

I chose Menlo Park to raise my family, drawn by excellent schools, tree-lined streets, and welcoming neighbors. But with eight years of the same leadership, we've gone off track. City Council's reactive missteps led to 80 Willow/Sunset skyscrapers, structural budget deficits and dwindling reserves, and residents feeling shut out of critical decisions. I canvassed the entire District and heard first-hand: we need a better, forward-looking plan.

As a retired strategy and operations executive with McKinsey and Google, and now as a Menlo Park Finance & Audit Commissioner, I've solved similar problems: creating strategic plans, fixing finances, negotiating with strength, and building consensus. I have time to give, and endorsements from current county supervisors, city councilmembers, appointed commissioners, and residents like you.

Here's the plan. Responsible growth that meets housing requirements and revitalizes downtown, while standing up to skyscrapers. Real investment in our quality of life: safer streets, climate adaptation, programs for kids, responsive city services, all funded by our city's mega tech companies paying their fair share. And a Council that is strategic, transparent and accountable, while securing real results from the county and state.

Join me in delivering the fresh start Menlo Park deserves. Learn more: www.votevamsi.com.