

State Assembly/Senate

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Board Member Santa Clara Unified & MetroEd Governing Boards - 27 years at SCUSD and 17 years at MetroEd

Top 3 priorities citywide

1. Career Technical Education - as a partial solution to affordability issues in Silicon Valley
2. Truly Smart Growth framed by infrastructure first
3. Advancing our environmental leaders in Silicon Valley

1. Who is your Campaign Manager?

TBD in discussions

2. What is your Campaign Budget?

For primary \$50 -\$100k

3. Please share your Top Ten Endorsements:

Due to space constraints here please see our website www.jimcanovaassembly2020.com

4. Would you support or oppose a 3 county ballot initiative for a permanent 1/8 cent sales tax to fund Caltrain?

Support

Smart transportation infrastructure [see www.jimcanovaassembly2020.com]

5. Do you support funding to complete a valley to valley connection through high speed rail?

Support

Smart transportation infrastructure [see www.jimcanovaassembly2020.com]

6. Would you support a measure dedicated to build and operate a world class, seamless integrated transit system to better serve Bay Area residents, funded through a one cent sales tax, to better serve the transit dependent and those of us still in our cars?

Support

Smart transportation infrastructure [see www.jimcanovaassembly2020.com]

7. Would you support state legislation to facilitate and encourage TOD within a half-mile of fixed-rail development, including streamlining housing approvals and establishing minimum zoning standards/heights?

Support

Yes, while protecting and preserving our existing affordable housing stock combined with tax incentives for living closer to work. Smart transportation infrastructure [see www.jimcanovaassembly2020.com]

8. Do you support reform of CEQA?

Support

Overdue and needed for the 21st century. Smart transportation infrastructure [see www.jimcanovaassembly2020.com]

9. *Would you support a ballot measure, such as Prop 8, that regulates the amount that healthcare providers may charge for services?*

Support

Healthcare profits should be invested in innovation and patient care.

10. *Do you support requiring all new buses purchased with federal funds be zero-emission beginning on October 1, 2029 (which is California's deadline for transitioning all transit bus purchases to zero-emission buses)?*

Support

Absolutely and wherever possible to do so. Smart transportation infrastructure [see www.jimcanovaassembly2020.com]

11. *Will you work with the Leadership Group and your Bay Area state legislative colleagues to develop a "Baylands Caucus" focused on a regional vision and plan of action for sea level rise, as well as funding to address our shared vulnerabilities?*

Support

Yes! Sacramento can establish the template for this regional work. Smart transportation infrastructure [see www.jimcanovaassembly2020.com]

12. *Do you support or oppose a proposed amendment to Proposition 13?*

Support

This should be a measured hybrid approach to modifying prop 13 which dates back to 1978.

13. *Will you support legislation that reduces the volatility of the California tax system?*

Support

California needs to review and update our tax system with regularity.

14. *Do you support the creation of a statewide student longitudinal data system?*

Support

Data is important but only one part of the solution. We are educating individuals and must employ every proven method of expanding their unique talents and skills.

15. *Will you address the higher education opportunity gap for underrepresented students and increase the number of graduates prepared for innovation economy careers?*

Support

Yes, our K-12 system should expand to include community college. This one step will increase the number of students who go on to 4 year degrees dramatically.

16. *Tell us about a time when you were opposed to a position of one of your major supporters. What was the issue? How did you handle this situation?*

I serve on 2 school boards. Disagreement and debate are to be expected. I am often the swing vote. I bring people together on the same page so we can advance the issues and decisions that those we represent depend upon. I will be highly effective in the assembly from day 1.

Additional Question asked on 10/15

17. *Are you in favor or in opposition of a ballot measure that will prohibit campaign contributions from advocates for development and tie the San Jose Mayoral term to the Presidential Election Cycle?*

Support

Moving the mayoral election to presidential election years makes good sense for a city the size of San Jose. Special interest money in city political races certainly would benefit from a careful and thoughtful review.