

Coastside Democrats Candidate Survey

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Thank you for your interest in applying for the endorsement of the Coastside Democrats. Please complete this submission by **Friday, September 4, 2026**. All Club members will vote on candidate endorsements.



Half Moon Bay (HMB) City Council

The HMB City Council sets priorities and policies, makes final decisions on all major City matters, adopts ordinances and resolutions, appoints the City Manager and City Attorney, and approves the annual budget.

The City of Half Moon Bay holds district-based elections for its five city council seats to staggered four-year terms. There are three districts up for election in 2026: Districts 1 (Brownstone), 4 (Ruddock), and 5 (Penrose).

1. Candidate Name *

Steven R. Booker

2. As a Club under the California Democratic Party, we only endorse fellow Democrats. Please state how long you have been registered to vote as a Democrat: *

- ☒ Always been a registered Democrat
- ☐ Have been a registered Democrat for the last ten years
- ☐ Have been a registered Democrat for the last five years
- ☐ Just registered as a Democrat this election cycle.

3. I certify the information provided on this application and in any subsequent interview or written submission is true and correct. *

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

Statement Questionnaire

4. Why are you running for this office? *

I'm running because a large segment of our community feels unrepresented and forgotten, especially in the underserved areas of the county. My legislative agenda will be to have a more equitable city Where those with the most dire needs are met with and not forgotten.

5. What will be your top priorities if elected? *

Housing at all affordability levels, including but not limited to veterans, senior, workforce and essential worker housing; safe neighborhoods and improved police/community relations.

6. Please explain how your background and experience have prepared you for this office. *

I'm the Political Director for IBEW Local 617, the Recording Secretary for the San Mateo County Central Labor Council. I'm on the Board of Directors for SMPD Police Activities League and the San Mateo County Sheriff's Activities League, and a decorated United States Air Force Gulf War Veteran. I believe the skills and experienced I've gained has given me a well-rounded perspective of city and county politics.

7. What do you see as the major issues on the Coastside? *

Housing, budget deficit, and law suits from the state.

8. Is there anything in your background which, if you receive the Club's endorsement, could cause embarrassment to the club? If so, please provide the details. *

I got a DUI in 2022.

9. Who is supporting your campaign at this stage (e.g., endorsements, donors), and are there any potential conflicts of interest we should know about? *

Senator Josh Beck. Assemblyman Marc Berman. Board of Supervisors Noelia Corzo, David Canepa, Ray Muller and Lisa Gauthier. SMC DEMS. State Building and Construction Trades. IBEW 617, and many more.

Specific Questions for Your Office

10. For which District are you running? *

- ☐ District 1
- ☐ District 4
- ☒ District 5

11. Is the city in a financially stable position and, if not, how do you propose making it financially secure? *

The city of Half Moon Bay faces a budget deficit over \$2 million. Not to mention the possible revenue loss from the VLF. We must look at all options including parcel tax and TOT increase.

12. What is your position on the use of Flock cameras in our community? *

100% against Flock cameras

13. What is your plan to protect our farmworker community from ICE harassment? *

As a person of color, I'm fully aware of our underrepresented communities in San Mateo County. My plan is to inform and educate these communities on the programs and services San Mateo County has to offer, such as rapid response and know your rights, and to help fund programs that promote equity and racial and social justice.

14. How do you think HMB should address the healthcare needs of coastal residents? Do you support an Urgent Care facility on the Coastside? A Healthcare District? *

I absolutely support Urgent Care and a Health Care District. I will do everything legally possible to protect Health services on the coast.

15. Homeless encampments and long-term parking of RVs/campers are difficult issues. How do you think the city should address these problems? *

We must continue to find ways to shelter our homeless such as program Home Key and provide more mental health services. Health care is a right and should not be tied to employment or economic status.

16. Given the statewide push for more housing construction, and the need on the Coastside for more housing (both market rate and low income), what is your position on the city's housing element and mandates from the state? *

One of my main priorities is housing at all levels, but especially Veterans and Affordable/Workforce housing. We have to work with our developers and community leaders to create a better quality of life for all by building more housing.

17. What is your position on the 555 Kelly affordable housing project for senior farm workers including the "Let the Voters Decide" referendum related to it? *

I 100% support 555 Kelly. I feel like the voters already decided and a few are holding this up and creating unnecessary burdens and lawsuits.

Submit When Finished

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Feel free to contact demclubcoastside@gmail.com if you have any questions.

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