

Sonoma County Conservation Action Report Card 2005 – 2006

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Official's Name	Envr. Voting	Listens to Citizens	Ratings are for Summer 2004 – Summer 2005. All ratings are opinions of SCCA, which is solely responsible for the contents of this report.
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS			
Valerie Brown	D-	D	Too much time spent “dialing for dollars”. Listens to developers, not the citizens and residents. A real disappointment.
Mike Kerns	C	B-	Has taken some important steps forward on affordable housing policies. Is accessible to the public, but needs to act on Lafferty.
Tim Smith	C-	D	Often sides with moneyed interests against environmental concerns. Not responsive enough to his constituents, and seems to turn a deaf ear.
Paul Kelley	F	F	A closed-minded ideologue; supporter of “property rights for developers.” Barely tolerates listening to constituents who don’t think how he thinks.
Mike Reilly	A-	A	Has commitment, does his homework and follows his heart; often the lone environmental vote on the Board. Very approachable, respectful of all opinions.
CLOVERDALE CITY COUNCIL			
Mary Ann Brigham	B+	B+	A good environmental vote. Her ideas would get more mileage if she were to discuss her ideas during deliberations. More accessible to public.
Bob Jehn	B-	A	Shows concern for some environmental issues, but may vote on positions favored by Supervisor Kelley. Great on SMART Rail. Very open to public input.
Jessalee Raymond	C+	A	She is very accessible. So far seems very conscientious and responsive.
Gail Pardini-Plass	C+	B	Becoming more conscious of environmental issues. Since becoming Mayor she seems to be making a major effort to be more accessible and responsive.
Gus Wolter	B	B	A good environmental vote. He is very responsive to citizen’s input.
COTATI CITY COUNCIL			
Geoff Fox	B	C+	Open-minded; able to compromise. Needs to focus on constituents’ positions.
Pat Gilardi	B	B-	Generally good on development related issues. Positioned to take lead on jobs/housing linkage fee.
Patty Minnis	C	C	Does not support mixed use. Should be more open to citizen’s input.
Lisa Moore	B	B	Led on the city’s green building code. Works hard for mixed use. Goes the extra mile to work with others.
Janet Orchard	B+	B+	Overall a solid vote for the environment. Listens to citizen input.
HEALDSBURG CITY COUNCIL			
Mike McGuire	A	B	Actively seeks, promotes and votes for environmentally conscious solutions. Actively listens and solicits public input.
Gary Plass	F	C	Voted against Climate Protection. Doesn’t understand the relationship of city planning to environment. Listens, but has little capacity to incorporate feedback.
Jason Liles	A	A	Consistently supports sound environmental protections and solutions. Actively seeks citizen input; available to discuss issues at any time.
Kent Mitchell	B	C+	Voted for Climate Protection; broadened his understanding of environmental issues. Listens to a variety of viewpoints; doesn’t seek out environmental issues.
Lisa Schaffner	D	D	Has little environmental understanding of the “Big Picture.” Interested in hearing citizens’ views, but responds from a pro-business bias.
PETALUMA CITY COUNCIL			
Pamela Torliatt	A	A	A shining star for the environment; an excellent role model. Truly listens to the public and is resourceful in translating these messages into legislation.
David Glass	A	A	A proven environmental voting record. A tremendous voice for the citizens. Always takes time to listen, and then makes the effort to act.
Mike Harris	D	C-	Can be counted on for voting in favor of developers at the expense of the environment. Listens, but does not integrate citizen input into his vote.
Mike Healy	C	B	Sometimes an environmental vote, but frequently votes with “pro-developer” majority. Hard to identify true concern for public input, but is available.
Karen Nau	D-	F	Has shown a lack of understanding and vision on environmental issues. She listens, but her voting record doesn’t reflect input.
Mike O’Brien	F	D-	Consistently votes against the environment on all key issues facing the city; votes instead for developers. Inaccessible to most citizens’s input.
Keith Canevaro	D	D	Consistently votes with the majority without regard for environmental factors. Doesn’t communicate his positions to or engage with the public

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ROHNERT PARK CITY COUNCIL			
Armando Flores	F	F	Not concerned at all about long-term impacts of growth on the environment. Exudes arrogance. Concerned only about his political career.
Jake Mackenzie	A-	A	A true environmental leader. Listens wholeheartedly to citizen input; was willing to change his position on the casino after hearing citizen opposition.
Tim Smith	B+	B+	Has brought refreshing awareness to the Council. Genuinely concerned about sustainable growth. Listens to the people. Votes from his own convictions.
Vicki Vidak-Martinez	B	B+	Has improved from consistent support of developers to more objective review of environmental issues. Has improved greatly in listening to the people.
Amie Spradlin	F	F	Unprepared at meetings other than to voice opinions of the power brokers. Totally out of touch with the citizens.
SANTA ROSA CITY COUNCIL			
Bob Blanchard	D-	D-	Always votes with developers in mind. Very little interest in citizen input unless it supports his interests.
Jane Bender	C	B	Has shown leadership on county-wide climate control campaign, but not on affordable housing. Responds to citizens' communications swiftly.
Janet Condron	D	D+	Her biggest concerns are facilitating Business and Development, not the environment, particularly Smart growth. Seems tired of Council work.
John Sawyer	C	C	In general his votes go with the majority. Too easily influenced by developers concerns. Easy to reach, but not focused on listening to varying responses.
Mike Martini	D+	D	Heavily tied to the Sonoma County Alliance; little to no progressive leadership.
Steve Rabinowitsh	A	A	Leader on Railroad Square mixed-use & SR Creek restoration. Never backs down, strongly supports the importance of public access to Council meetings.
Lee Pierce	C+	B	The environment is not his high priority, but willing to learn about smart growth issues. Holds office hours once a month, making him more accessible.
SEBASTOPOL CITY COUNCIL			
Sarah Glade-Gurney	A	A	Has a solid core of environmental values; able to move traditional groups towards a progressive stance. She is liked and trusted by the community.
Linda Kelley	A	A	Takes a leadership position; is rock-solid for environmental protection. Asks questions of experts, works with community groups to both teach and learn.
Craig Litwin	A	A	A dedicated environmentalist with a solid environmental vote. Very open and available to citizen input.
Larry Robinson	A	A	A clear environmentalist with the ability to direct the city, as the Mayor, in identifying key issues and addressing them.
Sam Pierce	A	A	The newest member of the council. He is heading up the subcommittee to further develop Sebastopol's Green Building Code. Very approachable.
SONOMA CITY COUNCIL			
Joanne Sanders	B-	B	Coming out strong for sustainability language in the General Plan process. Listens well to citizens' input.
Stanley Cohen	B	B+	Supports more parks and bike paths. He's trying very hard to listen and working at learning more about environmental issues.
Larry Barnett	A	A-	He consistently votes for the environment. He listens well, leads well, and has the ability to change his mind when the public input is clear.
Ken Brown	A	A	A leader for the protection and enhancement of Sonoma's environment. Engages the public actively. Solicits input from not just voters, but the youth.
Doug McKesson	B-	B-	A good vote on environmental issues. A good listener.
WINDSOR TOWN COUNCIL			
Steve Allen	C	B-	Opposes many environmental positions, but is willing to compromise. Becoming more receptive to citizen input.
Debora Fudge	A	A	Remains the "gold standard" on environmental issues. Reaches out to all of the community. True leader in regards to the new Downtown.
Lynn Morehouse	C-	C-	Lowered grade this year due to lack of leadership on smart growth principles, such as mixed-use. Listens to input, but it doesn't seem to influence her votes.
Sam Salmon	A	A	Leader in sustainability and smart growth principles as seen in his voting record. Very open to citizen input. Another Downtown champion.
Warin Parker	B	B	Understands the benefits of mixed use/high density. An open minded listener.