



**Imperial Beach
Democratic Club**
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(please use bold blue font when filling out the questionnaire)

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Website: NA
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- 1.) Have you been registered OTHER than a Democrat? YES NO
- 2.) How long have you been registered as a Democrat? ENTIRE LIFE
- 3.) How long have you been a resident of the district? 8 YEARS
- 4.) Have you run for or been elected to public office previously?
 YES NO

If "YES", what office did you run for, or previously hold?

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

- 1.) Why are you running for office?
THERE IS STILL WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE
HERE IN COASTAL UTOPIA.
- 2.) Why are you seeking endorsement from the Imperial Beach Democratic Club?
IT IS MY HOME CLUB
- 3.) List your top three policy agenda goals for your campaign:
- PUBLIC SAFETY
- WATER QUALITY
- HOUSING

4.) Imperial Beach is ever increasingly under greater threat of sea level rise, high-tide flooding, coastal erosion, and higher storm surge.

a) Do you believe the science that says climate change is real?

YES [] NO [] Requires further explanation:

b) Do you believe that climate change can be mitigated or reversed?

YES [] NO [] Requires further explanation:

c) If elected, how will you use your office to meet the climate-related challenges facing Imperial Beach? Please explain.

CONTINUE TO SUPPORT ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES

5.) Will you affirm a commitment to environmental justice: no community should be subjected to environmental hazards due to race, economic standing, or immigration status?

YES [] NO [] Requires further explanation:

6.) For decades, Imperial Beach has been plagued by an unrelenting sewage spill from south of the international border. The constant flow of millions of gallons of waste, including untreated sewage, trash, pesticides, and heavy metals, make our beaches toxic and inaccessible to our residents for extended periods of time. Additionally, the sustained pollution of the Tijuana River impacts our air quality, biological resources, and hurts our overall economy. If elected, what is your plan to support the Mayor's solutions for the Tijuana River Valley? Please explain.

I WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE MAYOR IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE

7.) Will you affirm a commitment to housing justice: housing is a human right regardless of status and not for the marginalization of poorer residents into less desirable areas that frequently have higher pollution levels and other health risks?

YES [] NO [] Requires further explanation:

8.) Will you promote food safety, the "eat local" movement, small family farms, urban gardens, and healthy food alternatives?

YES [] NO [] Requires further explanation:

10.) What is your vision for developing our local economy, balancing the need to preserve our beach town vibe with increasing demand for development? Please explain:

I SUPPORT LOCAL ONLY

Signed:

Matthew Leyba-Sanzales

Date:

3/5/24