

QUESTIONS FOR PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICANTS

1. What is your vision for Cupertino over the next ten years?
2. What are your views on affordable housing?
3. Other than providing additional housing at a range of income levels, what do you consider the major planning/land use issues that the City and region need to address in the next decade?
4. Since there is no vacant land in Cupertino, most new development in the City will be “infill” – i.e., replace and densify existing uses. How do you think we should reconcile the concerns of residents near whom this type of development may occur?
5. What are some recent developments in the Bay Area that you like and why? Do you think they would fit in Cupertino? If not, why?
6. How do you view the role of the Planning Commission? If the Council sets a policy that you do not agree with, would you support it?
7. Please describe your understanding of the planning function in local government.
8. If you could accomplish one thing next year on this commission, what would it be?
9. What qualities do you possess that make you the right candidate for this commission?
10. What is more important in your consideration of a proposed project – your viewpoint or objectives, following the letter of the General Plan and existing City policy, or the needs of the greater community?
11. Please describe, as concisely as possible, your basic philosophical position regarding past, present and future growth within the City of Cupertino.
12. Being a Planning Commissioner involves a lot of reading, including plan reading. Describe your experience with plan reading and understanding.

The Planning Commission is subject to the Political Reform Act and members are required to submit Statements of Economic Interest upon appointment and annually thereafter.