



2026 City Council Candidate Questions

Cause for Recusal

Do you have any interests, such as ties to Stanford, developers, or other entities that would cause you to recuse yourself on issues that are before the council? If so, what are they?

BRYNA CHANG

No.

Though I formerly worked for Stanford University — as Director of the MBA Program Office, Acting Director of the Public Management Program, and as a lecturer at the Graduate School of Business, I no longer hold a position at Stanford. I have no ties to developers or other entities that would create conflicts of interest.

YUDY DENG

No.

HENRY ETZKOWITZ

Did not answer.

GARY GECHLIK

I attended Stanford Law School, and I am an active alumni.

RAYMOND LEE GOINS

No I. Don't.

BRIAN HAMACHEK

I have ties to Stanford University. I would disclose that connection if it created a conflict of interest.

ED LAUING

No. None.

VICKI VEENKER

I have been outside patent counsel to Stanford since 1989. However, I have been winding that down and have not done work for them for about six months. Therefore, I expect the conflict to abate once the one-year period following the last work expires.