppose them all.

Would you support a **regressive (or "flat") tax**, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax?

Taxes in San Francisco should be lowered, not raised.

In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to **close San Francisco's projected budget deficits** that loom in the coming years?

Cut staff everywhere, lower salaries, prohibit overtime for administrators, eliminate pay for used vacation time and comp time. Reduce the number of people making more than \$100,000.00 a year.

2. What is your position on **the sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier? Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why.

I support it. No one should be able to use a public space to the exclusion of others. Sidewalks are called that not sidelies or sidesits or sidesleeps or sideclogs.

3. Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' **ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement**, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010?

All citizens of the United States should obey the laws of the United States and that includes employees of the City and County of San Francisco.

4. Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC.

I am running to introduce some moderation into the DCCC. It only represents a segment of San Francisco citizens and the middle class families and moderates need some representation as well. I am also running to prove that an old, white, straight, moderate male is not an extinct human being in the San Francisco Democratic Party.

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**What is your position on new, progressive tax measures in general?**

*In general, I support progressive taxation measures. From my experience as a Member of the San Francisco Board of Education, we have benefited greatly from progressive taxes from the citizens of San Francisco that support our schools, students, and staff. The citizens of San Francisco voted above the 2/3's majority needed when the proposed tax was progressive.*

Would you support the following progressive taxes:

*(a) a gross receipts tax - YES; (b) a (tiered) parcel tax - YES; (c) an omnibus tax on certain luxury commodities - YES; (d) a second-home tax - MOST LIKELY YES; (e) a property transfer tax - YES; and (f) a 2% increase in the hotel tax -*

**Would you support a regressive (or "flat") tax, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax?**

*I would listen to information about a proposed benefits/disadvantages of what a "flat tax" could do for San Francisco. A percentage increase in our sales tax would affect all persons, not just those visiting San Francisco, so I'd have to hear how that would impact working class and families on the lower range of the socio-economic spectrum.*

**In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to close San Francisco's projected budget deficits that loom in the coming years?**

*A) I believe that some of the above mentioned progressive tax measures would help greatly.*

*B) I also believe that addressing MUNI's issues immediately by 1) MTA Commissioners (4-Board of Sup appointments and 3-Mayoral Appointments), 2) Work with Union to negotiate a fair wage contract*

for employees that "must" deal with the public, manage traffic, and keep time schedules, 3) Call for an outside/independent audit of the financial health of MUNI, schedules/prices, and its service routes.

2. What is your position on **the sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier? Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why.

*I'm opposed to the sit/lie ordinance proposed by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier. I truly believe that there are already laws that address any persons blocking entrances to shopping venues or thoroughfares. This is just a thinly veiled attack on our homeless, indigent, unemployed youth/transitional-aged youth populations that have no other place to be in the city. Since San Francisco has (over the years) closed public restrooms, removed public benches and open spaces across the city, and limited areas in public parks for people to sit or rest, the next most reasonable place to be in on the sidewalk, although it may not be the most desirable place to be. I proudly display NO ON SIT/LIE POSTERS in my front windows for all to see.*

3. Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' **ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement**, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010?

*Yes, I absolutely support the statute and enforcement of the loop-hole closed/strengthened ordinance written by Supervisor Campos! I've co-authored the Board of Education's supportive 2009 Resolution authored by Supervisor David Campos. I'm grateful for Supervisor Campos' courage in the midst of unfounded attacks on his character and commitment to this City and all of its residents, particularly our youth (be they documented or undocumented). He is an example that others aspiring to supervisory office should seek to emulate.*

4. Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC.

*I'm running for the DCCC (AD13) so a public education conversation can be incorporated in and elevated to San Francisco's discussion of at-large issues. Public schools' well-being, funding framework, and processes are in most part an afterthought at the Democratic party's table. SF public schools support 56,000+ children, their families, and staff of more than 4,500 employees including the CBOs that are at our school sites, equal a large portion of the SF constituents. Their issues are the city's issues: sustained economic independence, affordable housing (home owners or renters), youth development, community safety, and accessible quality healthcare. Education's perspective shouldn't be a mystery or guessing game and I want to make certain that it isn't.*

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1. I support progressive taxes. For instance, I think we could ask downtown business to pay a special fee for the SF Muni buses and trains – since most everyone who rides Muni downtown is going to work, to shop, or to see an attorney or other professional.

Perhaps we could also have a ballot measure to raise money to repair the streets, with a larger fee for car owners. Since most motorists are upset with the potted concrete, they might eagerly vote for it.

I would not support an increase in the sales tax, because it already greatly boosts the cost of items, such as clothing and household needs, essential to low-income people.

2. I oppose the proposed Sit-Lie ordinance. Its supporters say the police will enforce it only for people who are a problem. If so, the police already have laws for unruly and unlawful conduct on the street, so we don't need a new law leaving it up to the individual judgment of police officers. Also, it might be used again the homeless, when we should be providing more housing, not more jail space for them.

3. I support Supervisor Campos' ordinance regarding arrests of juvenile immigrants. California belonged to Mexico before we declared war against Mexico in the mid 1800s and made Mexico sell us California through Texas for \$15 million and took five years to pay Mexico. So I can't resent any Latinos who come here.

4. I've been a political volunteer since Adlai Stevenson's presidential campaign in 1952. I served as State Women's Chair of the California Democratic Party in the 1960s and as Chair of the San Francisco Democratic Party 2002-2004 – and I ran headquarters for Jack Morrison and George Moscone for Supervisor, Phil Burton for Assembly, Edmund G. Brown Sr. for Governor, and Alan Cranston for U.S. Senator.

I decided early on that if you work to elect and influence the right public officials, you can accomplish your humanitarian goals more effectively than if you spend your volunteer hours working for one or more charities that you believe in. (My number one organization is the SF Food Bank.) SF Supervisors I supported raised the minimum wage and established health care in San Francisco, among other good things.)

The DCCC votes on resolutions with legislative goals and the DCCC also endorses candidates for Mayor and Supervisor, for a citywide mailing at election time, so being a member make it possible for one to have a voice on who gets elected.

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Would you support a **regressive (or "flat") tax**, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax? **NO**

In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to **close San Francisco's projected budget deficits** that loom in the coming years? **Fee or tax on alcohol**

2. What is your position on **the sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier? Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why. **I am in opposition to this ordinance, and I voted in opposition at the last DCCC meeting.**
3. Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' **ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement**, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010? **I strongly support Supervisor Campos' statute and the enforcement of the ordinance. When it came before the SFDCCC, I spoke in favor and voted for it!**
4. Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC.

**I am running for the DCCC to energize the Democratic Party. I want to expand Democratic voter registration among new citizens, under-represented minorities, students, and decline to state voters and to involve these new Democrats in the political process and to convince them to vote.**

**I want to make sure the SF Democratic Party supports issues and candidates that will make San Francisco a city that represents all its inhabitants. If elected, I pledge to endorse Democratic candidates and issues associated with San Francisco values and to elect Democrats to partisan and non-partisan offices in San Francisco and California. (99 words)**

The Grassroots Democratic Club Questionnaire

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Would you support a **regressive (or "flat") tax**, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax? I am less enthusiastic about this type of tax because I think it hurts low income people.

In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to **close San Francisco's projected budget deficits** that loom in the coming years? In addition to the above I think we have to extend parking meter times and freeze wages on high earning city employees.

What is your position on **the sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier? Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why. I oppose it because I think that there are already sufficient laws in place to deal with the problems that some street people are causing and I voted that way at the DCCC.

Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' **ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement**, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010? I support Supervisor Campos' ordinance and voted with him at the DCCC

Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC. I'm running because: I want to help promote Democratic candidates and political activists that will help shape the politics of the city. I like getting the vote out and being part of the overall election process. I participate in registering voters, Party fundraising and have volunteered on numerous campaigns. I think it's important to keep a core of experienced people on the Committee, I've been on the DCCC since 1980. I'm a past Chair of The Alice b. Toklas LGBT Democratic Club. I've been a long term member of many Democratic Clubs. I have served as First Vice chair, Issues Chair, and Treasurer of the DCCC. I have supported and continue to support affordable health care with a public option. I have voted to end our wars in the Middle East by urging our Democratic Representatives to support an exit strategy for American forces in Afghanistan, and called on Congress to cut-off all funding for the war in Iraq except for what is necessary for a withdrawal. I believe in good jobs at fair wages, quality education in public schools, protecting Social Security and Medicare, affordable housing for everyone, a women's right to choose, I've consistently supported equal opportunity and other social justice issues.

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I have, as a longtime Democratic/ grassroots activist and elected official supported a host of progressive tax policies. I would support all of the proposals cited a-e; as a former county Supervisor I sought, unsuccessfully, to increase the real estate transfer tax.

Would you support a **regressive (or "flat") tax**, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax?

I oppose sale tax increases as it is not a "progressive" and serves to overly impact poorer residents negatively.

In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to **close San Francisco's projected budget deficits** that loom in the coming years?

In regards to closing San Francisco's budget gap ... I would seek to eliminate administrative overhead in City bureaucracy, elective not contract employees. An overall audit of city expenses and duplicated services could lead to considerable savings. San Francisco's working class communities, renters, young people and minority/ new citizens are under assault from high prices and diminished services.

Economic salvation for cities/ counties must come with state tax reform; split roll tax, repeal of Prop 13; repeal of billions of dollars in "obsolete" tax credits provided to corporations who fail to produce jobs.

2. What is your position on **the sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier? Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why.

I oppose the sit/lie ordinance as introduced. I believe citizens have a right to sit on public streets. There are laws on the books presently to address unlawful or nuisance behavior.

3. Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' **ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement**, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010?

I support the statute and enforcement of Supervisor Campos' measure to protect the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees.

4. Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC.

As a longtime Party activist, I am seeking to rejoin the DCCC to stimulate a stronger voter registration program aimed at young voters and new citizens.

Years ago, the DCCC conducted a successful, "bounty" program, subsidized by elected officials, which paid underemployed people a "stipend" for new democratic voter registrants.

I believe steady "hands-on" efforts and novel approaches are needed to fortify the Party and create viable paths to successful Party building. There must be a push to increase turnout of minority and working class voters.

If progressive tax measures are needed, then more people who benefit from them need to be enrolled in the process.

Joe Julian

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I would generally support new, progressive tax measures such as the ones listed above.

Would you support a **regressive (or "flat") tax**, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax?

No.

In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to **close San Francisco's projected budget deficits** that loom in the coming years?

I would consider restoring vehicle license fees and increasing parking tax.

2. What is your position on **the sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier? Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why.

I oppose it because it criminalizes innocent people and is not necessary.

3. Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' **ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement**, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010?

I totally support Supervisor Campos and if I were still the President of the Juvenile Probation Commission, I would have had his policies implemented.

4. Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC.

To maintain and expand the progressive base of the DCCC making it a truly democratic and inclusive body, which represents the interests of all of the diverse communities of The City, and promotes policies that are fair, just, and equal. I have served for the past decade on the DCCC as a staunch progressive community activist and run on progressive slates. This 2010 election it is the Bay Guardian slate which includes Eric Quezada, John Avalos, David Campos and others.

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Would you support a **regressive (or "flat") tax**, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax? **Far less preferable than progressive revenue measures. I'd also like to restore the Vehicle License Fee.**

In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to **close San Francisco's projected budget deficits** that loom in the coming years? **I'm not on the board of supervisors anymore. As a member of the DCCC it is my job to help support candidates for office that will address these issues in a progressive, fair, smart way.**

2. What is your position on the **sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier? Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why. **Oppose. It's just picking on poor people for press by right wingers like Newsom and the Chamber of Commerce. There are already adequate laws on the books to deal with issues like this anyway.**
3. Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' **ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement**, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010? **Yes and I helped him work on it.**
4. Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC. **I am the incumbent chair of this organization which has become more progressive and is now no longer a tool for the establishment. We helped keep the Board progressive in the 2008 elections. I'd like to use the DCCC for the same by electing progressive supervisors in 2010 and a progressive mayor in 2011.**

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**What is your position on new, progressive tax measures in general? *I believe those with the most, including large businesses, corporations, churches and for profit educational institutions should all be taxed more than they currently are and where they've not been taxed they should have to prove why they should be exempt from taxes.*** Would you support the following progressive taxes: (a) a gross receipts tax; ***Yes, but I don't want to further hurt the small independent and neighborhood businesses.*** (b) a (tiered) parcel tax; ***Yes, and I believe commercial real estate should be taxed at least as much as residential property.*** (c) an omnibus tax on certain luxury commodities; ***yes, and I would further like to see a city tax on automobiles purchased elsewhere for tax advantage that brings those vehicles to parity with cars sold in SF.*** (d) a second-home tax; ***yes, and I feel it should escalate with increasing value.*** (e) a property transfer tax; ***yep, especially on commercial and I think we have to go after churches and corporate evaders like Academy of Art University.*** and (f) a 2% increase in the hotel tax? ***Yes, if we can dedicate these funds to specific ideas and programs like health, special education, scholarships, recreation for youth, disabled and seniors along with our parks.***

Would you support a regressive (or "flat") tax, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax? ***I would support it if it didn't hurt small, independent, local businesses, especially those that employ many local citizens.***

In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to close San Francisco's projected budget deficits that loom in the coming years?

***I've long heard from Chamber of Commerce and big business that our local government drives away business, and I believe that is not true. I also believe that people with wealth choose to***

**live here for the same reasons the rest of us do, this is a beautiful and great city. I believe that the wealthy should pay higher property taxes, including all commercial property, and even an income tax initiated by our local government. Property values have never diminished overall in this city, and as we continue to be a haven for the rich and certain poor populations, we need a strategy that brings back families, children and affordable housing for those not rich.**

2. What is your position on **the sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier?

**I understand the motives and why many businesses and residents are eager to solve some of the problems that cause them distress, but I find it ironic that soon after Mayor Newsom buys a home in the wealthy south side of Haight, this legislation is introduced. I suspect all legislation and actions by Newsom and his pencil pushers. Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why. I don't support it as written, but would support a reasonable community chosen series of policies and procedures to reduce truancy, drug abuse among teens and runaways, property damage, and aggressive panhandling.**

3. Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and **yes, but am unsteady about rape, murder and mayhem.** (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010? **I think we should seek legal status for all immigrant youth who wish to remain here and work or go to school, but runaways and chronic truants and law breakers should face something commensurate with their crimes.**

4. Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC. **I'm a disabled senior who has owned small businesses which employed many women and men, immigrants and minorities over a quarter century. I've been a homeowner and taxpayer at many levels in our city. I believe we've let go of progressive values almost without knowing it, and I'd like to encourage the DCCC to encourage an support progressive women and men for office, not just people who can raise massive amounts of money, usually from big business and developers. I've been doing service here since the early 1970's and continue as Board President of Shanti Project, Board Chair of The Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC) and on the board of Public Access Television (recently closed down by Newsom and his incompetent Dept. of Technology. I had the honor of serving on the 2007-2008 SF Civil Grand Jury and am a hearing officer for appeals at the MTA. I'm also on the leadership council of the UCSF Aids Research Institute and involved with several other not for profit organizations and started my own non profit, Tin Pan Alley Productions, ([www.tinpanalley.org](http://www.tinpanalley.org)) to help local non profits in their fundraising efforts. I'm active, open minded, honest and willing to work my butt off for the progressive people of San Francisco.**

# The Grassroots Democratic Club of San Francisco's East Side

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1. The Grassroots Democratic Club is committed to a progressive taxation movement for this November's ballot and beyond, to make the city's great wealth—individual and corporate—work for all San Franciscans.

What is your position on **new, progressive tax measures in general**? Would you support the following progressive taxes: (a) a gross receipts tax; (b) a (tiered) parcel tax; (c) an omnibus tax on certain luxury commodities; (d) a second-home tax; (e) a property transfer tax; and (f) a 2% increase in the hotel tax? **The city needs new revenue and our taxes should be as progressive as possible. I support all of the above. The challenge is not what is the best or most progressive, but what we can actually achieve. In general, voters support programs, not taxes. So any revenue generating measures need to focus on the benefits provided.**

Would you support a **regressive (or "flat") tax**, like, for example, an increase in the sales tax? **It is not my first choice, but I cannot rule it out entirely. I believe that downtown and the wealthy are not paying their fair share. If a sales tax increase is the only way to save critical city services that help lower income residents, then I could be convinced to support.**

In addition to or instead of these measures, how would you propose to **close San Francisco's projected budget deficits** that loom in the coming years? **Pragmatically, I think we need targeted fee and tax increase to support specific programs. For example, I had proposed a cub cut tax on driveways to McGoldrick. It seems unfair that street parkers pay an unfair share of the parking tickets and parking permits, and at the same time those with driveways are taking away a parking spot. McGoldrick did introduce legislation that passed, but he grandfathered in all the existing driveways. Ideally, cars/parking/gas should be taxed to support public transit. MUNI is too expensive and I would support a program to provide free (or greatly reduced) MUNI to city residents that is funded by downtown employers or drivers.**

2. What is your position on **the sit/lie ordinance** introduced by Mayor Newsom and Supervisor Alioto-Pier? Please explain if you support or oppose this ordinance, and why. **Oppose. It is election year politics that targets those least able to defend themselves.**
3. Do you support or oppose both (a) the statute and (b) the enforcement of Supervisor Campos' ordinance ensuring the confidentiality of juvenile felony arrestees' immigration statuses from **Immigration and Customs Enforcement**, which was finally passed over the Mayor's veto on November 10, 2010? **Support**
4. Please explain, in 100 words or less, why you are running for DCCC. **Help elect progressive candidates and pass progressive measures. I am a worker with a proven track record of success. We have the issues and the votes in San Francisco to elect 8 progressive supervisors and a Mayor, but we need year-round structured organizing. The DCCC canvass that I started in Dec 08 has so far contacted more than 50,000 people and generated more than 12,000 donations to our local party.**

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The Eastern Neighborhoods-based Grassroots Democratic Club (GDC) is a new progressive democratic organization being built from the ground up by a diverse mix of concerned residents, working-class families, seniors, workers from community-based organizations, labor and LGBT groups, immigrants, artists, writers, and neighborhood activists.

We are dedicated to creating opportunities for political involvement for consistently under-represented communities in Eastern neighborhoods including the Mission and outer Mission, Portola, Excelsior, and others—communities that have long lacked a voice in city politics.

Together, we are organizing to have a voice in how decisions are made, and who makes them.

*For the June, 2010 election, we will be endorsing candidates for Democratic County Central Committee in Districts 12 and 13.*

*Due to the large number of candidates in this race, we will not interview candidates individually. Instead we are sending each candidate this brief survey.*

*Please return by email or carrier pigeon by Midnight on Friday, April 30, 2010.*

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I believe that it will be extremely difficult to balance this year's \$522M budget deficit only with budget cuts, and that we need to consider new revenues as part of the budget equation. I am open to any revenue measure that will garner broad political support with the least impact on our economy, and hope that any new measure can be structured in a progressive way.

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As a current DCCC member, I voted to support the recent DCCC resolution offered by Gabriel Haaland regarding sit/lie.

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As Supervisor, I was a co-sponsor of Supervisor Campos' ordinance, and support its enforcement.

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I am running for re-election to the DCCC because as an elected official, I am eager to continue working alongside grassroots Democratic leaders to strengthen the local party in the bluest city in the bluest state, a party that has shaped the shared progressive values that San Francisco has stood for. As the only elected Chinese DCCC member in the 13th Assembly District, I am also committed to bringing ethnically diverse voters to the Democratic fold and to building bridges between diverse communities.