

# 2020 Endorsement Questionnaire East County

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APA Democratic Caucus of Alameda County



**PLEASE COMPLETE AND SUBMIT BY SEPT. 9, midnight. Please take time to review the questions before filling in the boxes since you cannot save the responses for later completion. 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 and the public to review.**

Personal Information

Candidate Name \*

Chiman Lee

City and zip code of residence.

Pleasanton, 94588

What is your campaign website address?

leeforpleasanton.com

What is your campaign email address?

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What is the office that you are seeking? \*

- City of Dublin Mayor
- City of Dublin City Council
- City of Dublin, Unified School District Trustee, Area 1
- City of Dublin, Unified School District Trustee, Area 4
- City of Livermore, Mayor
- City of Livermore, City Council, Dist. 3
- City of Livermore, Unified School District
- City of Pleasanton, Mayor
- City of Pleasanton, City Council
- City of Pleasanton, Unified School District Trustee
- AC Board of Supervisors, District 1
- AD 16, State Assembly Representative
- Other: .....

Are you the incumbent?

- Yes
- No

Are you a registered Democrat? The APA Democratic Caucus can only endorse registered Democrats

Yes

No

How long have you been a registered Democrat? If less than 5 years, please explain your reason for becoming a Democrat.

Since as registered voter

Are you an APA Caucus member?

Yes

No

Why are you seeking the Caucus's endorsement?

As I have interviews and meetings with groups and people in positions of power. I feel the need to choose a side. Even though my race is a non partisan race I feel I need to officially get an democratic endorsement and win this seat to promote more API participation in Pleasanton.

List ONLY the top 5 endorsements that you have received. (Please reference your website if you want to alert us to more).

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

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

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

7 years

Educational background: What schools have you attended, date graduated, major and degree(s) earned.

Community college

Employment: List the last three (3) paid positions, indicating name of employer, job title, and length of employment.

Greencitizen- Manager, Goodwill of San Francisco, San Mateo and Marin counties - Director of Sustainability, Corporate ewaste solutions - Director of Operations

What are the names of any community or nonprofit organizations with which you have been an active volunteer in the past 3-5 years.

RRRcomputers.org, Goodwill, National Stewardship Action Council

CANDIDATE QUESTIONS

1. What differentiates you from your opponents for the elected office that you are seeking?

I'm passionate for the Community, Small businesses, and the environment

2. Describe one issue for the district you want to represent for which you have provided leadership and about which you are passionate.

Clean water. All three of our wells are contaminated with PFAS since 2019 and maybe earlier. I want to highlight the need for clean drinking water now not in 2023.

3. What percentage of the district you [or intend to] represent are of APA heritage?

32%

4. Please identify the three largest APA ethnicities in your district.

Chinese, Asian Indian, Korean

5. Please identify the most at-risk APA community in your district and explain why.

The young APA population is the most at risk due to the national message we are hearing. There is a national movement of hate towards Asians driven by our leaders and the open racism is getting apparent. We need to get leaders that is against racism to speak up. I will be one of those leaders to speak up against hate.

6. List the three top concerns of members of the APAs in your district.

Racism, environment and diversity and inclusion

7. During the COVID-19 pandemic, reports of anti-Asian verbal and physical attacks have arisen. If you are the incumbent, how have you addressed this? If you are a candidate how will you address this?

YES one of the top reasons I'm running is to address this Anti Asian rhetoric. By having a Asian American in City Council to highlight and educate others on the cultural differences and drive equity.

8. Do you believe that Asian and Pacific Americans are adequately represented in local government? What can elected officials do to improve participation?

NO, In pleasanton there is not APA representation on the city council

9. Please identify all Asian Pacific American candidates whom you have personally endorsed over the past 5 years including this election cycle. If there are none, please explain.

none. I recently got involved in the political environment.

10. If you were faced with a situation that involved an Asian Pacific American community, would you seek consultation with our Caucus as a resource?

Yes

No

Thank you for completing our questionnaire.

Please submit your responses by Sept. 9, 2020 midnight. Our East County Endorsement Meeting is scheduled for Thu., Sept. 17 beginning at 6:30 pm on Zoom. Only those candidates submitting the questionnaire on time will be on our endorsement ballot. No changes to your responses can be made after it is submitted.

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