Q1

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Q2

Why do you want to be a member of the County Central Committee of your party? If you are currently a member, why are you seeking another term? (Please Limit your response to 250 words)

I’m running for the DCCC because when I look at the body as it currently is, I don’t see myself reflected frequently in our current politics. I don’t see myself as a renter, I don’t see myself as a person who bikes, and I don’t see myself as a trans woman. I want to take my involvement to the next level and contribute my grassroots energy to building a party that is truly as representative as our Democratic Party is here in San Francisco.  But beyond all of that, I’m just interested in doing the work. There’s a lot that needs to be done, and we need to focus on building a strong party locally to support Democrats nationally in 2020 to achieve our goals. I believe the DCCC is the best place to do that work

Q3

What do you see as the city's most important environmental issue, and why? (please limit your response to 250 words)

The most pressing issue facing San Francisco in my opinion is that we are still far too car dependent. Cars are our biggest source of emissions that we have the power to most easily change by how we design our city. We need to get people out of cars and into more efficient modes of transportation like buses as well as on bikes, walking, or just about any way that is not a car. Whether it’s by building more homes closer to where people work and want to live or providing better transit options if they do desire to live somewhere else or creating safer ways to get people around by ways other than car, that’s the issue we need to confront to truly meet our climate goals and be the kind of city I know we can be.

Q4

What do you see as the function of the County Central Committee? What are its strengths and weaknesses? What role does it play with environmental issues? (please limit your response to 250 words)

I see the function of the committee as threefold: one, and unfortunately most pronounced currently, it has a lot of sway in local elections when it comes to ballot measures and candidates. Second, it helps foster the local party by engaging new voters or voters who perhaps just don’t feel like the current party speaks to them. Lastly, it does the work, getting qualified local, state, and national Democrats elected. Obviously, its endorsing power is strong, as we see in local elections. I would like to see that used to endorse a more diverse party that can start to tackle the kinds of challenges we face here, whether that’s building enough homes for all San Franciscans, making this a city you don’t really need a car in, or creating the resiliency we need to deal with climate-related issues like sea level rise. Unfortunately, all it can do is endorse and advise and a lot of local electeds run for it because it helps bolster their chances at staying in or running for future offices. That’s why it’s paramount that we support candidates who take our environmental issues seriously, and we do the work to get those kinds of people elected nationwide. It shouldn’t be a body where we are playing games, it should be a body where we are doing the work.

Q5

What relationship do you see between environmental protection and the quality of life in San Francisco? (please limit your response to 250 words)

It’s paramount that we do the work now to prevent even more disparate outcomes. Unfortunately, we already see that not everyone has equal climate protection, as we’ve seen with developments like the Hunter’s Point Shipyard. In addition, many of the new homes we are building are along the waterfront, where we need to take action to ensure those homes aren’t flooded halfway through the 21st century. We need to keep supporting measures like the Seawall Bond. I also think that the measures we take now can do a lot of good. Work we can do to get people out of cars and connect people with the joy of biking or the pleasure of running into friends and neighbors while commuting on the bus will do a lot to make our lives better in my opinion. So I think lots of the steps we can take to make our city more resilient will actually do a lot to make people happier in the long run.

Q6

Why do you want the SFLCV's endorsement? (please limit your response to 250 words)

When I look at the SFLCV, I see an environmental org that does what it does because of the same reasons I’m running for DCCC: you are interested in doing the work. That resonates with me a lot. I view a lot of my advocacy through the lens of environmentalism. It’s why I’m passionate about biking and connecting more people with the experience of biking in the city. It’s why I advocate for dense new homes throughout San Francisco so that we can live in a more environmentally friendly manner while still enjoying this great city. I appreciate your consideration in this matter, and trust the work I’m doing shows my commitment on these issues.