



WARD 4 CANDIDATE STATEMENT

Rich Vandenberg

Financial Professional

I am a Riverside native. This is the city that shaped me, where I raised my family, built my career, and chose to serve. As a finance professional, I have helped families throughout our city achieve the dream of homeownership and build stability for their families.

Through my service on the City's Budget Engagement Commission and the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, I have reviewed city budgets and bond spending firsthand. When residents entrust us with their tax dollars, they must be managed responsibly, transparently, and with accountability.

My priorities are clear:

Protecting neighborhoods: Opposing further expansion of large logistics warehouse projects that increase truck traffic and harm residential quality of life while supporting economic development that attracts higher-paying jobs.

Public safety: Supporting first responders and strengthening neighborhood safety so families feel comfortable with their children playing outside.

Homelessness response and prevention: Partnering with churches and nonprofits serving youth and families while ensuring laws are enforced and public spaces remain safe and accessible.

Infrastructure and traffic: Improving road maintenance and addressing congestion.

Riverside works best when we bring people together. I am committed to practical solutions that strengthen our community.

I would be honored to earn your vote.
