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1. A better estuary crossing is a top priority project in the city’s Bike Plan, and a west-end bicycle and pedestrian bridge is a top tier project in the Caltrans District 4 Bike Plan. Are you supportive of a west-end bicycle and pedestrian bridge? If so, what have you done to date to support its development? What will you do, as a council member to support it?

If you are referring to the Oakland – Alameda Embarcadero- Marina Village crossing, I am fully supportive of this new bike/ pedestrian path. I am actually extremely excited about this new pedestrian drawbridge. I walked across the Estuary from inside the tube once and it was such a horrible experience.

1. The transportation element of the city’s General Plan envisions streets for all users. In order to achieve that mix, tradeoffs sometimes need to be made. Are you willing to take back space from cars and reallocate it to people who walk, bike, and take transit?

My track record on the council will show that I supported the Shoreline Drive Cycle track and the reduction of four travel lanes to two.

1. A major bicycle and pedestrian safety improvement project is the redesign of Central Ave. from Sherman St. to Alameda Point. The one section without final approved design is the section from Washington Park to Paden Elementary School, which includes the Webster St. intersection. Do you support — and will you vote to approve — a physically separated, two way, bike lane (similar to Fernside) for this section?

Absolutely!

1. The updates to the city’s Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans are past due. How will you, as a council member, ensure there is sufficient funding and staff resources (Planning, Engineering, Public Works, etc...) to update these plans? What would you like to see in the updates to this plan?

Assign a dedicated staff person as the point person in all matters related to bike and pedestrian plans, and to coordinate with other staff members (planning, engineering, public works, etc.).

1. When new development or infrastructure changes are in progress, key components such as bike parking, sidewalk widths, etc.. that were approved in the plans are sometimes either not implemented, or implemented in a substandard manner. It has been a challenge to fix errors during implementation, even when the city is made aware of those shortfalls. What process improvements would you champion to address these shortcomings?

Have our bike coordinator attend all planning board discussions in its earliest stage of the planning and voice any concerns that we may have.
1. What transportation choices do you personally make in order to reduce your carbon footprint?

I used to own a Zip Car which was 100% electric until it broke down.

1. Please use the table below to list your tenure on any public boards and commissions. Please list any other relevant projects that you’ve worked on.

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