



Office of the City Clerk

CANDIDATE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

General Municipal Election: November 3, 2026

Jurisdiction:	CITY OF SAN DIEGO
Office Sought:	City Councilmember, District # 6
Candidate's Name:	MARK POWELL
Occupation:	BUSINESS OWNER/EDUCATOR
The occupation does not have to match the occupation on the ballot, can have more than four words.	

Must conform to the regulations in the City Clerk Administrative Guidelines. 200-word count starts here:

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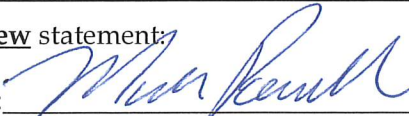
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Please sign
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☐ I **do not** wish to have a statement printed in the voter information pamphlet:

Candidate's Signature: _____ Date: _____

☒ I **do** wish to file a **new** statement:

Candidate's Signature:  Date: 07/27/2026

☐ I wish to **keep the same** statement from the Municipal Primary Election:

Candidate's Signature: _____ Date: _____

As a first-generation American whose family came to San Diego as refugees, I understand hard work and sacrifice. Today, the city I love has become unaffordable for hardworking San Diegans and I want to help turn that around.

I'm running because we need a representative who will listen to our community, fight for our priorities, and fix what's broken. Our tax dollars should fund core services: repair roads, keep public restrooms open, protect neighborhoods, enforce public encampment laws, and preserve libraries and park/rec centers for families and seniors. Other priorities include:

- Oppose new taxes and fees.
- Prioritize fixing roads and sidewalks.
- Protect neighborhoods from negative ADU impacts.
- Preserve street parking for residents and local businesses.
- Remove dead trees from canyons to reduce fire risk.
- Expand opportunities for affordable homeownership.
- Direct more funding for neighborhood services.

Background:

- Teacher, Vice Principal, Professor
- Former SDPD Reserve Officer
- Former elected County Board of Education member
- Built a successful real estate brokerage over 25 years

Endorsements:

- Mitz Lee: Mira Mesa Community Leader/Advocate, Former School Board member
- Bonnie Kutch: Founder UC Neighbors for Responsible Growth (UC PEEPS)
- Ruth DeSantis: University City Community Leader/Advocate
- Lorie Zapf: Two-term City Councilmember

Mark and his wife have two young adult daughters.

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