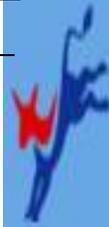


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Statements by Davis City Council Candidates.

Ed. Note Davis is fortunate to have many qualified citizens, who are willing to serve on our City Council. To introduce the candidates and assist you in making your decisions, the Newsletter invites all Democrats in this race to submit campaign statements. The following three have accepted our invitation to publish in this edition .



Gloria Partida: I am running because I realize we need to steward and nurture the things we love about our town. I am committed to ***bringing out the best in Davis.***

People come to Davis for many reasons; we stay for the community. I came to Davis in 1989 with my three young children as a single mother determined to make a better life for us. Davis gave me that opportunity. Immediately upon arriving, I threw myself into the work of advocating for mainstream education for my youngest son with cerebral palsy.

This experience solidified my resolution to make a difference and give back to the community. I have acquired a background that make me a strong candidate for our City Council.

- **Passion for Equity.** I co-founded the Davis Phoenix Coalition 5 years ago in response to my son being the target of a hate crime. As co-chair, I coordinate projects with the police, city, school district and community organizations to build communication and understanding.
- **Small Business Owner.** As a response to the challenges faced by people with disabilities to find employment I started a mobile food booth, in partnership with community members with disabilities. It has enlightened me to the challenges faced by small business owners.
- **Critical Thinker.** As a staff research scientist in Neurobiology at UCD, I work to find answers to unknown processes and decide what evidence has been most thoroughly undertaken to inform a direction to proceed. I enjoy thoughtfully and objectively finding solutions.
- **Community Volunteer.** Over my almost 30 yrs. in Davis, I have served in leadership and volunteer roles on a variety of community organizations: PTAs, School Site Councils, Climate Committees, The boards of Summer House and Purple Tree Café, The City of Davis Human Relations Commission, STEAC, St. James faith formation.

These experiences make me uniquely qualified to tackle our current challenges of keeping Davis the right size for our lifestyle, maintaining vibrant economic development, compassionately addressing homelessness, listening to and representing all members of our community as well as adapting to the challenges ahead.



Linda Deos: I have spent my whole personal and professional life fighting for Democratic values – for the people victimized by unfair labor practices and for consumer protection. I've fought against environmental degradation and financial exploitation. I know about laws and how government functions. I know that corporations can be brought to the table to reach agreement beneficial to all involved. Most importantly, I know how to listen.

There are major issues facing Davis:

- adequate/affordable housing for families, students, and seniors;
- crumbling roads, bike paths, and sidewalks;

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Calendar of Events & Campaign Activities

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Tues., Jan. 2, 7:00-9:00 pm., DDC Board Meeting, Blanchard Room, Davis Library. Regularly scheduled Board Meetings to organize Club activities. All members invited to attend.

Sun., Jan. 13, 2:00-4:30 pm "A Teach -in" Controlling the Use of Nuclear Weapons (HR 669) Among other distinguished panelists, Rep. Garamendi will participate. Unitarian Church, Davis.

Sun., Feb 11, 6:00-8:00 pm. Love Your Electeds. I-House, Davis. Annual event to honor local elected leaders featuring a buffet dinner (share your favorite dish) and informal conversations with elected officials.

Holiday Party



The annual Holiday Party was attended by about seventy including Assembly-member Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, County Supervisor Don Saylor, DJUS trustee Barbara Archer and four candidates for the Davis

City Council (see pages 1 and 5), all of whom presented brief remarks. The event included an ample buffet dinner and under DDC Pres. Steve Souza's genial leadership, the guest enjoyed good company in a relaxing atmosphere. While some attention was given to the unsettling political events in our nation's capital, this just reinforced everyone's intention to remain engaged. In fact, proceeds for this event will help the Democratic Party during the 2018 election campaign.

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“... the President may not use the Armed Forces of the United States to conduct a first-use nuclear strike unless such strike is conducted pursuant to a declaration of war by Congress that expressly authorizes such strike...”

HR 669, introduced January 24, 2017, 73 co-sponsors

**“Restricting First Use:
A Teach-in on US Nuclear Weapons Policy
and HR 669 (Lieu/Garamendi)”**

**WHEN: SATURDAY JANUARY 13, 2018
(MARTIN LUTHER KING WEEK-END)
2 PM TO 4:30 PM**

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UNIVERSALIST CHURCH, DAVIS
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**A STEP FROM NUCLEAR FREE DAVIS TO A NUCLEAR FREE WORLD:
A CONGRESSIONAL PROPOSAL TO RESTRICT FIRST USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS
By Stephen Souza, President of the Davis Democratic Club and Bill Julian**

Today the Nobel Peace Prize is being awarded to the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), “for its work to draw attention to the catastrophic humanitarian consequences of any use of nuclear weapons and for its ground-breaking efforts to achieve a treaty-based prohibition of such weapons.” ICAN’s work has included The Humanitarian Pledge and the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, adopted by 122 member nations of the UN on July 7, 2017, although significantly not by the US or the other nuclear weapons states as of yet.

In making the award to ICAN the Nobel Committee recognizes that “We live in a world where the risk of nuclear weapons being used is greater than it has been for a long time.” Recent events bear this out. The US President and North Korea have traded harsh rhetoric as North Korea engages in risky testing programs intended to create a new nuclear weapons capability. The US has undertaken a \$1.4 trillion nuclear modernization program that dwarfs all other global nuclear weapons spending combined, at the same time that it proposes to add that sum to the national debt.

The urgency of addressing the nuclear weapons issue has become clear to all of us. We need to take concrete steps to reduce the danger that nuclear weapons will be used, and to reduce and ultimately eliminate nuclear weapons arsenals. ICAN’s receipt of the Nobel is an important recognition by the international community of this necessity. The US is the world’s leading nuclear power, is the only nation that has used nuclear weapons without warning, and thus has a special responsibility to lead.

The journey toward a world free of nuclear weapons starts with a first step and the US can take that step by acting on a legislative proposal now pending in the Congress. HR 669, sponsored by Congressman Ted Lieu and our own Congressman John Garamendi restricts the first use of nuclear weapons by requiring a Congressional Declaration of War and a specific authorization to use nuclear weapons. It does not restrict nuclear retaliation by the President. It currently has 73 co-sponsors in the US House, including 19 California Democrats; there are 13 co-sponsors to the companion measure in the US Senate including Senator Feinstein. The current Congressional leadership will not take up this measure, although the Senate did conduct the first hearing in over 40 years on US nuclear weapons policy last month.

HR 669 recognizes that nuclear weapons are unique in their ability to kill combatants and civilians indiscriminately on gargantuan scale; and unique in their long-term damage to survivors and to the environment. Because of their unique long-term and widespread effects their use is itself an act of war, not a choice of one or the other military weapon. Under the US Constitution it is the Congress that declares war and provides for the common defense. The President is commander-in-chief of the armed forces. The historical circumstance that the atom bomb was secretly developed and used initially during a declared war has led to the current approach that the President may unilaterally make the decision to use nuclear weapons under his control. The US has not formally disclaimed a policy of using nuclear weapons first in a conflict, whether or not war has been declared. We have been witnessing the results of that decision-making ambiguity recently: wide-spread speculation that the President may issue the ultimate, supremely dangerous order to use and be countermanded, *or not*, by military personnel operating on their subjective, non-public notions of whether or not that order is legal.

By clarifying that Congress must both declare war and specifically authorize the first use of nuclear weapons, HR 669 re-establishes the constitutional balance in war-making decisions and provides an open and transparent public forum for debating and deciding on first use. HR 669 does not ban nuclear weapons. It does not affect the ability of the US President to use nuclear weapons to retaliate against another’s use of nuclear weapons against the US or its allies.

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- downtown economic development;
- and the need for fiscal responsibility.

Solutions to these issues will require consensus and transparency of process. My ability to bring disparate and seemingly irreconcilable perspectives together to forge a common vision will be essential to finding the best path forward for Davis. Although we may feel helpless in our ability to make change nationally, we do have the power to make decisions locally that benefit everyone. I will continue to fight for the values we hold dear and ensure that the public good is paramount in city council decisions.

My service on the Davis Personnel Board, the Yolo County Health Commission, as Treasurer of the Yolo County Progressives, as a founding member of the Berniecrat-Labor Alliance, and as a Davis Democratic Club board member has shown me the depth of concern and the love we all share for our community. Positive change happens when we bring fresh ideas to the table by an independent and open-minded voice. I am that voice.



Dan Carson: Working for a Sustainable Davis

Davis is not an amazing place by accident. We are passionate, dedicated, smart people, committed to sustainability, education, innovative solutions, and shared values. I see three priority areas:

- It's vital we address an \$8 million annual funding gap faced by the city and develop a more stable economic base. We can't maintain and improve the stuff we all love about Davis -- our parks, bike paths and greenbelts -- unless we take responsible, innovative, and thoughtful actions.
- We need an inclusive and thoughtful engagement as we plan for the next wave of UC Davis growth and concerns like student housing. We need a process in which everyone is heard, concerns are understood, and the dialogue is focused on developing a healthy long-term town-gown partnership.
- Third, like nearly every community in California, we're grappling with sustainability amid growing pressures: homelessness, a shortage of affordable housing, and climate change. Our Council's task is to ensure that the burdens are shared appropriately between taxpayer support and volunteer efforts — and that we're getting the job done.

I'm a 30-year Davis resident who spent 17 years at the Legislative Analyst's Office providing independent and nonpartisan advice to the Legislature on fiscal and policy matters. This career gave me the perfect mix of skills and experience to help our City design a stable long-term budget, address the challenges of the UCD expansion, and plan for a complex and uncertain future. Please help elect me to the Davis City Council so that we can work together for a sustainable Davis. Go to Carson4Council.com to learn more about me and to contribute and volunteer for our campaign.

In His Own Words



"I think not having the estate tax recognizes the people that are investing, as opposed to those that are just spending every darn penny they have, whether it's on booze or women or movies." Sen. Charles Grassley (R. Iowa)

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What it does do is to create time for other approaches to conflict resolution, both diplomatic/non-military and conventional military. It is an important first step.

For us this has been a life-long concern. When Stephen first came to Davis in the early 1980's, he joined with other activists to persuade the Davis City Council to adopt a Resolution Declaring Davis to be a "Nuclear Free Zone," finding that "the escalating proliferation of nuclear weapons is a grave threat to the health and safety of the citizens of this community, to the survival of the human species, and to the continuation of life on this planet, ... if the people lead, in time the leaders will surely follow...."

The Davis Democratic Club is trying to do its part now by co-hosting a teach-in for the community on HR 669 and nuclear weapons on Martin Luther King Week-end. The event will be January 13, 2018 at the Unitarian Universalist Church on Patwin Road, starting at 2 pm. We are bringing in experts on nuclear weapons policy and status; on the constitutional dimensions of removing the President's sole unilateral authority to make the nuclear weapons use decision; and on the political and budgetary dimensions of the US nuclear weapons program. We will be publishing background and contextual material on our website. Congressman Garamendi has been a leader on this issue and we are happy to follow his lead.

The Congressional initiative, the UN Treaty banning nuclear weapons, the award of the Nobel to ICAN, the recent statements of Pope Francis condemning both the threat of use of nuclear weapons "... as well as their very possession..." gives us confidence that we can make this journey in very good company. Join us on January 13 and on the road to a future without nuclear arms.

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The Board has put forth a slate of nominees for Club offices: Stephen Souza, President; Rick Gonzales, Vice President; Ameer Alsawaf, Treasurer; Elly Fairclough, Membership; Richard Yamagata, Recording Secretary; Giles Giovanazzi, Corresponding Secretary, and Elizabeth Oramas-Diaz, Publicity. Election of officers will take place at the General Meeting on March 6, 2018. At this meeting, all members whose dues are current as of the start of the meeting may nominate additional candidates from the floor and vote for all offices.

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