## **QUESTIONNAIRE**

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- 1. Motivation -- Why did you choose to run for City office? I felt that there should be at least one candidate that is not linked to the present political group within Mayor Jean Quans administration, I believe that I am more qualified than anyone running because I have world class experience and I have the type of leadership that most of them donot In addition I feel that since I came from the type of life that is prevalent in Oakland I understand whats going on in the community, I have been on the front lines for fifty years longer that most of these have been in the world I believe that I have not only the leadership ability and experience but also the insight to feel what people not only demand from a leader but also the heart and wisdom to make changes.
- 2. Program and Priorities -- Elected office provides the opportunity to proactively lead by placing new ideas on the agenda for consideration and development. What are some specific ideas you intend to pursue if elected? What do you believe are the main priorities for the City? It is important that good planning be the first element to come into play, Patience in evauluating every step that is necessary to ensure that all bases are covered, Communication to make people feel that they should be confortable during the change of command, Next It is essential that explicit ground rules be established and communicated in a non threatening manner, The next stage would be patient planning to establish a team that will help make the changes smooth. The main priorities would be the to take the budget apart piece by piece, the task of evauluating each department with its managers would be next focusing on performance and the department itself. The transfer of power should also yield the total performance and problems of the city itself, I would look at the largest and most problematic departments, Then the task of tackeling O.P.P and the what I see in a great shortfall that is pending, Analyze the not completed list with department heads, main objective is to turn the city around with new ideas and with everyone involved including day to day employees.
- 3. Qualifications -- Please give a brief summary of your background and qualifications for the office of City. If you are a current City Government elected official, what issues can you point to in your time as an elected official that have had a positive impact? Not a current city official, @0 years as a U.S.Navy man trained in the art of moving leading and motivating people for top performance, Chief petty officer, Trained across the world in writing managing contracts from maintenance and administration the overhaul of main propulsion machinery,

Weapons and weapons launching systems the care and repair of systems associated with ship and submarine construction, Noted Graduated from Military police supervisor for world wide duty which took into consideration counter terrorism and the duty of ensuring order on military bases, five years of duty in recruiting and the management of a satellite recruiting station, Countless of blueprint and engineering planning over three departments which ensured the ships condition of readiness to servive in the event of an attack, Chief engineer of the U.S.Navy tug boat fleet<7> tugs at Treasure Island S.F. Cal, The transfer of weapons from the Concord weapons Naval facility to the open seas, Small business from 1994 to 2004 Executive management and training consultants, Ship overhaul and support of people all over the world working on power machinery, and facility management.

- 4. Local groups -- Are you affiliated with any of the active Oakland groups? Such as TOLA, Make Oakland Better Now, Block by Block, Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club, GO Public Schools, OCO, or any other. Describe your involvment and why you feel this group is worthy of your support, Masonic Lodge,
- 5. Local activities -- Other than local politics, are you involved in any other Oakland based community activities that you would like to share with us? This can range from volunteering in your school to being in your church baseball league. Have been supporting Mother Wrights community support group off and on for twenty years
- 6. Budget -- If you were on council for the next budget in 2015 how would you act differently from the council members dealing with the budget in 2013? What do you think is the cause of the current budget crisis? The current budget crisis was and is caused by poor management and the in ability of the city to put together a group of professionals that could get things done and not think of their own pockets, Corruption is out of control in Oakland itself, Poor choices and just to much fighting, lay down the law and control the people that are making these decisions, Expose all of them, I am very angry that they think of them selves and not the public, We need a new group.
- 7. Youth -- Describe the condition of youth in Oakland? What would your priorities for youth be for Oakland government and how would they get implemented and paid for? This is a very sad place for youth to be in Oakland, Night basket ball and a program that will get them off the streets doing side show, Let the do it in the areas where they can blow off steam without killing someone, I would charge \$5.00 admission, and find some parents that would volunteer for midnight basket ball tournements all over the city, Make it city wide with a \$1000,00 prize to three winners, do it by divisions, \$1.00 admission every one has that.
- 8. Police -- How do you think our community policing is going and what are the next steps? Describe the current relationship between the residents and the Oakland Police. Do you suggest any changes? Do you support Restorative Justice programs and how should the city be involved, if at all. The city does not have the right people with the proper knowledge to understand the problems of O.P.D, Officers are really tired and some of them need professional mental help, In order to change things you have to have people who are not fatigued and disgusted to the point where they really do not want to come to work, Attitude and fatigue is most of the problem The leadership top is the other main problem, No positive

communication, The people who want to be elected do not bring into play any thing positive and every one knows it, so retire, Policing is in the big hole. I call the combat fatigue hole, and there serious questions when it comes to the stability of the department as a hole,

- 9. Development Projects -- What are your thoughts and views about the West Oakland Army Base, The upper Broadway-Valdez Triangle, Oak to 9th and other projects? Projects should be considered with caution, the Oakland Army base comes under the jurisdiction of the port and not the city, Oak to 9th should be developed I would like to see the entire down town rezoned and the buildings that convertible to apartlets and living areas be converted, I would like to see the entire down town with all the shops opened back up and the addition of support elements like super markets and the space for medical attention, a senior citizens living area, Low to middle income and a high income area, Five new garages in the area so people do not have to drive and a park like setting with shelters all over the place powered by solar panels for lighting, I would like to see a desalination plant solar driven to supply water for planting and washing, The upper Broadway Valdez Triangle I would think I would have to think about that one and research things more before giving an answer or opinion.
- 10. Police Misconduct. What are your thoughts and how do you feel Oakland should deal with it? How would they get the Oakland Police past the current oversight under Judge Henderson? I don't think Judge Henderson is fair I donot think that he understands that imagine that the drug business in Oakland is yealding60 million dollars per year and they need to get off this save the black boys and face reality that there is cop killer guns out there and we need federal help and not an over seer who is blind to reality, W need program money to keep all kids safe, The police is just as afraid as some of the residents because they know that the are out gunned and the bad eye is on them, The crime community is better organized that the city gov itself, Now look at what the situation is, Bad all around no one wants to die, not even the police, The city administration is just not with it.
- 11. Housing & Gentrification -- Increasing rents, dislocation, and gentrification have been in the news. What policies do you advocate to assure that Oakland tenants are protected and that Oakland remains an economically and racially diverse city? realistically progress breeds bad bed fellows gentrification and ignorance goes together the lack of education by the aires holding the properties of the parents and grandparents, Not educated and ignorant, some people are moving out of fear, How do you stop that, you cant, No law is going to stop anything, lets be real, you cant stop people from selling. rents are going to creep up because of the growing of the economy and the demand for housing,
- 12. Environment -- What do you think the Oakland City government should be doing about the environment? Oakland city government is just ignorant of so much, They are again worried about their own opinions and pockets, Look at the waste management contract, Its just stupidity and no insightis going to get out of control, The controlling of hazerdious and contaminated waste is going to spill onto the streets People are going to turn Oaklands streets into a garbage dump because the rates are going to shoot up The contract is bad because 20% of all contracts are soft money then comes into the override figure which is anywhere from 6%to 20%, look at the Bay Bridge and all the other projects around Oakland, to answer NOTHING.

- 13. Satisfaction of Residents -- How do you think the average resident feels about city government? How would you rate the satisfaction level? Yell it out The city government stinks and the people coming behind them are of the same breed They are from the small group that is trying to stay in control,
- 14. Accountability -- How do you propose making yourself accountable and accessible to the citizens of Oakland? Honesty, dignity and respect Create a staff that is the servant of the people and that's a hard one., No lies games of secret agendas,
- 15. Do we need an Oakland Progressive Alliance akin to the one in Richmond, and if so, who should be members? NO
- 16. Governance -- What kind of relationship could you have with other office holders? Who do you see as a working majority on council and who can you work with? I work for the city of San Francisco I get along with everyone, The working majority is really a minority.
- 17. Endorsements -- Who has endorsed you so far? Who do you expect to endorse you? Who do you endorse in the other City races? Include your #2 and 3 choices for your own race and note that this year the City races are Mayor, Council seats, School Board seats and City Auditor. Local 39 I.O.U.E, The Mayor of San Pablo
- 18. Campaign Funding -- How much money do you currently have for this race? How much money do you plan to raise? Where will the money come from? Describe sources of financial contributions for your campaign that you would refuse to accept (if any). 20.000 if contributions come I accept them I have put most of the money into my campaign,
- 19. Checks and balances -- How do you view current the relationship between the Council and Mayor? Any comments on the same question for the Auditor and City Attorney? Are there any changes they would propose to the city charter? Volatile, The city auditor is caught in the middle She needs more life experience, I think that bean counters make horrible leaders especially when they do not have the right chemistry of born leaders with the soul and heart to lead, numbers are not everything.
- 20. Money in elections. -- Does Oakland need campaign finance reform? If so, what kind? yes
- 21. Anything Else? -- Is there anything else you would like us to know about you? I am determined to lead and be for the people not against the people, I am not doing this to get rich

Yes or No questions (follow with an explanation if you want to add one)

-- Do you support the renewal of Measure Y? yes

Do you support the minimum wage proposal? yes

Are you in favor of a police commission?

-- Do you support Dan Kalb's proposal on oversight and transparency? no I would have to get into office and see just how bad things are, Cant look in from the outside

## Review Board?

- -- Would you vote for using eminent domain to abate foreclosure crisis? NO
- Do you support Ranked Choice Voting? NO
- Would you support Proportional Representation? NO
- Do you support diverting people from prosecution if they participate in a restorative justice program? YES
- Do you support Community Choice Aggregation? YES

Would you vote to allow more grey water systems? YES