## Cathy Murillo

Hi, my name is Cathy Murillo, I'm inspired to serve on the City Council to connect people to City Hall and City Hall to the people. That's what I've done all these years as a journalist.

<u>I will make budget and policy decisions that benefit all residents,</u> with a focus on our children, families, and seniors.

I especially want to give voice to those with little or no representation: working people, renters, people who ride the bus, and people of color.

Many of you know me from my work as a news reporter, **and** from my work with young people. I've taught and mentored youth of all ages. ... My media career has given me extensive knowledge of local government, and budget and finance.

I understand environmental, social, and business issues. I am skilled in communication, and research and analysis. I know how to seek– **and respect** – diverse opinions.

My budget priorities: **Conservative spending** of the Public Treasury, **Robust Cash Reserves**, Funding for Public Safety, and **Restored Funding** for libraries, parks, and recreation services.

As an advocate for our youth, I want our Libraries be open for after-school programs. For reading, studying, and learning.

Our Parks budget has been greatly reduced – we must get back to enhancing our parks and restoring our horticultural resources – for the benefit of our residents – **and** tourists.

I understand the need for housing and transportation policies that meet the needs of our residents.

And I will work hard to find compassionate and effective ways to help our challenged populations. These include: at-risk youth, the homeless, the mentally ill, and the fragile elderly.

Equally important to me is to support businesses and maintain the appeal of Santa Barbara's tourist-serving areas.

I care about the environment and that is demonstrated by my endorsement from the Sierra Club.

I am an advocate for children and families – I am endorsed by school board members Annette Cordero, Kate Parker, Monique Limon, and Susan Deacon. AND former mayor and city college trustee Marty Blum.

I have the support of PUEBLO, Planned Parenthood Action Fund, the Santa

Barbara Women's Political Committee, and many groups representing working men and women.

I understand regional issues and I can work with elected officials from other jurisdictions and agencies. I am endorsed by all 3 South County supervisors: Janet Wolf, Salud Carbajal, and Doreen Farr.

And I'm also proud to have the endorsement of the Santa Barbara Independent.

I consider all the residents of Santa Barbara my neighbors.

I care about your neighborhood, your family, your prosperity, and your safety. I would be honored to have **your** vote and support.