

Candidate Information



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General Questions

1. Why do you want to run for office (be specific)?

I want to run for Assembly because California is upside-down with its public policy founded on externalities such as gender, race, socio-economic levels and sexual preference rather than universal principles accepted by all people as outlined in our Constitution, Bill of Rights and Declaration of Independence. I am running for Assembly because I want to take political philosophical arguments to the state capitol and win. I want my children and future generations to enjoy better opportunities and prosperity than myself. I am running for office because I am tired of the state doing what they please and leaving the referendum process to the citizens if we don't like what they are doing.

2. What is your understanding of the function of the office for which you are running? Please include the size, scope, jurisdiction and budget.

Please include the size, scope, jurisdiction and budget. First, I represent the people rather than the people relying on the referendum process to keep up with the state government. I propose and make policy that protects and enhances individual liberty, conscience and accountability. I wisely and judiciously manage the people's money and balance the budget. Of course, the issues I'll be addressing include education, public safety, economic development, infrastructure, transportation, housing, and health care.

3. What are the greatest current and future challenges facing your elected office?

Currently we are facing the distortion of objective truth masquerading as rights on all fronts. For example, transgender laws and bathrooms that threaten the safety of children and others and trample their true individual rights. This transgender issue will grow out of control just as ADA accessibility laws that have threatened and destroyed businesses of the middle class. Additionally, the state is actively threatening to take over water agencies. Another serious and very direct threat is to individual conscience, the family structure and religious freedoms. The state's deficit spending and government activities not recovering costs which burden the taxpayer further. The promotion of silly ideas to resolve issues such as the tunnels and bullet train projects.

4. Why are you the most qualified candidate to address those challenges?

- I am the only fluent Spanish speaker
- I am not a one issue candidate, I have delved into many issues (i.e. storm water management, groundwater, water, development, labor negotiations, economic development, housing, land use planning, transit and more)
- I am creative, I like to collaborate, I like to solve problems and I am not afraid to stand firm
- I have experience as an elective representative
- I have a public voting record. This means no 'buyer's remorse' for the citizenry
- I have been very consistent on my positions and promoted policy that is based upon universal principles, principles accepted by the large majority of people.
- I am my campaign. The work isn't done by paid staff, consultants or interns. When the people elect me they will get me and I will work for them.

5. What are your public service goals, both short-term and long-term?

- Protect parental rights
- Protect personal rights (the liberty of conscience)
- Protect freedom of religion
- Make California business friendly again
- Keep local taxes and other revenue local. The state does not need to gather and then redistribute our local taxes to other jurisdictions.
- Make California independent of the 'drunken' federal government. With our state's economy being one of the more powerful ones in the world, there is no reason we should be depending upon the volume of federal funding that we do. Short term
- Protect water from state overreach - Improve California's representation problem (ratio of elected representatives to - Abolish the Administrative State (regulatory environment)
- Halt the state from trampling the will of the people by leaving us with the referendum process rather than representing the will of the people
- Cut spending and no new taxes!
- Reform public pensions
- Protect businesses from Transgender bathroom issues. This will be the next ADA accessibility movement that puts small business, our economic engine, out of business

6. What are your biggest strengths and weaknesses?

My biggest weakness is I don't like to talk about or promote myself, even in a campaign and even though I believe I am the most qualified candidate. My biggest strength is I stand on principle, the same principles that founded this nation. The same principles that made this nation the most prosperous and desirable in the world. The same principles that unite divided peoples. Principle doesn't change, is always the same and in the end, wins the day.

7. Are there any local business leaders or organizations that are currently supporting your candidacy for elected office? Please also attach separately, any additional endorsement letters you would like to present.

I have intentionally not approached them to be free of big money, big interests and big names. I am interested in the endorsement of the people.

8. Are you a member of any Chamber of Commerce or business organization? If so, which one(s) and for how long?

No. I was a member of two chambers in the past but found they were 1. Pretty ignorant as to the policy threats to business and 2. They support policy contrary to my economic principles, the free market.

9. What is your plan for raising campaign money?

Gain the full confidence and trust of the every day people around me. I will not be tied to big names, big money or big interest groups.

10. Are you willing to ask friends, family and associates for funds to help with your campaign?

I don't like to ask for money, even for a campaign but I will if I need to.

11. Do you utilize social media for your campaign? If so, please tell us what you use and how you interact on social media.

I like to be face to face with people so social media is a challenge for me but the people can interact with me on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn. Addresses are provided above.

12. Have you or any legal entities under your control filed for bankruptcy? If so, please explain.

No

13. If elected, what will be your top priorities and how would you implement them?

Reform public pension- - Reverse Prop 162 (1992) and put administration, funding and oversight into hands of local government - Extend 1937 Act Counties- to more counties (establish their own retirement systems)

- Build confidence of public employees in private sector plans

1. Performs better

2. More money in private sector equals more opportunity, greater returns

3. Educate them as to storm pushing off to children- educate the real costs - More authority to municipalities to move to defined contribution, weaken union strongholds for larger employee contribution

- Vested interests removed from decisions- turn over to the people

- Reduce generosity of pensions Water-

- Protect water rights for water districts

- Reduce regulatory authority

- Take the lead from the subject matter experts, the water districts, and not bureaucratic suits.

- Stop the state from forcing local entities into JPAs and other similar bodies whereby local autonomy is diluted

- Protect property rights from state drought oversight

- Develop a comprehensive groundwater management plan that respects local sovereignty but protects our natural resource and habitats

Transportation-

- Everyone pays their way. No subsidies to businesses that fail in the free market, such as Tesla

- Revenue has doubled in last 15 years so it isn't a revenue problem, it is a spending problem! Bring transportation costs down (road construction and repair down, CalTans)

o Use the money wisely or return it to the people

- Maintain consumption based funding (fuel, electric vehicle batteries, electricity charging stations) - Stop forcing municipalities to operate public transit that is ineffective and unused

Homelessness-

- Homelessness can most effectively be dealt at local levels. The local funds need to be returned and stay local. - Strengthen non-profit status and shield them from the state making moves and threatening their non-profit status because they don't want to hire gay leaders. Homo and hetero groups should be afforded the right to hire who they desire without oppression from each other.

State Questions

1. If applicable, please provide us a list of legislation or public policy positions you have taken to make it easier for business to grow and to create jobs.

As per the state, only businesses that are up to date on meeting asinine diesel requirements can bid on development projects. Well, who can afford to keep up with these requirements? Big business only! So we have big business colluding with big government. Guess who the loser is? Us, small to media business owners. Small to medium businesses cannot survive in this environment! Second, as per MPO/SCS strategies (which is conveniently tied to federal and state funding) cities and counties are rezoning thereby threatening, again, small business owners. Such was the case in Lincoln where a rancher had his property, without notice or consent, rezoned to 'open space' thereby affectively killing his operation in the future, an operation alive and well since 1947. I voted against both of these as a councilman. Luckily the second issue was corrected more than a year later but I was the only councilman initially to vote against it. I have also voted against the NEXTEconomy and Great Sacramento (both regional economic development pushes) which picks business 'winners and losers' because big business is working with big government to determine which sectors they want in the region, which to support, which to offer specialized funding and which receive penalties from an oversight board. I have pushed back against this, too, as a city councilman and former Mayor. I have also been pushing back against the VMT where citizens are charged per mile they drive. This controls too much the ability for people to move about as they please. In addition, it will hurt if not kill many small businesses.

2. Small business is the number one growth driver of jobs. What are your specific proposals to strengthen small business?

The free market is the solution. I briefly outlined the government oversight and control in the previous question. I will work to restructure the federal and state MPO so it is more conducive to the free market. I will cut the purse strings of regulatory agencies. I will work to eliminate permits and licenses for the vast majority of professions. The minimum wage hike needs to be halted. Prop 13 needs to stay in place and I will work against the split role!

3. What are your proposals to ensure that state, regional and local infrastructure are able to accommodate economic and population growth?

Local government knows local populations and infrastructure the best. The answer is to let local money stay local. Allocation of state and federal funding needs to be reworked because they largely require cities to offer services ineffectively, such as bus transit (buses rolling around town empty most of the day) where some funding can be used for street improvements. I'll do anything and everything to keep the state from vacuuming up local funding and redistributing it unequally, thereby hurting all jurisdictions.

4. What public-employee pension reform proposals do you support and why?

I would take a look at Prop 162 (1992) and put administration, funding and oversight into hands of local government. I would extend or draw up something similar to the 1937 Act Counties to more counties so they can establish their own retirement systems. As I have bargained with labor groups I feel what is needed most is to build confidence of public employees in private sector plans: Performs better, more money in private sector equals more opportunity, greater returns, educate them as to storm pushing off to children and educate the real costs. Further, what needs to be done is to extend more authority to municipalities to move to defined contribution and weaken union strongholds for larger employee contribution. Those that make the pension decisions have a vested interest, this is a conflict of interest and they must be removed from the decisions and turned over to the people Make sure formulas are not overly generous Compare benefits with other states (we are overly generous) and modify accordingly

5. Please explain what you know about the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the most recent fiscal year.

The CAFR is a document that is over 300 pages so a lot can be said about it; this is a poor question and should be more specific. Nevertheless, numbers can be deceiving, it is all in the way they are presented. One great improvement for the public is the required reporting of public pension liabilities. Another thought is the state receives far too much from personal income tax, you and me. Next, I find it interesting that 38% of the state bonded debt is actually off set by the local governments because the assets are owned by local governments. This strengthens my position in that local revenue needs to stay local and not be pocketed or redistributed by the state government. Most importantly, however, is the financial danger social programs put us in. Not one of the government activities pays for itself; not education, or general government, or health and human services, or business and transportation. The deficits will need to be made up at one point with someone's pocketbook. If the state want to provide all of these services the least they can do is have them pay for themselves.

6. What specific proposals do you have for regulatory reform?

Cut the purse strings. Regulatory agencies cannot operate without money. Additionally, policy will include trigger points that make it difficult for regulatory agencies to get involved. For example, the state monitoring groundwater, whether through agencies or on private property, cannot do so unless the state is in a drought of at least 3 years. I'll encourage and reform policy that puts the regulatory agencies out of work. Most importantly, I'll return the state to the rule of law rather than administrative law. The regulatory environment cannot exist as easily when the rule of law prevails!

7. What are the top three barriers to business growth in Placer County? What specific steps would you take to address those and improve the business environment?

1. State regulations
2. Infrastructure of local governments
3. Too much time and money spent by elected officials, staff and the public on mandated and unfunded mandates and plans every 5-10 years. This includes plans for bikeways, housing, groundwater and more.

8. Did you support the increase in the state's minimum wage law?

No

9. Do you support a state increase or expansion of mandatory paid sick leave?

No

10. Do you support an increase or expansion of mandatory paid sick leave in Placer County above the existing state law?

No

11. What taxes, if any, would you seek to reduce or increase?

As far as taxes, I will work to shift taxes to local governments where greater percentages of sales tax and property etc. Is retained by cities and counties, not the state government. Personal income should be reduced too, but it is ineffective unless expenditures are reduced, too.

12. Would you sign a Taxpayer Protection Pledge?

Yes

13. Would you support new bonds? If yes, under what circumstances?

I would possibly support a new bond if cuts in expenditures were made first and the entity is running very lean with their financial house in order. Reaching into the taxpayer's pocket book through bonds is not an automatic solution for me.

14. Do you believe that business should be regulated more or less? (be specific)

Less. Everyone has a God given right to exercise their talents and they do not need authorization from the state through licenses to do so (with the exception of maybe architects, engineers and the medical profession). If one should harm another through their products or services we have the rule of law to recompense the victim. Using permits and licenses removes the people from the rule of law, which is equal to all, and employs administrative law, which is arbitrary and authoritative and given to exploitation and unequal application.

15. Do you believe that government should subsidize private businesses? If so, please give examples.

If so, please give examples. No, the free market should determine which services and products are useful, needed and desired by the consumer/public. Additionally, subsidizing failed businesses is corrosive to ingenuity, risk-taking, development and prosperity, individually and collectively.

16. Do you believe that the 2nd Amendment guarantees an individual the right to keep and bear arms? Please explain.

Yes, protection of self and family is a natural, God given right; not a right issued by government.

17. What is your view on the right to work?

I think the 'right to work' is personally oppressive, discriminatory and tyrannical to the individual and their family. I have no problem with people assembling for individual and collective gain but I do not support requiring individuals to 'pay to play'.

18. What kind of development and planning measures should be adopted to make development in Placer County less politically uncertain and more transparent in the planning process?

The public should see how much cities and counties spend on all of these plans as required by the state government to create and maintain. This would, hopefully, get the public behind the elected officials seeking to diminish the regulatory environment. Additionally, these plans make housing much more expensive because the cost is passed on to the consumer, which they do not see and therefore do not understand. It is anticipated that such requirements take the cost per house up by about \$60,000. Lots of good measures already exist such as required public hearings, design review processes through many bodies, Prop 218 and General Plans that make the process transparent.

19. What considerations will govern whether you vote to approve specific development projects in Placer County?

It is appropriate that the elected representatives of Placer County and its cities determine what is approved or not, not so much an assemblyman as related to development.

20. What do you see as the role your elected office has in proposing, funding, and building the county's transportation infrastructure and how will you prioritize the projects you support?

My role as an Assemblyman is to bring tax revenue back to local jurisdiction. Also, the entire organizational structure whereby federal monies are allocated to agencies is faulty and I will work to correct this with our representatives in Congress. The MPO needs to go! Taxpayers don't need additional layers of bureaucracy siphoning transportation funding. The taxpayers' money needs to travel through the hands of elected officials and elected officials only! Given real world constraints I will work to match local investment.

