

Encinitas Taxpayers Candidate Questionnaires

Candidate	Candidates					Incumbents			Aceti	Seldon
	Nanninga	Sheffo	Brandenburg	Collier	Long	Stocks	Houlihan*	Bond*		
What does it mean to you, for a city to "live within its means"?	Spending only what you have. Not spending future revenue.	Limiting debt, no financial gimmickry, not raising taxes...	Don't go into debt unless absolutely necessary	Prioritize expenses. Borrow only when necessary.	Not over expose citizens to debt.	The policies Stocks advocated for speak for themselves.	No Response (NR)	Adopt only "balanced" budgets	NR	NR
<i>ETA Notes</i>						Over the last 4 years these council members voted to add \$20 million to the city's debt, and voted for increased taxes and fees.				
When is it appropriate for a city to utilize lease-revenue bonds?	Never	For revenue generating Projects	Only when absolutely necessary	For revenue generating projects	"Skeptical of entire bonding process"	"For long term infrastructure"	NR	NR	NR	NR
<i>ETA Notes</i>					Long publicly supported \$20 mill bonds ('06)	Stocks, Bond, and Houlihan have illegitimately used LR bonds. See August ETA newsletter.				
Should an elected board, independent of the city council, run the water district?	Yes	Yes	Don't know	Unclear	No	No	NR	NR	NR	NR
Could the city improve its real estate transaction practices?	Improvement Needed	Improvement Needed	Yes	Improvement Needed	Yes	"[I am] open to new information"			NR	NR
<i>ETA Notes</i>						These incumbents have not publicly reacted to calls to create a real estate transaction policy. The city has blown taxpayer dollars on several recent real estate transactions.				
Would you support an independent forensic audit?	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	NR	NR	NR
Position on Water Tax (Prop C)	For	Against	?	Against	?	For	For	For	The pro-C campaign was run by her Treasurer	
<i>ETA Notes</i>						The ETA ran a successful campaign to defeat Prop C. Read about Prop C on the ETA blog.				
No New Taxes	No Pledge	Pledged	No Pledge	No Pledge	No Pledge	No Pledge	No Pledge	No Pledge	No Pledge	No Pledge

NR=No Response

Review the candidate's complete answers at www.encinitastaxpayers.org/candidates.html