I’m Dana Yates Sahae, a San Mateo native, parent, community volunteer, and former journalist. I spent a decade covering local government, public safety, and community issues. I have a unique understanding of the voices, challenges, and opportunities facing San Mateo and the region — and a practical understanding of public policy and how government impacts our quality of life.

Through my roles as a nonprofit executive, District 5 neighborhood leader, and a public school PTA president, I’ve long understood the value of a collaborative approach to community advocacy, managing diverse teams, operating with tight budgets, and proactively engaging the community, even when tensions run high.

As your councilmember, I’ll prioritize the quality of life issues that directly impact San Mateo residents: well-funded public safety, no-nonsense budgeting, maintaining our city services, investment in our streets, roads and sidewalks, and an approach to development that ensures infrastructure keeps pace with growth. All this and a more responsive City Hall for residents and businesses alike.

My candidacy is about action over ideology and problem solving through leadership that listens and asks tough questions. I’m proud to be endorsed by retired State Senator Jerry Hill, San Mateo County Supervisors Jackie Speier and Ray Mueller, and numerous other elected officials and community members. www.danaforsanmateo.com