

SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE
7 PM-9 PM, Regular Meeting at Sheet Metal Workers Local 104, 2350 Lundy Pl, San Jose
and via Zoom Online Conference (registration link below)

(Our meeting is open to the public, but we reserve the right to remove guests who disrupt the meeting. Video and audio recording not permitted without prior approval)

AGENDA FOR Thursday, April 13, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS

- a. SJ Councilmember Domingo Candelas

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Thursday, February 3, 2023
- b. No minutes were recorded for the DEI Workshop held Saturday, March 4, 2023

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Informational presentations regarding Passover and Ramadan
- b. Caste-based Discrimination
 - i. Amend local platform to oppose
 - ii. Support SB 403 (Wahab)
- c. Resolution in support of a Community Opportunity to Purchase Act (COPA) in San Jose
- d. Requests to support:
 - i. AB 83 (Lee) to ban political contributions by certain corporations
 - ii. AB 309 (Lee) re social housing
 - iii. SB 525 (Durazo) \$25 minimum wage for healthcare workers
 - iv. ACA 5 (Low) to repeal prop 8 and enshrine marriage equality into our state constitution
- e. Update re representatives to DSCC

- f. SCCDCC Dues and Monthly Recurring Donations (Treasurer/Finance Dir.)

- g. Report on DEI workshop

8. REPORTS

- a. Executive Board/Chair: Bill James
- b. Vice Chair: Jean Cohen
- c. Treasurer: Angelica Ramos
- d. Secretary: Helen Chapman
- e. Political Director: James Kim
- f. Issues: Huy Tran
- g. Community Outreach: Clarence Madrilejos
- h. Finance: James Kim
- i. Communications: John Comiskey
- j. Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Adia Hoag
- k. Diversity & Inclusion: Rebeca Armendariz
- l. Youth Representative: Parisa Braun
- m. Clubs: Tomara Hall
- n. Regional Directors
- o. DNC: Otto Lee
- p. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

April 19, 2023, at 6pm

11. ADJOURNMENT

Register to Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_XZVoG2X2QBSDEKK0KvUzVg

Proposal to Amend the SCCDP Local Platform to Oppose Discrimination Based on Caste

Proposal to modify the below portion of the plank entitled “Racial, Ethnic, and Immigrant Communities” to add the underlined text:

- Supports the rights of every person to be free from discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, color, creed, caste, and country of origin in employment, housing, and public accommodations, without exception for the perpetrator’s religious beliefs.

**RESOLUTION ENDORSING COPA
(COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE ACT)**

WHEREAS displacement has severely impacted our entire region, and some 1.5 million residents moved out of the Bay Area between 2010 and 2016, including primarily low-income communities and a disproportionate number of Latino and Black residents who were forced to move

<https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showdocument?id=50333>;

WHEREAS the COVID pandemic eviction moratoriums and rental assistance programs have expired, and thousands more families are now facing displacement or homelessness; and children in displaced households have more absences, a lower likelihood of finishing school, and a greater risk of educational delays or behavior problems, and people who have been evicted are more likely to experience job loss; and

WHEREAS displacement also increases commute times, costs, and environmental impacts, and displaced people are more likely to move into communities with higher rates of poverty and crime; and in 2020, the City of San Jose voted to adopt an anti-displacement plan and directed the Housing Department to work on a COPA policy to help keep people in their homes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Democratic Central Committee supports the enactment of a Community Opportunity to Purchase Act (COPA) policy in San Jose, that would give some of the tens of thousands of residents at risk of displacement the opportunity to stay in their community and have a voice in their housing options; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that SCCDCC supports a COPA policy because it would give a qualified non-profit (QNP) engaged with and supported by the current tenants the right to make the first offer to buy a property when it goes up for sale; encourage tenant organizing, education, technical assistance, and pathways to become owners of the property or of their units; and begin building a preservation infrastructure to help save thousands of affordable housing units in San Jose and keep our people in their homes.

Submitted by Jeffrey Levin and Sandy Perry