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Arjun Batra for City Council D10



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Vote Arjun Batra for City Council

Arjun Batra is putting his experience to work, crafting real solutions to the challenges ahead. Hundreds of residents have already cast their ballots for Arjun in the March elections because they know he's the best choice to be our voice on City Council.

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DISTRICT 10 – BATRA

[Mayor Matt] Mahan was halfway through his City Council term representing Almaden Valley's District 10 when he was elected mayor in 2022. To fill the vacancy, the county appointed Arjun Batra, who voters should now support for a full term.

A former Intel Corp. executive, Batra has used his time on the council well, developing an understanding of San Jose's knottiest challenges. He supports Mahan's emphasis on interim housing over building affordable homes, reasoning that the current homeless crisis cannot wait years for expensive housing for a few people. However, he warns that temporary housing brings its own risks, since operating costs can spiral upward over time.

Batra also believes it's time to re-examine the BART extension to Santa Clara, noting that the region and the project's costs have changed dramatically since the plan was designed. Finally, he warns against converting high-vacancy office space into housing without serious consideration.

Batra came better prepared to discuss the city's challenges than his two opponents, George Casey, a land use attorney and city planning commissioner, and Lenka Wright, who has been a spokesperson for five cities over the past 17 years, including five years for San Jose.

Batra is the candidate ready to address the city's complex issues. Voters in District 10 should give him a full term on the City Council.

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