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Candidate Statement / East Palo Alto City Council November 5, 2024:

“This is Our Community. We live, work, and worship here.

Currently, outside profiteers are making it more difficult for us to remain here. The incumbent City Council wants to cruelly increase property taxes, subsidizing for-profit developers.

I have lived in East Palo Alto for over 50 years, raising a family here. I want our families to be able to stay here without being forced out of our homes by property taxes or development. I want safety and peace for all families, all people in our community.

I am not against development. Our City needs tax revenue from new development to provide essential services.

However, we don't need to sacrifice our homes to provide a profits for developers.

Our culturally diverse community includes Ohlone history, plus our African, Meso-American, Asian, and European heritage - and our many churches. We are truly blessed.

We can share great abundance without destroying what we have already earned and achieved.

This can only work if it's something that our community does together. Should you choose me to represent our remarkable community, I pledge to work to protect those who live, work, and worship here.

Thank you.

In Unity,

Dennis C. Scherzer”