



2018 City Council Candidate Questions

QUALITY OF LIFE

What two things would you prioritize to make Palo Alto and its neighborhoods more livable?

PAT BOONE

Relieving traffic headaches and managing business caps.

ALISON CORMACK

- Create a robust shuttle system that provides transportation for people of all ages and abilities, thereby reducing traffic and parking problems along with greenhouse gases
- Rebuild the Cubberley Community Center to provide great spaces for non-profits, artists, dancers, singers, mental health professionals, athletes, seniors, kids, life long learners, and more.

TOM DUBOIS

1. Create a Transportation department goal of minimizing cut through traffic through local neighborhood streets by maximizing vehicle flow on our major arterials along with our other transportation policies aimed at reducing commuter traffic on our roadways. Except where there are demonstrated safety issues, changes should not decrease vehicle flow.
2. Fund and execute on our Parks and Recreation Master plan which is filled with improvements to benefit all neighborhoods in Palo Alto.

ERIC FILSETH

Implement the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, including selected parkspace acquisition such as the "AT&T Acre" to expand Boulware Park.

We still have some neighborhoods with too much cut-through traffic, that we could reduce using mechanisms such as rush-hour turn restrictions.

CORY WOLBACH

Only two? If forced to choose, I would begin with prioritizing mobility for all, and more accessibility to our public spaces and parks.

It is important for people of all ages and ability levels to be able to safely and conveniently get around town. Whether driving, biking, walking, taking a shuttle, or riding a bus, we all need to get around. Whether going to work, school, the doctor, shopping, to a theater or sporting event, a park, or just

friend's home, mobility is essential to our quality of life. Making it safe and convenient is our responsibility.

It is also important that we make our public spaces welcoming for all ages and ability levels. For instance, for many people, especially children, parents of children, and seniors, having restroom facilities is such a basic need that I am still shocked by how many of our important public spaces and neighborhood parks still lack restrooms. Also, for Palo Altans who don't drive, we should have a shuttle for visiting our open space areas: Foothills Park, Arastradero Preserve, and Baylands. Palo Altans value our parks, and we should all be able to enjoy them.