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Meeting attended: Election Watch 2020 – Chamber of Commerce City Council Candidate Forum

Date of meeting: September 9, 2020

Location: Virtual - GoToWebinar

SCV Water Board meeting to be presented at: September 15, 2020

On September 9, 2020 I attended The SCV Chamber of Commerce Election Watch 2020 City Council Virtual Candidate Forum.

Points of Interest:

1. The candidates participating were Chris Werthe, Cameron Smyth, Jason Gibbs, Selena Thomas, Kelvin Driscoll, and TimBen Boydston.
2. Each candidate was given an opportunity to make a brief opening statement.
3. Each candidate stated their occupation, experience and issues they believe are important to the City.
4. There were 6 rounds of questions for the candidates as follows:  
What are your top 3 business priorities for the City?  
What is your position on businesses opening safely during the COVID 19 pandemic?  
What is your position on the City adding a public health department?  
What is your position on Prop 15, the split role proposition?  
What is your position on AB5 / Prop 22, the gig employment & exceptions?  
Do you believe that the City's efforts to protect businesses during the BLM protests were appropriate?
5. Each candidate was then given an opportunity to make a closing remark.

There was a lot of commonality amongst the candidates on issues of importance, however, as you might expect, the candidates did not always agree or take the same side on the issues. I found the forum to be informative and the candidates to be serious and articulate.

I appreciate the Chamber's effort to put on this event and I appreciate being able to attend.