

East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club Endorsement Questionnaire

Thank you for your interest in obtaining an endorsement from the East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club.

Per the Club's bylaws, to be eligible for endorsement, a candidate must be a registered Democrat. All candidates must also complete this candidate questionnaire to be considered for an endorsement. Endorsements are decided by the general membership, and candidates must receive at least 60% of votes cast to be endorsed.

The deadline for questionnaires is posted on the East Bay Stonewall website (<http://eastbaystonewalldemocrats.org/Elections>). Any candidate submitting a questionnaire that is received after the deadline will not appear on the endorsement ballot. To ensure a fair process, no grace period will be granted.

Please return your completed questionnaire via Google forms by clicking submit at the bottom of this form. All form submissions are final. If you have questions, please contact Joe Greaves, EBSDC PAC chair via email at jsphgreaves@gmail.com.

Email *

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Name (First Last) *

Lena Tam

Are you a registered Democrat *

Yes

No

Office you are seeking? (e.g. City Council, School Board, Supervisor, etc) *

Supervisor

Jurisdiction *

Alameda County

District *

District 3

Are you an East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club member in good standing? If you are unsure, email eastbaystonewalldems@gmail.com. *

Yes

No

I self-identify as: (check all boxes that apply; note these identifiers will be used publicly during our endorsement process.) *

Gay

Lesbian

Transgender

Gender non-conforming

Bisexual

Queer

Straight

Other:

How have you participated in East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club activities, and/or supported the Club other ways? What other LGBTQ+ organizations are you affiliated with and in what capacity? What other Democratic clubs are you affiliated with? *

I have attended events and fundraiser of the East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club before COVID.

Asian Pacific American Democratic Caucus of Alameda County, current President

City of Alameda Democratic Club

EBMUD Affinity Group LBGTQIA Facilitated, joint resolutions and events in the company

Using specific examples, please identify the causes you have advocated for and the ways you have helped advance LGBTQ+ rights or otherwise helped foster a community of inclusivity for LGBTQ+ individuals and families. *

When I served on the Alameda City Council, I led the charge to fly the Rainbow flag during pride week in 2014, with assistance from Out on the Island. Alameda continues to fly the flag today. I supported "Out on the Island" and passed policies with the Department of Social Service and Human Relations Board to protect LGBTQ+ and to bring to light the necessity for anti-bullying in the workplace and in the schools.

In 2008 when gay marriage was finally legalized, our City Clerk was overwhelmed with requests, so I was certified to perform marriages to help get more same-sex couples married quicker. It was one of the most joyful things I ever did as a public official.

Have you previously supported LGBTQ+ candidates for office? If yes, did that include financial support? *

Evan Low, Assemblymember

Alex Lee, Assemblymember

Harris Mojadedi, Chabot Los-Positas Community College Board of Trustees

Ces Rosales, Central Committee

Mark Sorensen, Alameda Chamber of Commerce Executive Directors

Tom Squire, Alameda Hospital Foundation

Jim Oddie, Alameda City Council

Mark Takano, Congressman

Toni Atkins, Senator

Alfred Twu

Shawn Kumagi, Dublin City Council

Which LGBTQ+ organizations and elected officials have formally endorsed you for this race? *

Evan Low, Assemblymember, Harris Mojadedi, Chabot Los-Positas Community College

Please describe a policy/goal that is part of your formal platform that benefits the LGBTQ+ community? *

Eradicate homelessness which affects LGBTQ+ youth disproportionately. I will bring more resources to reduce anti-hate crimes for all marginalized communities. I will work to improve street safety will create a safer environment for all.

What makes you uniquely qualified for the office and how are you different or unique from the other candidates in your race? *

I have served in elected office as Vice-Mayor of Alameda, governing a municipality with similar issues at the County. I have also served as the elected president of the City of Alameda Health Care District Board of Directors to keep Alameda Hospital open and providing emergency services -- in a county where health care and social services make up more than half of the budget. I have also chaired the Alameda County Planning Commission in addressing land use challenges. I am the only Asian American woman running for Alameda County Supervisor in a county that is 33% Asian and 51% women. The Current Board is 0% women and 0% Asian. I have the lived experience, the heart, and the commitment to represent the people in District 3.

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