

Evolve Questionnaire

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Candidate First Name *This question is required.

Lucas

Candidate Last Name *This question is required.

Ramirez

Candidate Committee Name

Ramirez for Council 2016

FEC/FPPC ID number

1384620

Office Title *This question is required.

Councilmember

District Name *This question is required.

Mountain View

District Number *This question is required.

At Large

City where you are registered to vote *This question is required.

Mountain View

County where you are registered to vote *This question is required.

Santa Clara County

Political Party *This question is required.

Democrat

Campaign mailing address *This question is required.

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Campaign phone number *This question is required.

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Are you the incumbent office holder? *This question is required.

Yes

No

Previously held elected office (if any)

None

Please list your top three current endorsements

1 Santa Clara County Supervisor Joe Simitian

2 State Senator Jerry Hill

3 Councilmember Mike Kasperzak

For each question, select the multiple choice answer (Agree, Disagree, or Don't Know/Unsure) that best represents your position. If absolutely needed, space is provided at the end of the form for explanation.

1. California public schools have the largest class sizes in the nation and are at the bottom in per pupil spending. I support increasing state funding for K-12 public education. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

2. Funding for California higher education has been cut by billions over the last ten years with tuition doubling at public universities and colleges. I support restoring funding for higher education to pre-recession levels. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

3. I support spending government money to establish federal and state programs making high-quality preschools available to every child in America. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

4. Raising taxes on wealthy people and corporations to fund education and public safety is more important than lowering taxes on wealthy people and corporations. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

5. Affirmative action programs are still needed to counteract the effects of discrimination against women and minorities in employment and education. I support affirmative action as long as there are no rigid quotas. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

6. I support providing a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants in the U.S. if they meet certain requirements over a period of time. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

7. I support the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe versus Wade decision that established a woman's constitutional right to an abortion. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

8. I support allowing same-sex couples to marry and have marriage laws apply to them. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

9. I support stricter gun safety regulations including requiring background checks on anyone buying ammunition. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

10. I support the recent legislation that will increase the minimum wage in California to \$15 per hour by 2023. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

11. Closing the commercial property loopholes in Prop 13 can restore billions in funding for schools and public services. I support the regular reassessment of non-residential commercial properties at current market value if protections can be maintained for small businesses, homeowners and renters. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

12. I support an oil and gas extraction fee for California that will generate 1-2 billion dollars in annual state revenue and is similar to fees charged by other large oil producing states. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

13. I support California's landmark cap-and-trade market program to combat global warming by reducing greenhouse gas emissions. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

14. I support a single payer health insurance option like Medicare that is comprehensive, cost effective, and publicly provided to all residents of California. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

15. The Citizens United decision increased the political influence of major corporations, banks and financial institutions by allowing unlimited political expenditures. I support

overturning the Citizens United decision and I also support campaign finance reform that enacts new, tough, anti-corruption laws for politicians, lobbyists and super PACs. *This question is required.

Agree Disagree Don't Know/Not Sure

The following questions pertain to statewide initiatives that will appear on the November 2016 ballot. Please indicate what position you will take on each measure.

Prop. 55: Extension of Proposition 30 passed in 2012

Extends the temporary personal income tax increases on earnings over \$250,000 by twelve years.

Support Oppose No Position

Prop. 56: Cigarette tax

Increases cigarette tax by \$2.00 per pack, with an equivalent increase on other tobacco products and electronic cigarettes.

Support Oppose No Position

Prop. 57: Parole for Non-Violent Criminals

Allows parole consideration for persons convicted of nonviolent felonies upon completion of full prison term for primary offense.

Support Oppose No Position

Prop. 58: Bilingual Education in Public Schools

Overturns California's "English Only" initiative passed in 1998.

Support Oppose No Position

Prop. 62: Repeals Death Penalty

Replaces death penalty as maximum punishment for persons found guilty of murder with life imprisonment without possibility of parole.

Support Oppose No Position

Prop. 63: Gun Ammunition

Requires background checks for ammunition purchases and bans large capacity magazines.

Support Oppose No Position

Explanation (200 words max)

We are reviewing questionnaires from every California candidate for Federal, State and Local office. Please do not provide expanded explanation unless absolutely necessary. Thank you.