

Statement for: Nancy Whalen

Hello Altadena and thank you for considering me to serve you on the Altadena Town Council. My family and I have been part of the Altadena community for almost eight years and have grown to treasure its many unique and wonderful attributes. I particularly love the strong and diverse community, artistic culture, natural beauty, amazing library, hiking trails, plethora of independent local businesses and our lovely neighbors. Altadena is a very special place and I am grateful to be able to live here.

By profession I have worked in communications and public relations for over 20 years. I spent many years working on behalf of Southern California utility companies doing marketing, education and outreach regarding energy efficiency as a means to curb greenhouse gas emissions for large entities such as cities, counties and large corporations. Part of my work has been to communicate complex subjects into layman's terms both in written and verbal form. In my free time I enjoy gardening, horse riding, reading and spending time with my family.

As a community member I am involved in Altadena Heritage, ACONA, CHA-CHA, The Arroyo Seco Foundation, the local Altadena 4-H Chapter, Girl Scouts, and the trail riding community.

There are some issues in Altadena that I would advocate for if elected and they include: keeping our sheriff's station open; ensuring the impending street light conversion retains the current treasured historic ambiance Altadena has enjoyed for decades; and to encourage a transition from gas to electric leaf blowers. I would also support locally owned and operated small businesses to the best of my ability and protect the nature and public open space we are fortunate to have so close to us.

I would be honored to serve the Altadena community which has served my family and I so well and thank you for your consideration.