CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR MAYOR

Name: Frank Matarrese

Occupation: City Councilmember/Alameda Business Owner **Age:** 63

My education and gualifications are: As Mayor, I will keep you informed. I will listen. I will lead. My priorities are to keep Alameda thriving by making decisions in the best interest of the entire city. I will continue protecting our City services. I have served as your councilmember since 2014 and from 2002 to 2010. I was a leader in efforts to build our Main Library, restore the Alameda Theater, promote new parks, support wildlife conservation (the Alameda Point harbor seal float!) and establish Alameda's Fiscal Sustainability and Climate Action Plans. I voted for commercial re-use of buildings at Alameda Point and for launching development delivering \$88 million toward Alameda Point backbone infrastructure. I want reasonable approaches for development. I will work to untangle traffic. I will seek new ways to address housing issues, especially for our most vulnerable. I will continue to make prudent Budget decisions and take action to protect our environment. Alameda faces many challenges and I welcome ideas from all residents and organizations for the betterment of our community. I commit to civility and focus during Council meetings so we can make decisions in the best interest of Alameda. Thank you for your consideration and vote. f.j.matarrese@gmail.com 510-759-9290

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR MAYOR

Name: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft

Occupation: City Councilmember/Arbitrator

My education and gualifications are: For six years on the Alameda City Council, I've proven that I'm a thoughtful, independent leader with integrity, focus, and determination. I'm running for Mayor to provide the stable, constructive leadership Alameda needs to meet our challenges and opportunities. We're a great city, full of promise and potential, yet many in Alameda struggle to pay for housing. Rising costs are driving seniors and young people from our city, or onto our streets. New leadership is needed to create jobs and housing for people at all income levels, stop displacement, and improve transit opportunities for residents and commuters. I championed a balanced project at Alameda Point that's eradicating blight while creating employment, housing, and recreational opportunities. In city policy and contracts, I've insisted on bold solutions that reduce traffic congestion and protect our environment by expanding transit and adding bike lanes. For twenty years I've worked for the people of Alameda – on the Planning Board, and leading campaigns to build our Main Library and save Alameda Hospital. My husband and I have lived most of our lives in Alameda, and raised our children here. I ask for your vote because Alameda needs a Mayor who gets results. UC Davis, Bachelor of Science Degree; Santa Clara University School of Law, Juris Doctor www.Marilyn4Alameda.org

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR MAYOR

Name: Trish Spencer

Occupation: Mayor of Alameda, Attorney, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and Alameda Museum Volunteer, Co-Chair Alameda Youth Collaborative (35+ organizations), and former Alameda Unified School District (AUSD) Board Member, PTA Council President, and Substitute Teacher.

My education and gualifications are: B.A. (Sociology), U.C. Berkeley; Juris Doctor, Western State University. Masters in Governance, CSBA. I raised four children in Alameda. I am the independent voice of reason on City Council, always voting for Alamedans' best long-term interests, after listening to everyone. I work tirelessly to ensure Alameda serves all residents. When Alamedans need help, I listen and solve their problems, big and small, collaborating with City Council and Staff (Friends of the Alameda Animal Shelter contract resolved; business owner received permits; resident's electricity restored). I support Alamedans' efforts, attending thousands of events (U.S. Coast Guard, Alameda Mastick Senior Center, Scouts, Relay for Life, Friends of the Library, Kiwanis, Rotary). My decisions support our amazing island community: bluegreen economy (Saildrone, The Ocean Cleanup, The Wild Oyster Project), conservation (sponsoring "straws on request," bird-safe buildings, heritage trees and light pollution ordinances); parks (Corica Golf Complex, Crab Cove, Jean Sweeney Park); arts (Alameda Film Festival, Animate Dance Festival, Island City Opera), fitness (Alameda Running Festival, Alameda Bike for the Parks), business (internships; career technical programs; safe, legal cannabis), smart development (prioritizing jobs, workforce housing, safe streets); and reduce homelessness (increased Operation Dignity funding; rent stabilization). I vote "no" when necessary to manage Alameda's budget, not increase taxes (which increase displacement and gentrification), and ensure transparency and accountability. I am a dedicated, compassionate, hands-on leader who appreciates your input. Together, we are leading Alameda to new opportunities! Thank you for your vote. Let's do it again! www.MayorTrish.com, 510-863-4496, #ThePeoplesMayorTrish

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR COUNCILMEMBER

Name: John Knox White

Occupation: Transportation Planner

My education and qualifications are: For 16 years, I've raised my family here in Alameda and worked to make our city a more vibrant and welcoming place we can all call home. As a planner, I'm ready to address the big changes happening in our city and region to maintain the community we all love. After a decade and a half on City boards, I have experience in getting things done. As Alameda Planning Board President, I increased affordable housing availability and stabilized housing costs for many renters. As Alameda Transportation Commission Chair, I protected walkable, bikeable neighborhoods and co-authored rules requiring all new developments to pay for expanded transportation services that reduce traffic. I've fought for families, veterans, and domestic abuse victims in Alameda. I wrote Alameda's Sunshine Ordinance to build trust with City Hall. On the City Council, I will bring the community into the discussion to strengthen our small business corridors and find solutions to the housing crisis that reduce traffic impacts. Join Assemblymember Rob Bonta, former Alameda Mayor Marie Gilmore, Board of Education President Gray Harris, and BART Board President Robert Raburn; they know I'm a hard worker who understands the issues and cares deeply about Alameda. www.JohnKnoxWhite.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR COUNCILMEMBER

Name: JIM ODDIE Occupation: Alameda Councilmember Age: 54

My education and gualifications are: As your Councilmember and Assemblymember Rob Bonta's District Director, I work with the community for the results we need. established Central Alameda's Emergency Operations Center; Together, we've: maintained our 911 response times; and supported the Community Paramedicine Program, providing life-saving services for at-risk people/patients. With you, I've fought for Alameda's fair share of money to fix local streets/potholes while installing pedestrian crossing lights, undergrounding neighborhood utilities, and maintaining our roads before they're more expensive to fix in the future. My priorities: 1) 911 Fire, Police and Emergency Medical Services: Alamedans who need help, should get it fast. Alameda Hospital must continue to stay open. 2) Traffic! We must reduce traffic congestion for our quality of life. 3) Housing/Homelessness: I'll work to expand housing options our children and local workforce can afford. Compassionate services will provide effective transition from the street for the homeless. 4) Quality of Life: I'll continue to protect our small-town character and maintain services all generations need -- senior health/nutrition programs; city-school partnerships; school safety; and low-cost recreation programs for all ages. Public Safety/Neighborhood Leaders, Assemblymember Bonta, Supervisor Wilma Chan, endorse my re-election. Need assistance? Contact jim@oddie4alameda.com

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR COUNCILMEMBER

Name: Stewart Chen

Occupation: Experienced Civic-minded Leader and Social Advocate.

My education and gualifications are: I have lived in Alameda since 1989 and served on many public boards and commissions including Alameda City Council, Alameda Hospital Board, and Social Service Board, as well as the County Human Relations Commission. I am dedicated to serving Alameda and determined to bring changes that will improve the quality of life for all Alamedans. Together, we can make Alameda better! During my tenure, we completed the conveyance of the Navy Base and passed a city resolution to reserve 500 acres as open space. We brought the crime rate down, improved street safety and created one million dollars surplus, as well as improved our city's credit rating. Housing, transportation, and public safety are my top three priorities. I will push for policies that will provide the best tools to make our community safe. We will fix our roads and work on solving the traffic congestion challenges. As your former Councilmember, I have worked hard to ensure that your government is transparent and effective and your tax dollars were spent wisely, and I will continue to do so when elected. Please join retired Alameda County Superior Court Judge Chester Bartalini along with Mayor Trish Spencer, Honorable Fiona Ma, Bill Withrow, Sandre Swanson, and Alice Lai-Bitker in voting for me this November. Stewartchen.org

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR COUNCILMEMBER

Name: Tony Daysog

Occupation: Urban and Economic Development Planner **My education and qualifications are:** I was the Student Body President of Encinal High School in the Spring of 1984 when I helped bring the first jet (A-4 Skyhawk) onto the front lawn of Encinal. Over the years, I have had the honor of helping our community in a number of ways, including as a past Councilmember, Economic Development Commissioner, and military base closure commission member. I am running because I see a City Hall that has lost touch with the common Alamedan, focusing instead on the needs of the fire union and developers. I want and envision an Alameda where we are not over-building -- our infrastructure (e.g. Posey Tube, Island Drive, and Park Street Bridge) is incapable of handling extra traffic loads. I will help Alameda achieve this vision by employing my city planning professional experience in an effort to work for a slower, safer, and economically-sound way of life. I have a Master's degree in City Planning from UC Berkeley, where I also earned my BA degree. Thank you for your consideration. http://www.daysog.com/

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR COUNCILMEMBER

Name: Robert C. Matz

Occupation: Attorney/Small Business Owner/Community Volunteer **Age:** 53

My education and gualifications are: Over the last 20 years, my wife and I have served the community through youth sports, arts, and cultural programs. We've watched as special interests have slowly taken control of our local government. The result is our island, and our quality of life, are now under threat. The City of Alameda is more than a half a billion dollars in the red; we have \$235 million dollars in unfunded pension liability, and \$300 million dollars in deferred infrastructure maintenance. The only solutions being offered are to raise taxes, approve more bonds, and build more. Based upon flawed traffic studies and empty promises of workforce housing, thousands of market rate units have been approved, with thousands more market rate units coming up for approval. This is not sustainable growth; it is growth gone wild. If elected, I will vote based upon what's best for Alameda and all of its citizens. I am not accepting campaign contributions from unions, developers, or companies doing substantial business with the City: the people have the right to know decisions are being made on the merits, not money. Alameda is not for sale! Learn more at Vote Matz on Facebook. B.A., Highest Honors, University of California at Berkeley (English), J.D., Berkeley Law.