

## **March 12 UCPG Election – Candidate Statements**

### **UCPG Residential Seat 2C Candidate Statement by Darren Esposito**

My name is Daren Esposito, and I am running to be one of the representatives for Residential District 2 for the seat to be vacated by Isabelle Kay. I have lived in UTC since 2021 and plan to stay in the area long-term. Some of the things that I love about District 2 are the friendly neighbors, open spaces, dog parks, and easy access to major roads and shopping centers.

I am a lawyer with over 20 years of experience with an interest in community planning. I understand the issues at stake, and I care about the community and its future plans. I have a collaborative approach focused on gathering stakeholder inputs to mitigate risk and drive solutions. I am willing to invest my time and energy in this planning group, and I would be honored to represent District 2. Thank you for your consideration.

### **UCPG Residential Seat 2C Candidate Statement by Tim Garrett**

My name is Tim Garrett, and I am running for the UCPG Resident-2C seat. I would like to support good projects and make the community safer, more sustainable, and more accessible. For me, that means making it easier, more convenient, and more dignified to use public space and get around without needing a car or in fear of getting hit by one. While I mostly walk and ride transit to travel around, I would love to bike more often if there were safer routes. UC offers just as much or better access to jobs, education, recreation, and transportation as any other place in the region. I believe that advantage will only increase as we welcome more neighbors, and I look forward to shaping growth to maximize opportunities for people to live close to their daily destinations and enjoy high-quality, well-maintained services. Thank you, and I hope to have your vote.

## **UCPG Residential Seat 2B Candidate Statement for Joann Selleck**

My name is Joann Selleck, and I am running for re-election as the incumbent R2 candidate. I have served for the past 6 years on the UCPG board and wish to continue to do so for the balance of the period for which I am eligible under our Bylaws.

I have learned an enormous amount during my tenure on the board about the planning and development process and how this particular community functions – including the interests, concerns and goals of its residents and of the businesses located here. I do not take the responsibility of this position lightly – it requires hard work, a significant time commitment, patience, the ability to listen, a willingness to be open-minded, and even calls on analytical skills!! Even through sometimes difficult conversations and passionate opposing views, I have enjoyed working with my impressive colleagues as well as numerous others in the community who have contributed so much to making the University community what it is today as well as to helping to shape its direction for the future. Democracy is, indeed, messy!

In terms of who I am, I have resided in North UC since 1989 as both a tenant and subsequently as a homeowner. I am an attorney and after many decades as a litigator I began working as a civil mediator about 8 years ago. In addition to my private mediation practice, I am also employed as a mediator by the Ca. Civil Rights Dept., mediating employment and housing discrimination cases. I am on the board of the non-profit, Torrey Pines Conservancy (preserving and protecting the State Reserve) and involved in a variety of volunteer activities.

Thank you for the opportunity to continue to be of service to this community.