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Candidate's Statement of Qualifications

CITY OF: LAGUNA BEACH

OFFICE SOUGHT: CITY COUNCIL X
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NAME: Bob Whalen AGE: _____ (Optional)

OCCUPATION: Municipal Finance Attorney

(Elections Code § 13307)

In 2016, I promised voters I would work to improve public safety and to protect our neighborhoods. I am proud of the progress made towards these goals.

I spearheaded a comprehensive study resulting in Council approval of a Wildfire Mitigation and Fire Safety Report that will reduce the risk of wildfire and protect lives.

I led the effort to increase the hotel bed tax, which provides increased funding for police, fire, paramedics, marine safety, and wildfire mitigation.

I promised to act on short-term rentals and we adopted an ordinance banning these in residential neighborhoods.

But I am running for re-election because much more remains to be done.

COVID-19 presents major, ongoing health and financial challenges. As Mayor this year, I have worked daily on our response to COVID-19.

Given my experience as Mayor and as a public finance attorney, I am confident that I can continue to help the City navigate through the impacts of COVID-19.

We also must work to add public parking, expand housing opportunities for our seniors and protect ocean water quality.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

I ask for your vote on November 3.

For more information visit www.bobwhalenforlbcouncil.com

Date 08-06-2020

Candidate's Signature

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