

2024 Central Committee Questionnaire

We expect the responses to be based on each candidate's individual lived experience.

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Basic Information

Endorsement Questionnaire



Thank you for your interest in being considered for an endorsement by the Asian Pacific American Democratic Caucus of Alameda County. Please answer each question in 250 words or less. Be honest and direct. Please note: your questionnaire will be posted on our [website](#) for Caucus members to review. Caucus members attending our Endorsement meeting on January 13 will be provided a ballot to vote. Only candidates who have submitted their completed questionnaire will be listed on the ballot. Questionnaires must be submitted by December 28 at 5 PM.

Personal Information

Candidate Name *

Elisa Marquez

City and zip code of residence. *

94544

What is your campaign website address?

www.ElisaforSupervisor.net

What is your campaign email address? *

ElisaBOSDistrict2@gmail.com

What is the office that you are seeking? *

- Central Committee AD 14
- Central Committee AD 16
- Central Committee AD 18
- Central Committee AD 20
- Central Committee AD 24

Are you an incumbent? *

- Yes
- No

Are you a registered Democrat? *

Yes

No

Are you on a slate? If so, please identify. *

Yes, I am one of 8 members on the 20th Assembly District Democratic Coalition

Are you an APA Caucus member? *

Yes

No

Why are you seeking the Caucus's endorsement? *

As a supporter and member of APA Caucus, it's imperative that I stay informed and engaged on the matters most pressing to our APA community members.

If we endorse you, will you use our name in your campaign materials? *

Yes

No

Maybe

How long have you lived in the district in which you are seeking to represent? *

45 years and 6 months

Please list what experiences most qualify you to serve on the Central Committee (e.g., education, work, volunteer, life experiences, political campaigns) *

I am a lifelong Democrat, I've been active and engaged in democracy since I was in high school. I have volunteered for campaigns, assisted with fundraising and have helped run a city wide measure to maintain vital community services.

CANDIDATE QUESTIONS - Central Committee

1. What percentage of the district in which you are running are of APA heritage? And what are top three Asian ethnic groups? *

20th Assembly District Unincorporated is 25%, Hayward is 27.9%, Union City 55.3%, San Leandro 34.7%, Dublin 25.8% (portion), Pleasanton 18.7% (portion), top three ethnic groups are Asian Indian, Chinese and Filipino.

2. Asian Americans are the fastest growing population in Alameda County and are in the majority in three cities. While the majority are Democrats, a growing number are registering as No Party Preference. How can the Central Committee be more relevant to these communities? *

We need to more inclusive and engage with APA community to asses what issues matter most to them and support their growth and leadership development.

3. List three ways in which you could help the CC promote a greater awareness of issues of concern to the A/PA communities and support greater representation on elected bodies. *

As a former Hayward Council Member and in my current role on the BOS, D2 I go out of my way to recruit and engage community members to serve on boards and commissions.

4. Please name local Asian American candidates the Central Committee has endorsed in the past 10 years. *

Peter Bufete, Shang Tao, Scott Sakakihara, Lance Kwan, Xouhoa Bowen, Georg Syrop, Phong La, Nikki Fortunato Bas, Janani Ramachandran, Lance Nishihira, Raja Salwan, Harris Mojadedi and Suzanne Lee Chan.

5. Proposing and adopting resolutions is one of the main functions of the CC. Some of the resolutions over the past several years impacted members of the APA communities. Please comment on what you think of those resolutions. *

* Incumbents - response is required.

Resolutions are challenging, while I fully support engaging and responding to emerging needs in our community. Unfortunately, the process can be polarizing especially when some of our community members feel alienated by those who are not as outspoken. I am focused and committed to improving decorum and respecting everyone, so all feel welcome in our meetings.

6. Do you believe that the vetting process for Resolutions is adequate? Please explain your response. *

I believe it's important to rotate roles and responsibilities of who serves on the committees. We can also revisit the time that is provided to vote on resolutions to allow for ample member engagement.

7. How impactful have the past resolutions been on the quality of life for low-income Alameda County residents? *

Many resolutions have positively influenced decision making bodies to improve outcomes for low-income residents in Alameda County.

Thank you for completing our questionnaire.

Please submit your responses by Dec. 28, 5 pm. Our Zoom Endorsement Meeting is scheduled for January 13 beginning at 10 am. Only those candidates completing the questionnaire will be on our endorsement ballot. No changes to your responses can be made after it is submitted.

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