OREB 2026 Endorsement Questions and Information

The first step to gaining endorsement from Our Revolution East Bay is completing the Endorsement Questions. Please answer **every** question; it is important to know your values. Most questions are Yes or No at the end of each section you may expand on any of your answers. Your explanation should be **CONCISE.** We may publish your answers to any question. **The purpose of the questionnaire is to ensure that endorsed candidates' values align with those of OREB. OREB continually monitors the actions of endorsed candidates regarding their questionnaire responses.**

If you have concerns or questions, please contact Carol Coyote and Michael Cheng.

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Campaign Information

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She/Her

3. Position running for *

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Core Values

1. Do you pledge to take no money from Super PACs? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

2. Have you or will you accept contributions from AIPAC? *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

3. Have you or will you accept contributions from police unions?: *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

4. Have you or will you accept contributions from landlord/real estate developers? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

5. Do you support the Fair Elections/Clean Money Proposition (SB42)? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No

6. Do you support and will work for Universal Single payer Healthcare? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No

7. Do you oppose genocide and military occupation? For example: Gaza? Venezuela? Ukraine? Cuba? Greenland? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No

8. Do you support abolishing ICE? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No

9. Do you support legislation to tax billionaires? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

10. Optional: explanation of your responses to questions in this section (please be brief)

Campaign finances and support (please be explicit)

1. Who contributed to your campaign? Other than individual donations, who have and who will you receive donations? List all groups, unions, businesses (especially those doing business with the entity in which you seek to hold office). *

Alameda Labor Council, Oakland Education Association, SEIU 1021, Building Trades Council of Alameda, AFSCME 57, International Brotherhood of Electricians, Sheet Metal Workers,

2. Which candidates will/have you endorse/d and/or contribute/d? *

Anna Vasudeo, ACOE Board
Jennifer Brouhard, OUSD District 2
Sandra Weese, (Peralta BOT

3. Please list persons and organizations who have endorsed you. *

Alameda Labor Council
Oakland Education Association
Building Trades Council-A.C.
SEIU 1021
Mia Bonta, State Assemblymember
Liz Ortega, State Assemblymember
Nikki Fortunato Bas, Alameda County Supervisor
Kevin Jenkins, City Councilmember
Zack Unger, City Councilmember
Ryan Richardson, Oakland City Attorney
Vancedric Williams, OUSD Director
Rachel Latta, OUSD Director
Jennifer Brouhard, OUSD Director
East Bay Democratic Socialists of America
Alida Fisher, Commission SFUSD
Anna Vasudeo, Board Director BUSD
Alfred Twu, Berkeley Rent Board
Jennifer Shanoski, BUSD School Board Director
Caroline Torosis, Santa Monica City Council
Walter Riley, Civil Rights Attorney
Demetrio Gonzalez-Hoy, School Board Trustee West Contra Costa Area 4
George Galvis, Executive Director CURYJ
George Syrop, Hayward City Council
Jean Quan, Former Oakland Mayor
Leah Simon-Weisberg, Former Berkeley Rent Board Member
Louis Quindlen, Peralta Board Trustee Area 3
Matt Alexander, SFUSD board director
Chris Jackson, Oakland Rent Board
Pamela Drake
Ryan LaLonde, Alameda Unified
Soli Alpert, Berkeley Rent Board
Taylor Kayatta, Sac Unified Trustee

4. Please list PACs, and independent expenditure committees supporting you. *

N/A

5. List any/all industries, organizations and people that you will decline donations and endorsements from, * please be inclusive.

Empower Oakland, Charter Schools, Families in Action.

1. What do you think about the use of force by police? What and when is appropriate and what and when is not? *

Police force should only be used when another human life is imminently at risk.

2. Do you support banning private prisons? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

3. Do you support installing surveillance cameras such as FLOCK, which stores individual information, at public areas? *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

4. Do you oppose capital punishment? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

5. Should convicted felons and prison in-mates be granted the right to vote? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

6. Do you believe it is ever warranted to suspend due process? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

7. Optional: explanation of your responses to questions in this section (please be concise)

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Human Rights, Immigration, and Civil Rights

1. Do you support DACA? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No

2. Do you support closing immigration detention facilities? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No

3. Do you support increased funding for immigration assistance? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No

4. Should immigrants without felonies be given a path to citizenship? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

5. Do you support DEI? (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion) *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

6. Do you support reparations? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

7. Optional: explanation of your responses to questions in this section (please be concise)

Infrastructure Issues

1. Do you support public banking? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

2. Do you think public transit should be free? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

3. Optional: explanation of your responses to questions in this section (please be concise)

Current Labor Issues

1. Do you support a California “living wage”? How? *

Yes. I currently support the Alameda county living wage ballot initiative to raise the minimum wage to $30 and would support similar efforts statewide.

2. List 3 ideas to reduce the price of shelter in your community? *

-I am currently working on building affordable housing on vacant OUSD land
-We need a public housing developer in CA
- Expand and protect rent control and other tenant protections

3. What do you propose to protect renters in your community? Please comment on laws/acts, such as Costa Hawkins and others, to be repealed, and added/legislated? *

I support repeals Costa Hawkins, Good Cause Eviction standard, and increased enforcement of existing tenant laws. I am currently the Director of Oakland ACCE where we organize tenants to improve habitability and for stronger tenant laws.

4. Do you support the repeal of all laws that criminalize or punish homeless people? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

How do we provide/develop more affordable and low-cost housing? In your community and in California? *

I am currently working on developing affordable and workforce housing on vacant OUSD land.

Education (How do we provide affordable and quality education and childcare?)

1. Do you support charter schools? *

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

2. Should charter schools be at no cost and unionized? Please use examples in your community.

Yes, to the extent there are charters they should be no cost and unionized like Oakland School for the Arts.

3. Do you support no cost public college and university? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

4. Do you support the cancellation of all student debt? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

5. Do you support free universal public pre-K? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

6. Do you support free universal childcare for children under 5? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

7. Do you support “strengthening” Title IX including trans rights? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

8. Optional: explanation of your responses to questions in this section (please be concise) *

n/a

Environmental

1. How will you work to uphold environmental regulations in the face of the government's attempt to eradicate? Include and use example from your community. *

As chair of our facilities committee, I am committed to modernizing out schools in a climate neutral, environmentally sustainable manner. One example came from our students during the planning phase of our remodel at Melrose Leadership Academy, where we installed heat pumps as a climate neutral way to keep our classrooms cool as the climate warms. We will continue to support CA EPA independence and go above an beyond requirements from the federal government.

2. What do you think is the most critical environmental issue? In your community? *

Climate change. We are seeing classrooms become unbearably hot in the early months of school. This is a not a climate suitable for students to learn. We need to meet the challenge while not ourselves contributing to the climate crisis.

3. Do you support community and government oversight in the approval of and the construction of data centers for corporations? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

Election

1. Do you support the Constitutional amendment to repeal Citizens United? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

2. Will you uphold the Voting Rights Act? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

3. Do you support universal mail-in ballots? (such as was used for Prop 50) *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

4. Optional: explanation of your responses to questions in this section (please be concise)

US Foreign Policy – National Issues Affect Local Positions

1. Do you support the international campaign of BDS (Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions)? *

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

2. What should the US policy be on Palestine/Israel? *

We should immediately stop all weapons shipments to Israel and explore sanctions if Israel does not immediately withdraw from Gaza, stop settlement expansion, respect the 1967 border agreement, and provides basic civil rights to Palestinians within its borders.

3. Do you agree with the current economic sanctions? *

Not sure what is meant by this question. I support sanctions on Israel conditioned on an end to the genocide and full civil rights granted to Palestinians.

4. What are your views on the tariff policy?

While I oppose Trumps destructive and arbitrary tariff policy, I still continue to believe tariffs can be a useful tool in our toolbox to spur re-industrialization and on-shoring of jobs. Tariffs must be combined with other tools like subsidies and regulations to actually produce manufacturing industry in the US.

Anything Else?

1. Thanks for your time and thoughtfulness. Is there anything else we should know? *

Bernie would've won!

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