

JIM ODDIE

Occupation: Alameda City Councilmember

Age: 56

My education and qualifications are: Serving as your Councilmember for the last 6 years has been an honor. I'm proud that together, we've improved emergency operations, made significant investments in safe streets for all, and secured landmark advances in affordable housing, tenant protections, and compassionate solutions for our unhoused neighbors. We face enormous challenges and opportunities in the coming year, especially how we deal with COVID-19. While Alameda has fared better than most of our neighbors in this pandemic, vigilance, foresight, and preparation are critical. I've put protection and safety first. We've prevented commercial and residential evictions and been responsive to our treasured small businesses as we forge a local economy that can weather this storm. We've also heard the clarion call: Black Lives Matter – and must embrace this moment to tear down the legacy of systemic racism. We must end exclusionary zoning in Alameda, securing for more of our neighbors an opportunity to find affordable housing and attain the dream of homeownership. My vision and purpose in public service is to defend an Alameda that is inclusive, welcoming, and resolute. Now that we face the greatest economic and public health challenge we've ever seen, I'm ready to meet this moment. www.Oddie4Alameda.com