

My name is Mark Dinan and I am a candidate for East Palo Alto's City Council. I am currently the chair of the Public Works Commission. I have a BA in History from Marquette University and have owned a small business since 2009. I am fluent in Spanish and lived in Guadalajara after college. My wife is Peruvian, and we have loved EPA since we moved here in 2009. We speak both Spanish and English at home with our son, who is a freshman in high school.

I want to live in a city that has affordable housing, great parks that are safe and full of activity, a new library, clean water for all residents, safe streets, development which brings needed businesses like grocery stores, movie theaters, and pharmacies to town, effective animal services, responsible utilities, convenient parking, and a transparent government that is accountable to all residents. I want to live in a place where we do not have to worry about the City Council passing toxic measures like OPA, which would have hurt homeowners and renters alike.

I appreciate your vote in November and look forward to making EPA an even better place to live.