

Dear Mill Valley City Council candidate:

Friends of Mill Valley (FoMV), a growing organization of over 500 Mill Valley voters, has organized to help add the voice of the community to the City's decision-making process about planning, growth and issues of significant public interest, and to promote greater citizen participation in shaping successful solutions.

A large and growing number of Mill Valley voters attend our public meetings, receive our periodic email blasts and newsletters, and visit our web site (<http://www.friendsofmillvalley.org>).

To help interested voters better understand your position on key issues, we have prepared a candidates' questionnaire, attached below. The questions were submitted to us by members of the public.

We are giving all candidates the opportunity to respond to this questionnaire. Your answers will be posted for all voters to view, on the home page of our web site, and delivered to all local media outlets, guaranteeing significant exposure among Mill Valley voters.

We view the answers to these questions as important, however, please understand that the FoMV organization will not endorse candidates.

How does this benefit you?

- It helps you clearly delineate your position on key issues.
- It will garner you significant PR. As noted, in addition to communicating your responses to our members, FoMV will promote them to local media.
- It will help educate the public about the issues and choices that will face the new Council.
- It will demonstrate that you are willing to take a stand and demonstrate leadership on key issues confronting Mill Valley voters.

Your responses will be the basis for a successful Candidates' Night on October 29 at 7:00 PM, at the 142 Throckmorton Theater, which will be hosted by Dick Spotswood.

Here are instructions:

- Please answer "yes" or "no" to each question. Your yes/no answers will be featured on our home page as a "Y" or "N" next to each question. If you have any

comments on the question or additional information you would like to provide, please do so at any length.

- We strongly recommend that you answer “yes” or “no” to each question. If you don’t provide a yes-no answer you can still submit comments. Your comments will appear in full on our web site, however we will post a "W" on the home page.

- Comments are not required.

- Please email your full response to questions@friendsofmillvalley.org by Friday, September 21. We will respond with a copy of your email to confirm receipt and authenticity. If you are unable to make this deadline we will still attempt to post your responses, time permitting.

- Candidates responses will be listed in order of receipt.

Candidates Questions:

Traffic

- As Council Member, will you insist that Mill Valley traffic systems be designed such that traffic on Miller, Camino Alto and East Blithedale is faster between popular destinations than it is on cut-through neighborhood streets?

- Do you believe the idea of a roundabout at the corner of Camino Alto and Miller is worth the expenditure of City funds to further study?

Affordable Housing

- Would you urge the City to comply with ABAG targets?

- Do you believe that encouraging higher density the best way for Mill Valley to provide needed affordable housing units?

- As Council Member, would you make it a priority to organize a county-level voucher pool to make housing in Mill Valley available to persons who qualify due to low income?

Growth, Planning, and MAPP

- Do you think that the actions of Mill Valley’s planning department are grounded in the values of the citizens of Mill Valley?

- Should the lot near the corner of Camino Alto & East Blithedale be rezoned to allow housing to be built there? (If yes, how many houses?)

- Do you approve MAPP’s recommendations to: increase allowable building heights (to 40 feet), reduce or eliminate commercial building street setbacks,

increase density (up to 20 units per acre plus first-floor retail), and reduce parking standards (by 33% to 50%) on large sections of Miller Avenue?

- Would you support separating the timeline, planning, environmental impact evaluation and public approval process for Measure A street improvements from the MAPP?

Thank you very much for your participation, and for your willingness to take on the responsibility of being a Mill Valley City Council Member!

We wish all candidates the best of luck in this election.

Best regards,

Friends of Mill Valley