

June Primary and Beyond



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Dear Democrat,

Primary Election Results

We are happy to report that our SCCDP endorsed candidates did amazingly well in the primary election! Rosemary Kamei won outright and will be seated in January as the new D1 San Jose City Councilmember. Cindy Chavez (San Jose Mayor) came in first, as did Sylvia Arenas (Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors D1), Omar Torres (San Jose City Council D3), and Maya Esparza (San Jose City Council D7), while Peter Ortiz (San Jose City Council D5) appears to have made the runoff in November. (There are still a number of votes to count in this race which could change the results.)

A huge thank you to our volunteers who walked precincts, knocked on doors, made calls and so much more!

Measure B passed, which means that after the upcoming election the new San Jose Mayor will serve a two year term (November 2022) after which the election for Mayor of San Jose will be moved to coincide with presidential elections, starting in 2024. The next San Jose Mayor will have the ability to serve 10 years (one two year term and two four year terms).

As many of you may know, the turnout for this primary election was extremely low. About 33% of the voters in Santa Clara County cast a ballot. The SCCDP will be working hard to increase voter turnout in November. It is critical to our democracy, and it is critical to our local government that we have representatives who reflect the makeup of our community.

We look forward to having you join us in the coming months as we work to

increase voter turnout.

Judy Gilford, Volunteer Extraordinaire!

We want to thank Judy Gilford, a dedicated Democrat, for all she has done to help elect good Democrats to office. Gilford has been with us since 2008, and in 2018 she became a Volunteer Leader at our Headquarters. She was a key member of our HQ volunteer staff during the 2020 Presidential and 2021 Recall elections and has put in over 1000 volunteer hours since 2018!

Gilford is responsible for helping to recruit and organize volunteers for canvassing events for SCCDP. She also contributes by canvassing precincts, text banking, and keeping our HQ maintained and ready for activities and events.



A HUGE thank you to Judy Gilford! SCCDP is honored to have such an amazing volunteer helping us!

House Select Committee

The House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th, 2021 Attack on the United States Capitol began its historic televised hearings on June 9th. The hearings were carried live by all major networks except Fox News and were widely praised for the force and clarity with which the Select Committee and its leaders laid bare for all to see the wanton violence of the pro-Trump mob. The Select Committee also began to lay out the facts to show Trump's personal culpability and responsibility for the violence and its grave consequences.

It's clear the hearings will not convince those who believe the Big Lie that Biden and Democrats stole the 2020 election, but they will create an important historical record of what transpired and how close Trump and his supporters came to subverting our Democracy.

Committee Vice Chair Liz Cheney reminded her fellow Republicans that history will judge these events and those involved, stating:

"To my Republican colleagues who are defending the indefensible: There will come a day when Donald Trump is gone, but your dishonor will remain."

Youth Takeover

Coming up: Our Youth Takeover meeting of the Santa Clara County Democratic Central Committee, on July 7, 2022, 7pm-9pm, at IBEW Local 332, 2125 Canoas Garden Ave, San Jose.

If you know of a young person who is interested in Democratic politics and/or public policy, encourage them to participate!

Flyer: https://bit.ly/takeover-flyer

Registration form: https://bit.ly/youth-takeover

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