

# 2020 Endorsement Questionnaire South 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 \*

John Weed

City and zip code of residence.

Fremont, 94539

What is your campaign website address?

43255 Mission Blvd

What is your campaign email address?

jhweed@aol.com

What is the office that you are seeking? \*

- City of San Leandro City Council
- City of San Leandro School Board
- City of Hayward City Council
- City of Hayward, Unified School District Trustee
- City of Fremont, Mayor
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 1
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 5
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 6
- City of Fremont, Unified School District, Dist. 1
- City of Fremont, Unified School District, Dist. 4
- City of Fremont, Unified School District, Dist. 5
- City of Union City, Mayor
- City of Union City, City Council
- New Haven School Trustee, Area 1
- New Haven School Trustee, Area 2
- New Haven School Trustee, Area 3
- City of Newark, Mayor
- City of Newark, City Council
- City of Newark, School Board
- City of Newark, School Board, Short term
- Eden Healthcare District
- Washington Hospital Healthcare District
- Oro Loma Sanitary District

Ohlone Community College

Alameda County Water District

AD 20, State Assembly Representative

AD 25, State Assembly Representative

Ohlone Community College, Area 2

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.

23 Years .....

Are you an APA Caucus member?

Yes

No

Why are you seeking the Caucus's endorsement?

Support for my re-election

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

Lily Mei; Raj Salwa;, Business for Good Government - Fremont Chamber of Commerce; Yogi Chugh

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?

58 years

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

BS Civil Engineering and JD, Juris Doctor (Law), University of Santa Clara; MBA, Master of Business Administration-Finance, Eastern New Mexico University; PhD Candidate, Water Resources Administration, University of Arizona

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

Attorney-at Law, sole practitioner, 46 years  
Hearing Officer, Assessment Appeals Board, County of Alameda, 12 Years  
Director, Alameda County Water District, 25 years  
Trustee, Ohlone Community College District, 33 years  
Civil Engineer-Disaster Preparedness-Explosive Ordnance Disposal Officer, United States Air Force Reserve, 31 years

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

Presently active:  
President, Washington Township Historical Society  
Protect Niles  
Newark Rotary Club  
Tri-City Democratic Forum  
21st Century Democratic Club, Santa Clara County

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## CANDIDATE QUESTIONS

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

Engineering and business experience and expertise

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

Acquisition and/or control of water supply to include the Alameda Creek Watershed and Del Valle Reservoir.

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

Majority

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

Chinese, South Asian, Philappino

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

Each APA Community has a variety of risks, and they may include language, educational, housing

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

Housing, Education, Employment

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?

Report it as a hate crime, personaly confront an abuser

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

This varies by public agency. The discrepancy is most apparent in the staff of the local school Districts.

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.

Lily Mei, Raj Sawan, Yogi Chugh, Theresa Keng, Ro Khanna

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 South County Endorsement Meeting is scheduled for Sat., Sept. 20 from 1 to 3 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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