

City of Sunnyvale
Candidate Statements of Qualifications
GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
District 6
November 5, 2024

Candidate Statement of Qualifications.	
Candidates:	Date Qualified
District 6	
Richard Leshner CFA / Army Captain	August 1
Beverly Blau Software Engineer / Parent	August 2
Eileen Le Sunnyvale School District Board Trustee	August 8

California Elections Code [Section 13313](#) and [Section 13314](#) Public Examination Period:
Aug. 15 through Aug. 23

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR

Office Sought: City of Sunnyvale, Member, City Council, District 6
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Candidate Name: Richard Leshner
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Occupation: Chartered Financial Analyst / Army Reserve Captain
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Education and Qualifications:

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1 I love living in Sunnyvale where my family enjoys the parks, activities
2 and walkable lifestyle that makes life enjoyable. Our kids thrive in
3 public school with fantastic teachers. It's important to me that our
4 city continues to offer great services while addressing affordability
5 from Mobile Homes to Single-Family and Multiunit Residences. I will work
6 for equitable community investment and a safer D6 and Sunnyvale.
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8 I serve on Sunnyvale's Personnel Board and have gained valuable insights
9 into city operations. I'm proud to live in a city with healthy long-
10 range fiscal planning. I bring my experience in financial oversight and
11 management. With an MBA, CFA, and two decades in financial services,
12 I've administered budgets of \$120M and investments of \$200M. My
13 background includes command of 170 soldiers and responsibility for \$53M
14 in equipment in the Army Reserves. Additionally, as Treasurer of a
15 nonprofit for 5 years, I revitalized financial transparency and oversaw
16 revenue double to \$3.9M during my tenure.
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18 Electing me brings a responsible fiduciary and objective approach to
19 decision-making. I'm passionate about enhancing the quality of life for
20 everyone in Sunnyvale. I would be honored to have your support.
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22 Please visit <https://VoteLeshner.com> for more information.

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Candidate Name: BEVERLY BLAU
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Occupation: Software Engineer / Parent
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I believe in honesty, fairness, and dignity for all.

I oppose the current plan to put townhomes at Lakehaven and Lawrence, where the New Wing Yuan grocery store is. We need more affordable housing, but we shouldn't create a food desert in the process. Perhaps we can convert empty office buildings into high-density housing. I will also fight for fair practices regarding mobile home space rental.

I am an environmentalist. Black plastic containers and berry clamshells can't be recycled, so we should discourage the sale of them in our city.

I will look into ways the city can increase the number of reliable childcare facilities, so waitlists won't be 6 months long.

I will keep calling CalTrans until they fix our potholes on the 101 fwy.

Overall, I want to make Sunnyvale a livable place for future generations to come. I look forward to hearing about your issues and concerns, and I hope I can earn your vote and your trust. Learn more at: bev4sunnyvale.com.

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Office Sought: City of Sunnyvale, Member, City Council, District 6
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Candidate Name: Eileen Le
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Occupation: Sunnyvale School District Board Trustee
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I'm running for Sunnyvale City Council to represent and serve YOU, my neighbors in District 6. I have the deep knowledge, broad experience, and community values to ensure your voice is heard on City Council.

I've lived in this community for a decade, and as a current Sunnyvale School Board member, I understand our families' needs. I served on SESD as we welcomed students and staff back to campus. I built relationships with federal, state, local, business, and non-profit leaders, and I'll leverage those relationships to bring badly needed resources to North Sunnyvale.

As a parent, our kids are my top priority. I'll work to improve city services and recreation programs for D6, so that our kids have the same opportunities as South Sunnyvale's. I'll get safer bicycle and pedestrian routes built, so that they can walk and bike to school safely. And I'll fight for parks, grocery stores, and affordable housing, so that they can grow up in a healthy community, one with room for them to come back and thrive as grown-ups.

I'm proud to be endorsed by Mayor Larry Klein, School Board President Isabel Jubes-Flamerich, Assemblymember Evan Low, and many more. You can learn more at www.eileenforsunnyvale.com. Thank you for reading, and I respectfully ask for your vote.

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