

Gabriela Basua

Occupation: Housing Manager

Age: 40

I am running for Council District 5 because I have the local government experience and community involvement background to make a difference for South Oxnard.

I have worked for the City of Port Hueneme Housing Department for 15 years, including one year as a Union Steward. My husband Michael and I have raised our three children in the College Estates neighborhood for the last 16 years, and we've been active volunteers in youth sports, Parent-Teacher Organization, and local non-profits. Born and raised in South Oxnard, I grew up in Lemonwood, graduated from Channel Islands High School, and hold a Bachelor's from University of LaVerne. All of these experiences have provided me with the realistic perspective and knowledge to devise creative solutions to Oxnard's unique problems.

South Oxnard faces challenges with homelessness, lack of maintenance in parks and infrastructure, scarce economic development, and rising crime. My years in local government provide me with the expertise to facilitate long-term results in order to provide growth and stability for the entire community.

I ask for your vote to be your voice on the Oxnard City Council. Please visit www.gabrielabasua.com to find out more about me and what I will do for you. Thank you for your consideration!

Name: Francine Castanon

Age: (Leave Blank)

Occupation: Oxnard Commissioner/Businesswoman

I'm a fourth-generation Oxnard resident, who's raised 4 children here. I've served Oxnard as a City Commissioner for 5 years. I served our country in the United States Army and as a Veteran Liaison for the State of California.

With my deep roots in Oxnard, I've seen Oxnard at its best and its worst. I love our city, and I will work for you – and with you – to make the best Oxnard possible.

As your Councilwoman, I will be accountable and transparent. I will fight for:

Better streets and sidewalks

Stronger public safety

More equity and efficiency in our City services

Fiscal responsibility in all City spending

Better solutions to homelessness

My graduate education in public finance and my experience in both State and City governments give me the knowledge and skills to scrutinize our Oxnard City government. My current work in the private sector provides me an understanding of what small businesses need to survive – and thrive. With my experience as a Teamster, I know what working people need in Oxnard.

As an Army veteran, mother, City commissioner, and businesswoman, I would be honored to serve as your City Councilwoman.

Please cast your vote for Francine Castanon for City Council.

www.vote4francine.com

Name: Kari Cryder

Age: (Leave Blank)

Occupation: Oxnard Small Businesswoman

My husband, Erik, and I have lived in Oxnard for over 20 years, where we raised our two children, who graduated from the Oxnard School District. After I earned a foster care license, we also raised two foster children here in Oxnard.

I've never held political office before: I'm a mother and businesswoman who is concerned that Oxnard's City resources have been neglected and mismanaged.

If you elect me as your City Councilwoman, I will:

Represent the needs and opinions of the people of Oxnard, first and foremost

Implement a sound, effective City budget

Ensure proper maintenance of Oxnard's infrastructure

I understand the struggles of Oxnard families. I worked my way through college as a waitress. I served as a home health provider to make ends meet.

Two years after Erik and I married, our first child was born. We decided to move to Oxnard to raise our family here because of Oxnard's beautiful farms, beaches, harbors, and communities with a diversity of culture, heritage, labor skills, and income. I want Oxnard to reach its great potential by ensuring our Council represents the needs of our diverse community.

I respectfully ask for your vote for Kari Cryder for City Council.

Name: Tim Flynn

Occupation: Mayor of Oxnard

Several years ago, I promised the residents of Oxnard honest, competent and transparent government at City Hall. I also asked you to Believe in Oxnard.

I believe the following accomplishments and goals represent my qualifications for Mayor of Oxnard.

Under my leadership: the City Council stopped an illegal retirement benefit for retired department heads.

The City Council saved the City several times from possible bankruptcy.

The City continues repaving hundreds of lane-miles of city streets and roads and an aggressive attack against graffiti and urban blight.

The Collection at Riverpark is thriving, providing additional sales tax revenue to the City.

The City created the One-Stop Permit Center to help local businesses prosper.

Many challenges remain: I will insist that all City employees continue paying their fair share toward their retirement benefits.

I will support public safety by adding more police to the gang enforcement unit, investing in a gang-intervention program and hiring more firefighters.

I continue to support the reinvigoration of Downtown retail through attractive, exciting mixed-use lofts and apartments for professionals and artists.

Finally, I will continue fighting for the highest possible water quality and Channel Islands Harbor revitalization.

I humbly request your support.

Tim Flynn, Mayor

Carolina Gallardo Magana

I ask for your vote.

I have lived in District 6 since 1990 and know the people, businesses and places very well. I know what many residents of South Oxnard experience, as a field worker, nursery worker, small business owner, mother and grandmother, and as an immigrant overcoming very difficult times, learning English and business skills on the job, and succeeding through much hard work. I am a dedicated participant in the Southwinds neighborhood council, working to improve everything for my neighbors.

I am Chief Management Officer of a Day Program for intellectually disabled people for almost 25 years. In November of 2013, I built a successful business, a Licensed Residential Care Facility for people with special needs, including autism, Down syndrome and other special needs.

We must work together to have a better city with a clean environment, clean streets and alleys and stronger public safety. I will be the voice of the people who I will faithfully serve. I would be honored by your vote. Together we can make the difference for our city and be an example of unity and better community integration for future generations to come.

(TAI HARTLEY)

As a successful local business woman and lifetime resident, I am proud to call Oxnard my home and am passionate about ensuring the continued success and growth of our city. Having lived in Oxnard since 1985, I've gone to school here, currently employed within the county, and thanks to Oxnard's generous First Time Home Buyer's program, purchased my first home.

Throughout my life I have lived in various areas of the city, Central, Colonia, El Rio, Rose Park, and recently moved to Riverpark. My environment may have changed dramatically, however my commitment to improve challenges throughout the city has not.

I will be diligent in making our community safer by working to reduce crime and gang violence, helping decrease the homeless population by creating better resources to help citizens thrive independently along with providing ongoing services for those that cannot. I also plan to increase affordable housing options by developing short term programs for those that need assistance getting started and long-term solutions for those in need. I believe these action plans will remain successful by continuously seeking preventative measures. My goal is to see this happens.

I appreciate your consideration and look forward to an opportunity to help Oxnard succeed.

(VIANEY LOPEZ)

As a life-long resident of Oxnard, I am running for City Council to help our community address issues of affordability, housing and create opportunities for working families.

While we have seen some progress to improve the lives of residents, there is more work to be done.

It is imperative for our City to have good governance and transparency, and to work on behalf of residents to address and improve our city systems including transportation, water and infrastructure.

My experience as a Trustee of the Hueneme Elementary School District has allowed me to advocate to improve curriculum, build upon our successes, and provide safe schools for our youth to receive the education they need and deserve while balancing budgets.

In my work for our region's Congressional and State Legislative Representatives I have worked on the critical issues facing our community, including health care, immigration, labor and housing. As a result of my work with the City of Oxnard to grow travel and tourism and improve business opportunities for residents and entrepreneurs I have experience and background in our local economic challenges.

Public service is a value that I live every day and I hope to earn your vote.

www.vianeyforoxnard.com

Name: Ken Oplinger

Age: 48

Occupation: Regional Non-Profit Executive

I'm Ken Oplinger, and I'm running for City Council because it is long past time that Oxnard is seen and respected as the world-class city we all deserve.

I will support public safety, prioritize road and sidewalk maintenance and repair, and ensure the City is providing outstanding core services to our communities. I will work to bring high-quality jobs to the community, striving to ensure Oxnard is known as a leader in economic development and quality growth.

As we strengthen our economy, we expand our tax base, providing more resources for public safety, sound infrastructure and environmental stewardship. We are able to build a better city while maintaining the beauty and amenities that brought us all here in the first place.

I will represent every single person in the 1st District, and treat everyone in our community and every member of City staff with the respect they deserve. I am excited and energized to bring my experience to the City of Oxnard, and I ask for your vote on November 6th.

For more information, please go to www.ken4oxnard.com.

Proposed Bert Perello Ballot Statement for November 2018 Election

Name: Bert Perello
Occupation: Member, Oxnard City Council

Age: 67

Beginning with my election to City Council in June 2013, I have fought for OPEN, HONEST, and EFFECTIVE public decision-making by the Oxnard City Council.

I have a clear record of fighting for the People's Interests, NOT Special Interests. And I have the political scars to prove it.

I successfully LED the Council fight to recover \$68,000 in unlawful Supplemental Retirement Benefit Payments made by former City Manager Ed Sotelo.

I helped save millions of City taxpayers' dollars in 2014 by casting a decisive third-vote OPPOSING the ill-advised proposed settlement of a scurrilous and expensive lawsuit filed by former City Manager Ed Sotello.

I SPEARHEADED the Council's adoption of the first-ever "Whistle Blower Policy" in the City's history in 2017. One designed to fight against government waste, fraud, and abuse.

And in 2018, I SHEPHERDED the Council's efforts to develop the first-ever job description for our new City Manager, along with clear, cogent, and crisp measures to evaluate his performance in that critical position.

The public health, safety, and welfare of District 1 and ALL Oxnard residents will always be my HIGHEST Public Service priority.

On November 6, 2018, please Vote for Bert Perello for Oxnard City Council – District 1.

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Name: Lance Ralston
Occupation: Oxnard Teacher/Pastor

Age: N/A

My wife, Lynn, and I founded Calvary Chapel Oxnard 36 years ago when we felt the call to serve our community. A decade ago, we started a small private high school to educate this community's young people, where I still teach history.

I serve as a police chaplain, helping brave law enforcement officers by providing them with support and guidance when they need it most.

I've dedicated my life to serving our community, working to improve the lives of Oxnard families.

If you elect me to represent you on the Oxnard City Council, I will work to ensure our city government enables average Oxnard residents to have access to City Hall. Oxnard's city government should work for the people, not just for the powerful special interests who can hire lobbyists to navigate the strict rules of City Hall.

I'm a native Californian, and my wife and I have three children and three grandchildren. We've taught our children and grandchildren that people can have different opinions and views, but respect one another and agree to disagree. I will bring that same approach to the City Council.

I would be honored if you vote for Lance Ralston for Oxnard City Council.

(CARMEN RAMIREZ)

I am seeking your vote on November 6. I will work with you and my council colleagues to improve District 2 and the entire city of Oxnard.

I have a proven record of making difficult but important decisions for our city's future and your family's well-being.

During my tenure I have:

Voted to secure our financial future by strengthening Oxnard's infrastructure, financial health, sustainability, accountability and creditworthiness.

Voted for enhanced police and fire services.

Voted to keep Oxnard on the path to becoming a more modern, successful city with a dynamic economy.

Voted for essential programs for our youth and seniors.

Voted to bring our recycling center under city control, insuring accountability to residents, saving millions of dollars.

Voted to invest \$30 million dollars for Oxnard's streets.

Been responsive to Oxnard residents and businesses and I pledge to continue to be responsive to the residents of District 2 for all of Oxnard's needs.

I have never missed a council meeting in my term.

Worked to keep Oxnard free of toxic and polluting industries.

Sought solutions to regional problems.

I would appreciate your vote. Thank you!

For more information please visit www.carmen4oxnard.com

Or contact me at Carmen4oxnard@gmail.com

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Name: Aaron Starr

Age: (Leave Blank)

Occupation: Oxnard Businessman/Accountant

My wife and I are proud to call Oxnard home. I've been a union member and a businessman. I worked my way through California State University Northridge, earning a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and Finance before going on to earn my CPA license.

I'm not a politician; I've never held elected office. I'm a concerned citizen trying to make Oxnard a better place to live and work. If you elect me as your mayor, I will:

Use my business and CPA experience to help Oxnard's small businesses create more jobs.

Fix Oxnard's crumbling roads and sidewalks.

Ensure our police have the resources they need to protect Oxnard families from street gangs – it is unacceptable that Oxnard crime has increased 52% since 2011.

I'm a community activist with a proven record of fighting for Oxnard residents. In 2016, I launched a ballot measure approved by 72% of Oxnard voters to overturn the City Council's 87% sewer rate increase. Oxnard City Hall sued to take away your vote; I defended voters' rights in court – and won.

I'll always be accessible to you: call me at 805-919-8573 or email starr@starrforoxnard.com.

I would be honored if you vote for Aaron Starr for Mayor.

www.starrforoxnard.com

LAWRENCE PAUL STEIN

INSURANCE PREMIUM AUDITOR

Senior Citizen
BBA Ohio University
Resident of Oxnard since 1982
Owner of an Accounting & Tax Preparation Service
Married to Ann Marie since 1985, Father to Ernest Stein

As your elected Councilmember I will:

Promote other council members ability to place items on future agendas.

Promote Citizen Action Groups reports to be agenized items.

Promote a more pro-active approach instead of a reactive approach to social issues through expanded programs for after school activities, drug counseling and domestic violence. This will reduce the over 300 daily calls for service handled by public safety.

Promote Local Labor for Local jobs; too much payroll on construction jobs leaves the area.

Insist on timely Monthly Income Statements and Balance sheets for the General Fund, and each Enterprise Fund.

Report the net results of votes taken in Closed Session.

Identify funding to finish the ball field and aquatic center at College Park.

Promote long term funding for park infrastructure as an annual budget item

Vote for a visionary.

Vote for an open and transparent government.

Vote for a leader.

ELECT LAWRENCE PAUL STEIN: Insurance Premium Auditor
for 5th district councilmember.

VISIT Oxnard-For-Larry-Stein.com

(ELIZABETH WHITE)

This election is crucial for Oxnard. Our potential has remained unnoticed for too long. My commitment to improving South Oxnard is unwavering. I am enthusiastic about our families. It is essential for our children that we provide safe neighborhoods and safe schools.

I have lived in Oxnard my entire life, and I'm involved in our community. I serve as the chairperson of the Cypress Neighborhood Council, Member of the Downtown Design Review Committee, and CEO of a local non-profit. I have served on the Oxnard Inter-Neighborhood Council Forum (INCF) Executive Committee, the Chamber Advocacy Committee and as Student Trustee for Ventura County College Board.

I graduated from Oxnard College with a focus on Chemical Engineering and studied Environmental Science and Biostatistics at UC Berkeley. I have worked for Oxnard Downtown and Business Development.

I will work to put Oxnard on a trajectory that encourages innovation, technology and growth in jobs for our community. I will work toward a fiscally responsible city that can fund community services, police and fire protection, road improvements and parks.

I ask for your vote. With your support, we can improve our area of South Oxnard and make the entire city a better place to live.