

Statement of **PAT WAITE**, Candidate for  
**Member, San Jose City Council, District 8**

**Occupation:** Retired Business Executive & Non-Profit Volunteer

**Age:** 50

**Education and Qualifications:**

San Jose is at a turning point. Your vote can move our city in the right direction. For too long, our elected representatives' proposals for dealing with budget shortfalls have been the same: raise taxes, cut services. This strategy eventually fails because you run out of people to tax and services to cut. This is your opportunity to refocus your government on the things that matter: providing for our public safety, providing places for our children to grow and learn, providing a city where people can be as successful as they are willing to be.

I worked twenty years in finance organizations for a variety of high tech Silicon Valley companies. I have experience managing large budgets and dealing with complex issues. I'm committed to asking difficult questions and working hard to make things better for you.

I've lived in San Jose since 1984, watching an endless stream of experienced politicians fumble through budget crisis after budget crisis. It is time for change. It is time to put somebody with real, relevant experience to work on the business of our city government.

Thank you for the trust you place in me with your vote.