**Time for a New Escondido**

The loss of public control over our public library is a tragedy and a debacle for our community. It’s obvious this Mayor and Council do not listen to the residents. We need a change. We need elected leaders with vision who will build a community of inclusion and opportunity. **November, 2018 will be a chance for new leadership.**

**It’s Our Time**

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| Escondido 2018 Vision | Record of current city leaders |
| Public Control of our Public Library  We need a Library District to remove the library from city politics, comply with the law to bring it under control of dedicated library trustees, and re-open an East Valley branch library, improve public services such as more open hours for our public pool. | **Decimated our Libraries**  Closed a critical branch library and outsourced main library, caused loss of dedicated, quality staff, greatly reduced our public pool and other programs that helped families, youth, and seniors. |
| Money Out of Local Politics  We must reduce the power of the ultra-wealthy in our local politics by reducing the amount that can be donated to campaigns to below $500, lower limits make elections more fair so candidates are less able to rely on donations from developers, corporations. | **Too Much Developer Influence**  Set very high campaign limits to $4,100 which is 300-750% higher (District-Mayor) than City of San Diego and 500% higher than SD County; Take significant campaign funding from developers with projects in front of the council. |
| Cleaner Energy, Climate Action  We should join with other North County cities to evaluate community energy options that can lower costs and result in cleaner energy and fewer climate altering emissions; adopt an effective new Climate Action Plan | **Rejected Clean Energy Efforts**  Refused to partner with other North County cities on clean energy program, instead spent money on fish, failing golf courses; weakest Climate Action Plan in County. |
| Better Budget Oversight  We need a Citizen Budget Oversight committee to meet throughout the year to advise the Mayor and Council on the budget and to make recommendations on expenditures such as in San Marcos. We have a right to know how our tax-dollars are spent. | **Wasted Tax Dollars**  Over $1 million of tax-payer dollars filing or settling lawsuits due to bad decision making; tried to ‘hide’ significant actions in a secretive budget process, have flatly denied requests to make the budget process more transparent to the public. Outsourced library to ‘save money’, but gave themselves raises. |
| Fair Representation  We want a city where all people are welcomed and encouraged to engaged with government, we need members of advisory boards and commissions that reflect a diversity of views and life experiences, we need all residents to be valued and respected. | **Dismissive and Combative to Public**  Public members are frequently verbally chastised at meetings; members of Board and Commissions do not represent the range of residents who live here; certain populations within our community are unfairly targeted. |

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**YES, I’m In.** I pledge to support candidates who endorse our vision for Escondido 2018 to restore public control of our public library, get money out of local politics, support cleaner energy & climate action, provide better budget oversight, and ensure fair representation in Escondido.

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