

Sustainable Transportation Questionnaire for Bay Area Candidates. 2024 General Election

If you are a candidate for local, state, or federal office, please fill out this questionnaire by **Sunday, October 6th, 2024, 11:59 pm.**

Candidate responses will be published by October 14th to help educate voters for the November 2024 Election. Once you submit the form, you will not be able to change your responses. If you would like a PDF version of the Questionnaire, please email info@transbaycoalition.org.

The groups cosponsoring this questionnaire are:

350 Bay Area, SPUR, Transform, Seamless Bay Area, Transbay Coalition, Bike East Bay, BikeSV, Center for Independent Living Hayward, Climate Resilient Communities, El Cerrito/Richmond Annex Walk & Roll, Friends of Caltrain, Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning, San Antonio Station Alliance, San Francisco Transit Riders, Santa Clara County For Transit, Sustainable Marin, Traffic Violence Rapid Response, Transportation and Land Use Coalition, Walkable Walnut Creek and East Bay Transit Riders Union.

Contact info@transbaycoalition.org with questions about the survey.

Which forms of transit and active transportation (bicycling, walking, scooters, wheelchair) do you use regularly, and for what types of trips-- and why?

Ellen: Walk, bus, and drive. When there is a lack of parking, I would take the bus. When it is easy to find parking, I would drive.

Would you support a ballot measure that would raise additional funding for Bay Area transit, and what form(s) of funding do you think makes sense?

What improvements from the transit agencies that serve your district do you think will lead to higher ridership and greater customer satisfaction?

Ellen: Yes and no, depends on how much money to do what. Our current cabal government no longer functions according to the U.S. Constitution. Learn more about:

When people need to ride, they will ride. Public safety and public health, cleanness will attract more riders. If riders can have parking near public transportation areas, they may be more willing to take public transportation.

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Ellen: Yes, my new mayoral team will conduct an honest survey with riders, and ask them how to improve services, so they can spread the word to people they know to use public transportation more. Riders can use clipper cards to ride all local and Bay Area transportation. Safety and cleanliness will increase the number of riders. But, we don't have a normal society now. Many riders don't pay fees. As the new Mayor, my new team will collaborate with the 27 agencies to get feedback from riders, and then modify services according to riders' feedback and suggestions. I've traveled to many big crowded cities, it is very easy to fix the transportation issue. Our puppet masters in many leadership positions are not working as public servants, but rather working to earn a paycheck to pay monthly bills.

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Transportation is the largest single source of carbon emissions in California and in the Bay Area. The largest share of transportation emissions comes from single-occupancy vehicles. If elected, what will you do in your district to help substantially reduce transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions via shifting trips from being done via car to being done via transit, biking, and walking?

Ellen: I was a Farmer before I immigrated to San Francisco. Many of the current "problems" are not natural according to human nature. Wait until I am in Office, as the new mayor, I will consult experts in this area. I will learn more between man-made issues the natural issues. God gave us natural things to enjoy while man-made on purpose to destroy. Many of the "issues" are not the facts, but rather than agenda of 2030, trying to destroy humanity, learn more:
<https://timetofreeamerica.com/>

Transit priority improvements like bus-only lanes, bus bulb-outs, and signal prioritization, are proven to make taking the bus faster and more reliable for riders--making the most affordable choice the best choice--while also reducing operating costs for transit agencies. But aside from in San Francisco, transit agencies don't have authority over what happens on local streets and roads--they need local and sometimes county approval. What is your view on how much power

cities should have to deny transit improvements on their streets that are requested by transit agencies?

Ellen: As an outsider and an immigrant from another country, many "issues" we see in SF-Bay Area streets are man-made, not necessarily a natural problem. Our daily traffic is a problem. If you survey drivers, you will know how frustrated many are with traffic. We have a group of sick and evil leaders in the government, deep state cabal leaders, they are not for the people, they are for Agenda 21, now Agenda 2030, their purpose is to destroy, and they will not be able to improve our social needs or any goodness of the transportation. Learn more:
<https://stopworldcontrol.com/>

As the new San Francisco Mayor in January 2025, my new team will collaborate with leaders, to assess leaders if they are willing to come back to common sense as public servants, meaning not to abuse their title, but to have public hearings with real riders and real drives with their cars, not the chosen "representatives". San Francisco is very easy to manage compared to many other bigger cities in the world.

What do you think are the most important actions that can be taken to make public transit comfortable and safe for all user communities?

E.g. more bus shelters & benches; lighting; community resource agents, armed police, etc.

Ellen: Public health issues: When there are no more unhoused people riding public transportation, the average riders will take public transportation more if they don't smell feces or urine. Many of the homeless, smear urine or poo or pee sitting inside the bus, ride day in and day out, leaving the bus unhealthy for healthy or clean riders. When the riders feel safe, they will choose not to drive but instead take public transportation. But the question for those in charge is, why push people to ride public transportation? Why not cut down expenses, and reduce size? Privatizing smaller cars or vans? No more robberies while riding public transportation. I've seen many big cities with alternative public and private transportation, not necessarily tax-funded services with a lack or result for good

business practices. As a new mayor, my team will do a re-assessment of the needs of riders vs the needs of those corrupted leaders.

In 2023, over 4,000 people were killed by car crashes in California – over 1,000 of whom were on foot, wheelchairs, or bikes when hit. If elected, what will you do to improve street safety, save lives, and reduce injuries in our community? Given that the most dangerous roads in many communities are controlled by Caltrans, what measures do you support to improve safety on Caltrans roadways?

Ellen: Have you ever heard about the word "accident"? No human can predict what is happening. Some of these incidents or accidents are related to drugs, alcohol, mental illness, or other substance use or abuse. We should do studies on these deaths. How did they die? Yes, there are always will be accidents happen. No one can prevent all incidents. As mayor, my team will have public hearings on this topic, to find out if there is a need to do something, such as a traffic light, or bigger warning signs for pedestrians. For suicide prevention, we need to collaborate with schools and community agencies. Most importantly, pray to God for protection. This nation was founded by God and Godly leaders. Our currency is printed "in God we trust". Only God can watch us 24/7/365.

How would you expand transit access and infrastructure to communities that are currently passed over or underserved by existing transit routes?

E.g. Through infill stations/stops and increased service coverage

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Ellen: As the new mayor, my team will look into complaints vs the reality of expansion. The bigger the government in control, the bigger the problems we, the society will be facing. My new team will focus on how to improve the service to better serve the public, but not necessarily to expand more government involvement We will do surveys and need assessment to respond to the public's needs. The People will tell us, the public servants what they need.

What do you think are the biggest access and mobility needs for disadvantaged populations in your district, especially people with disabilities, seniors, and people with low incomes, and how would you propose to solve them?

Ellen: I've lived and worked in San Francisco for more than 38 years. I've watched and witnessed how government leaders corrupted the public system for their career gain. Many of those who want to access programs can access them. But the cost for any of these programs is unbelievably high. To cut down costs to allow more people to use these services, the government does not need to own transportation to drop off and pick up any senior or any people with disabilities. It is more cost-effective to give out vouchers for them to use, to collaborate with local private companies or family members. As a new mayor, my team will re-create cost-effective programs to allow more flexible choices for users to access services. The government is not an agent to provide everything. The government only governs by consent of the people. But our current cabal deep state government has been out of control, with lots of government abuse and waste on purpose. As mayor, I will re-direct resources to help more people in need and cut down unrelated or unnecessary program operation costs.

In what circumstances do you support changing parking or repurposing vehicle travel lanes to create safer and more efficient bus, biking, and walking options? How do you propose resolving different road user needs?

Ellen: Public local needs vs organized by leaders who controlled the outcome to destroy San Francisco. For example, Valencia Street corridor, the bike lane killed many local businesses. Another example, many corner parking spaces were eliminated in Chinatown, which created a street parking shortage, and many of the businesses complained to me as I campaigned on the street. Many of the leaders are out of their minds and do not have a sound mind. They think what people need is good, but the feedback is NOT from those who are impacted. As a new mayor, I will my new team will always do public assessments with those who are impacted, not with those leaders who corrupted the funds. If there are no projects to do, then they don't have money in exchange, corruption!

What measures would you support, if any, to speed up delivery of street safety and public transportation projects?

Ellen: As a Republican new Mayor who worked as a public Family Social Worker for the San Francisco government for almost 20 years, I will do needs assessment to find out what needs to be done to respond to public issues. As a previous public servant, I witnessed day in/out how leaders cheated and lied to the public about public funds. As new mayor, I will lead and re-assess many of the programs, reduce funding from ineffective programs, and increase funding for those programs that can produce result. If any community has any public safety issue, they can report to appropriate dept. for assistance. My new team will create transparent websites for residents to reports on government services, abuse and waste. We need accountabilities for all public workers. We will follow the Bill of Rights to implement public services and give public options. I will bring back God's love, joy and trust back to the public. I will educate the public about their God given unalienable rights to live a happy and healthy life in San Francisco. Learn more: www.MayorEllen.com

Do you support Proposition L which provides ~\$20M to protect Muni service with a small tax on Lyft/Uber?

Ellen: No sure at this moment.

*Do you support Proposition K which Permanently Closes the Upper **Great Highway** to Private Vehicles to Establish a Public Open Recreation Space?*

Ellen: No

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