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1. Joe Orlando Ramos has been a resident of Hayward since May of 1987 when the U.S. Marine Corps brought Ramos here from Southern California. Ramos was the Logistics Chief and the Maintenance Management Officer (MMO) for the 4th LAAM BN Detachment Alpha., Hayward, CA before being deployed to Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, Arizona for deployment to Desert Storm. (Ramos is originally from Chicago, IL).

Joe spent the earlier part of his adult life as a U.S. Marine (1977-1991). He joined the US Marine Corps Reserves after active duty in 1991. Ramos left the U.S. Marine Corps in June of 1995, as a Gunnery Sergeant (E-7). Joe was awarded several medals and three Honorable Discharges. After active duty Ramos spent several years teaching middle school and working for several East Bay School Districts first as a middle school teacher in a special education class room, later he taught English and social studies in middle school and Spanish and word processing in high school.

Joe worked as an intern in college to a state senator in Illinois in his junior year at Northern Illinois University. After leaving active duty, and attending graduate school at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Ramos worked as a graduate intern with the city of Milwaukee in two departments, the City of Milwaukee's Department of City Development (Historic Preservation Section & the Department of Public Health).

Joe Ramos's passion is social justice Ramos has worked for several youth agencies from the Boys Scouts of America, Boys & Girls Clubs of San Francisco, to the San Francisco Juvenile Probation Dept., as a Project Coordinator of the Gang Free Communities Project.

Ramos continues to be a volunteer with the Alameda County Probation Department. Joe Ramos speaks to young people in juvenile halls, churches, schools, and with adult inmates in Santa Rita Jail, and the Glenn E. Dyer jail in Oakland.

Ramos, holds a undergraduate degree in Political Science, His second MS degree is in Urban Studies earned from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee received in August 2000. Ramos has studied the inner city both academically, and in the streets of Chicago, Milwaukee, and San Francisco. Ramos' third and fourth masters degrees are an MA in Adult Education, and an MA in English: Composition. His first Masters degree was in Education: Emphasis Special Education obtained in 1990, while on active duty in the USMC.

2. N/A

3. I believe that housing, and rent-control are the main issues that concern Hayward residents.

4. None at the moment, it is early but I am not looking to be bought, but the truth will prevail.

5. I have chosen to run because we need new leadership, with new vision. I have that vision, and the leadership skills that are sorely lacking on the city council. "Where there is no vision, the people perish."

6. I agree with transparency, and I have a very limited amount of funds at the moment less than \$1000. Money may come in, or it may not. But, I am confident that I will come on top. In the school board election, I spent less than \$100.00 and I drew about 5,000-6,000 votes. Not bad, for a small amount of money. Much can be accomplished with a good crew, strategy, and some help from God!

7. Yes, I support bicycle patrols in various Hayward Neighborhoods!

8. YES!

9. Possibly

10. I am open to suggestions.

11. Still in the planing stages.

12. I will have to study this... (possibly)

13. Need to learn more about this.

14. I will work with anyone to end the loop. If Peixoto is still on the board, I will work with him.

15. Yes, on spending the \$3,000 to possibly save the old library.

16. I will have to know more, i am open to listen.

17. Possibly, yes!

18. Yes, especially early public involvement in the discussion of the city application for funds from the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program.

19. I am not a career politician. I am not a politician! I am definitely not a puppet, like many on the city council now. I am not beholden to anyone. I am a free thinker, and I am open to the will of the people, not to the establishment. I will do my best to support the interests of the people of Hayward.

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