

# Coastside Democrats Candidate Survey

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Email address \*

Thank you for your interest in applying for the endorsement of the Coastside Democrats. Please complete this submission by August 27th. All Club members will vote on candidate endorsements by September 3rd.

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## Democrats Unite



Please read and click the following two checkboxes to proceed. \*

As a Club under the California Democratic Party, we only endorse fellow Democrats. If you do not wish to proceed further, please let us know you decline by emailing [president@coastsidedemocrats.com](mailto:president@coastsidedemocrats.com)

- Click this box to confirm you are registered to vote as a Democrat.
- Click this box to certify that the information you provide in this application and in any subsequent interview or written submission are true and accurate.

Please state how long you have been registered to vote as a Democrat. \*

- I have always been a registered Democrat
- I have been a registered Democrat for the last ten years
- I recently registered to vote as a Democrat after 2016 when the current President came into office
- Other: 2014

### Contact Information

A question with a red asterisk requires a response to proceed. We will not share your contact information with the Public.

Candidate Name \*

Tom Mattusch

Contested Office up for Election \*

San Mateo County Harbor District District 4

Phone Number \*

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If this form is filled by someone other than the Candidate, please provide the Staffer's name

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Staffer's alternate email address

tommattusch@comcast.net

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Staffer's alternate phone number

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Statement Questionnaire

Answers are limited to 1000 characters. Your answers below will be shared with all members and publicly broadcast at <https://coastsidedems.org/government>

Why are you running for this office? \*

San Mateo County Harbor District operates two facilities, Pillar Point Harbor and Oyster Point Marina. I have worked out of Pillar Point Harbor continuously since 1992. I worked out of Oyster Point Marina on tugs on San Francisco Bay. Both Harbors mean a lot to me. I have operated out of or used many of the harbor facilities in California. I used that experience to design and create a mooring program for the Santa Cruz Port District. I used my MBA in Management to oversee healthcare facilities in a management role. I want to continue to guide improvement and operational stability to the San Mateo County facilities and make them a welcoming and safe place for all to visit.

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

The demographics of folks visiting the coast has changed over the last 20 years. The bay area has 'discovered' the Coastside. This has led to traffic at levels that are unimaginable even a decade ago. The Coastside area is a bedroom community to workers from out of the area. Current pandemic response has temporarily eased commuting issues, however has created a surge in tourists not ever experienced before on such a level. Bureaucratic red tape prevents quick solutions. There are challenges between City, private property, business owner and government that prevent quick solutions.

What will your top priorities be if you are elected? \*

Imrove infrastructure and community serving environment at both Harbors. Assuring a safe and welcoming space for all.

Please explain how your background and experience have prepared you for the office you are seeking. \*

2 term incumbent for SMCHD. USCG Master. Small business owner in this area. MBA in Management. Regional Working Group representative to set up MPA's in this and other areas. Current researcher to examine effectiveness of marine reserves. Assisted in development of salmon acclimation pen that releases 750,000 salmon smolts a year. Member of Dungeness Crab Task Force Whale Entanglement Group. Sit on two non profit Boards. As a charterboat owner/operator I have taken underprivileged youth out for their first ocean experience. I take a group of deaf folks out yearly, have done charters for disabled folks.

Have you ever run for political office, served on a political committee or been identified publicly with a political organization, candidate, ballot measure or issue? If so, please provide the details of your involvement. \*

Yes, 2 term San Mateo County Harbor District

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. \*

Opposition by political opponents

Thank you

Click Back to return to a previous question. Toggle the option below to request a copy of your responses. Click Submit when you are done. You may return to this form using the same email address you entered at the beginning to continue editing your responses until the 27 August deadline.

**Contact [president@coastsidedemocrats.com](mailto:president@coastsidedemocrats.com) if you have any questions.**

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