

## Candidate for MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL, DISTRICT 4

I, **RUBÉN HERNÁNDEZ STORY**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



1. That my name is Rubén Hernández Story
2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council, District 4
3. That my residence is (*Contact City Clerk Department*)
4. The place of my birth is Rio Bravo, Mexico
5. My present occupation is Legislative Aide, City of Berkeley
6. I have held the following public offices: None
7. Record of community service: President, East Bay Young Democrats; Former President, Latine Young Democrats of the East Bay; Former Member, Richmond Promise Advisory Board
8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.

9. I'm running for City Council to tackle our housing affordability, climate, and public safety crises. I was born in Mexico and raised by a single mom in subsidized housing in South Texas. After being first in my family to graduate college, I entered a career in public service, working for U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown, Ohio State Senator Cecil Thomas, Richmond Mayor Tom Butt, and now Berkeley Councilmember Terry Taplin. Through my career, I have advanced initiatives on topics like gun violence and criminal justice reform, housing near BART stations, a West Berkeley Green New Deal, expanded bus and ferry service, electric vehicle charging, and improved safety for pedestrians and cyclists. On Council, I will fight to revitalize our Downtown, address the housing affordability crisis, protect renters, provide compassionate care for our unsheltered neighbors, strengthen police accountability and non-police interventions, modernize our police department, improve emergency response times, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and improve safety for pedestrians and all road users. I will work to provide stability on council, ensure responsible oversight of public funds, and counter discrimination and hate speech. I'm a proud progressive, renter, and transit rider committed to uplifting diverse voices. Join me at [ruben4berkeley.com](http://ruben4berkeley.com)

10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Jesse Arreguín, Mayor, City of Berkeley  
Susan Wengraf, Vice Mayor, City of Berkeley  
Rashi Kesarwani, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 1  
Terry Taplin, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 2  
Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3  
Mark Humbert, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 8  
Rigel Robinson, Former Berkeley City Councilmember, District 7

Laura Babitt, Berkeley Unified School District Board Director  
Andy Kelley, Rent Stabilization Commissioner  
Dyana Delfin Polk, Peralta Colleges Trustee  
Jeff Vincent, Planning Commission Chair  
Noelani Fixler, Transportation and Infrastructure Commission Chair  
Claudia Kawczynska, Chair, Parks, Recreation, & Waterfront Commission  
Weldon Bradstreet, Chairperson, Disaster and Fire Safety Commission  
Kimberley Gaffney, Vice Chair, Zoning Adjustment Board Vice Chair, Design Review  
Committee  
Cameron Woo, Berkeley Civic Arts Commission Vice Chair and Design Review  
Committee Member  
Jim Novosel, Former Planning Commission Chair & BOLT Member  
Adam Berman, Founder, Urban Adamah  
Susan Medak, Former Managing Dir, Berkeley Repertory Theatre  
Stephanie Allan, Career Tech. Educ. Adviser

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I, **SOLI ALPERT**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



1. That my name is Soli Alpert
2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council District 4
3. That my residence is (*Contact City Clerk Department*)
4. The place of my birth is San Francisco, CA
5. My present occupation is Vice-Chair, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board
6. I have held the following public offices: Commissioner, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board. Alternate Commissioner, Berkeley City Council District 4. Chair, Outreach Committee, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board. Member, Budget and Personnel Committee, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board. Member, 4x4 Committee, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board. Member, LIRA (Legislation, IRA, Regulation, AGA) Committee, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board.
7. Record of community service: Alternate, Alameda County Democratic Central Committee. Assembly Delegate, California Democratic Party Central Committee. Administrative Coordinator, Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club. Board Member, East Bay Young Democrats.
8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
9. Labor Leader, Tenant Advocate, Fighter For Accountability. I'm Berkeley Rent Board Vice Chair Soli Alpert and I'm proud to be running for Council with the support of Councilmember Kate Harrison. I started in local progressive activism as a student, first with UC Berkeley Students for Bernie and then with the campaign of Councilmember Kate Harrison, who I served as a Legislative Assistant. I was elected to the Rent Board in 2018. The following year, I worked with my coworkers to unionize the City of Berkeley's Legislative Assistants with SEIU 1021 and served as a union steward until 2022. I was first elected Rent Board Vice Chair in 2020, and re-elected in 2021, 2022, and 2023. As a Council Aide, I have advanced policies in support of workers' and tenants' rights, affordable housing, and open and transparent government. As Rent Board Vice Chair, I have worked to expand tenant protections, shine a light on government inaction towards uninhabitable living conditions, and advocate for protections against displacement in upzoning proposals. I am proud to have helped author the Berkeley Empty Homes Tax overwhelmingly adopted by voters in 2022, and the Berkeley Fair Workweek Ordinance, which brought landmark labor protections to shift workers in our community. I am endorsed by SEIU 1021, East Bay DSA, the

Berkeley Tenants Union, and many elected and appointed officials from throughout our community. You can learn more at [Soli.vote](https://www.soli.vote).

10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Kate Harrison, District 4 Berkeley City Councilmember (fmr.)  
Ana Vasudeo, President, Berkeley School Board  
Michael Chang, Director, Berkeley School Board  
Nicky Gonzalez Yuen, Trustee, Peralta Community College Board  
Sheila Jordan, Alameda County Superintendent of Schools (fmr.)  
Judy Appel, President, Berkeley School Board (fmr.)  
Leah Simon-Weisberg, Chair, Berkeley Rent Board  
Nathan Mizell, Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner  
Vanessa Danielle Marrero, Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner  
Dominique Walker, Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner  
Xavier Johnson, Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner  
Ida Martinac, Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner  
Andy Kelley, Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner  
Karma Smart, Vice Chair, Berkeley Community Health Commission (D4 Appointee)  
Kitty Calavita, Berkeley Police Accountability Board Member (D4 Appointee)  
Daniel Tahara, Berkeley Environment and Climate Commissioner (D4 Appointee)  
Jane Scantlebury, Berkeley Labor Commissioner (D4 Appointee)  
Erin Diehm, Berkeley Parks Recreation and Waterfront Commissioner (D4 Appointee)  
Christina Oatfield, Berkeley Planning Commissioner (D4 Appointee)  
Shirley A. Posey, Berkeley Commission on the Status of Women Member (D4 Appointee)

## Candidate for MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL, DISTRICT 4

I, **ELANA AUERBACH**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



1. That my name is Elana Auerbach
2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council District 4
3. That my residence is (*Contact City Clerk Department*)
4. The place of my birth is Lansing, Michigan
5. My present occupation is Community Volunteer
6. I have held the following public offices: None
7. Record of community service: Former Steering Committee Berkeley Tenants Union, Volunteer Women's Daytime Drop-in Center, Treasurer People's Park Council, Member: Jewish Voice for Peace, Copwatch, DSA, Housing/Labor Advocate
8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.

9. For years, I've dedicated myself to supporting struggling small businesses to stay afloat, holding the police accountable, building tenant protections and housing the unhoused. I'm frustrated by the power given to developer and corporate interests, leading to policies that exclude our community's needs. When elected, I will reinvigorate our small businesses by proposing a commercial vacancy tax to incentivize landlords to rent their vacant storefronts for less. I will fully staff our non-police Specialized Care Unit, first responders to mental health and substance use crises, and address the root causes of crime and the widening wealth gap. I will focus on creating actual affordable housing for people making mid and low incomes. I bring the accountability, integrity and compassion needed for us to thrive. By leading with the courage of my convictions, we will re-energize our democracy so that all voices are valued and respected. Berkeley has been my home since 2006 and I'm a mother to a Berkeley High School freshman. I bring decades of experience of mediating family and community disputes to the Berkeley City Council. I'm proudly endorsed by Jovanka Beckles, Osha Neumann, and the Berkeley Tenants Union. Together, let's reclaim Berkeley from special interests and return it to the people! [elana4berkeley.com](http://elana4berkeley.com).

10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

Max Anderson, Former City councilmember District 3  
Cheryl Davila, Former Councilmember/ Founder CEMTF  
John "Chip" Moore, Chair Police Accountability Board  
Negeene Mosaed, Owner Berkeley Community Physical Therapy Clinic, Chair of Berkeley Tenants Union

Paul Ke'Aloha Blake, Consider the Homeless Advocate  
Paola LaVerde, Former Chair Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board  
Tamar Michai Freeman, Disability Rights Advocate, Berkeley Resident for 35 years,  
2022 Candidate for Berkeley City Council in District 1  
Moni Law, D-4 Resident, Cal alum, Chair Berkeley Community Safety Coalition  
Andrea Prichett, Berkeley Unified School District Teacher, Cofounder Berkeley  
Copwatch  
Rabbi Michael Lerner, Founder of Tikkun Magazine, Author of "Healing  
Israel/Palestine," "Jewish Renewal," "Revolutionary Love," "Blacks & Jews: Let the  
Healing Begin"  
Kelly Hammargren, Retired RN, Activist, Writer  
Harvey Smith, Public Historian, People's Park Historic District Advocacy Group I.D  
Purposes Only  
Judy Ann Alberti, Former Rent Board Commissioner, Berkeley Citizens Action  
Mari Mendonca, Former Rent Board Commissioner, Family & Community Advocate  
Aqshems Meten Nichols, Graduate Student at the University of California, Berkeley,  
Member of UAW 4811  
Diana Bohn, Peace and Justice Commissioner  
James McFadden, Research Physicist, KPFA Local Station Board  
Chana Kronfeld, Professor of the Graduate School, UC Berkeley  
Phoebe Thomas (fka Sorgen), former Berkeley Commissioner  
Richard Illgen

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I, **IGOR A. TREGUB**, hereby declare that I am a candidate for an elective office in the City of Berkeley, and make the following statement:



1. That my name is Igor A. Tregub
2. The office for which I am a candidate is Berkeley City Council, District 4
3. That my residence is 2132 Roosevelt Ave. #7, Berkeley, CA 94703
4. The place of my birth is Kyiv, Ukraine
5. My present occupation is Climate Policy Director
6. I have held the following public offices: Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board; Chair, Berkeley Housing Advisory Commission; Chair, Berkeley Zoning Adjustments Board; Chair, AC Transit Parcel Tax Oversight Committee; Chair, Berkeley Measure O Oversight Committee; Chair, Berkeley Commission on Labor; Chair, Berkeley Peace and Justice Commission; Chair, Joint Committee on the Implementation of State Housing Laws; Berkeley Environment and Climate Commissioner; Berkeley Planning Commissioner; Berkeley Transportation Commissioner; Berkeley Unified School District Parcel Tax Oversight Committee; Chair Rent Board Budget & Personnel Committee; City Council/Rent Board 4\*4 Committee
7. Record of community service: Vice-Chair, Sierra Club California; Boardmember, United Nations Association-East Bay; Boardmember, Savo Island Cooperative; ASUC Senator; East Bay Housing Organizations; Water Education for Latino Leaders
8. I am a taxpayer in the City of Berkeley.
9. We need a Councilmember focused on healing the divides in our city, helping people, and solving problems. I've devoted the past 20 years of my life to serving the people of Berkeley, as the Chair of six Berkeley commissions and as a twice-elected Rent Board Commissioner and UC Berkeley ASUC Senator. In my professional life, I'm a policy expert making clean energy more affordable for homeowners, renters, and small businesses. As a refugee from Ukraine who found a welcoming home in Berkeley, I'm running for City Council to make Berkeley a place we can all call home. I will: Turn the dream of housing affordability into a reality for more Berkeleyans; prioritize a safe and vibrant downtown; help the unhoused rebuild their lives and get off the streets; champion bold climate leadership; and create safer streets and sidewalks for all. I've led the way to create affordable housing, install streetlights, improve bike and pedestrian safety, invest in quality schools, prevent unjust evictions, and augment seismic safety in apartment buildings. Endorsed by local commissioners, small business owners, and

public servants, including Alameda County Treasurer Hank Levy, Assessor Phong La, and reformer Sheriff Yesenia Sanchez, California Treasurer Fiona Ma and former Controller Betty Yee, AC Transit Boardmembers Chris Peeples and Joel Young, majorities of the Berkeley City Council and School Board, and Green the Church Founder Rev. Dr. Ambrose F. Carroll Sr. <https://www.igortregub.com>

10. I refer to the following residents of the City of Berkeley:

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Susan Wengraf, Vice Mayor  
Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember  
Sophie Hahn, Berkeley City Councilmember  
Mark Humbert, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 8  
Linda Maio, Retired City Councilmember  
Fred Collignon, Professor Emeritus, City and Regional Planning U.C. Berkeley  
Former City Councilmember, City of Berkeley  
Ana Vasudeo, President, Berkeley School Board  
Michael Chang, BUSD School Board Director  
Laura Babitt, Berkeley Unified School Board Director  
Anna De Leon, Former School Board President, Attorney Small Business Owner  
Elizabeth Echols, President, East Bay Regional Park District Board  
Andy Katz, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District Chair, Commission on Labor  
Community Health Commission  
Vanessa Danielle Marrero, Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner  
Stefan Elgstrand, Rent Stabilization Board Commissioner  
John T Selawsky, former Chair Berkeley Rent Board; Trustee and former President  
Board of Library Trustees  
Wendy Bloom, Registered Nurse; Former Chair, Berkeley Commission on Labor  
Randeep Rekhi, Former Owner of Bobby G's Pizzeria  
John "Chip" Moore, Chair-Police Accountability Board  
Winston Burton, NAACP Vice President; District 4 Neighbor