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MARK NAGALES SUBMITS PAPERS FOR SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CITY COUNCIL RACE

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24 July 2018 – South San Francisco, CA: Congressional Aide and South San Francisco Planning Commissioner Mark Nagales has submitted papers to become a candidate for the South San Francisco City Council race, taking place November 6, 2018.

“I’m excited to become a candidate for City Council in South San Francisco,” Mark said, “This is a grassroots effort, and I want to thank everyone who has supported me along the way. I look forward to speaking to the voters about our campaign.”

A long-time aide to Congresswoman Jackie Speier, Mark Nagales first announced his intention to run for City Council in January 2018. This month, he announced that he had over \$12,000 in the campaign account, placing him in a strong financial position heading into the Fall election season. A majority of donors are from South San Francisco, with individual donations averaging \$100 or less.

Current South San Francisco City Councilmembers Mark Addiego and Pradeep Gupta are running for re-election. Both Councilmembers Addiego and Gupta have endorsed Mark.

At Mark’s campaign kick-off party on May 20, 2018, Councilmembers Addiego and Gupta spoke highly of his qualifications to serve on the City Council.

“Mark Nagales is the most prepared, the most ready to serve, the most ready to assume the role of City Councilmember of anyone I’ve witnessed up to this point,” said Councilmember Addiego. “Mark has shown a commitment to the community that quite frankly others have not. And that’s what’s going to set him apart on this campaign, his willingness to sacrifice, to be there on your behalf.”

“We [Mark and I] are similar on the value of working for people to make South City better,” commented Councilmember Gupta, “To be connecting, to be working with them, to recognize that not only today’s generation, but also our children and grandchildren who want to live in this town too. Second, both of us are very much involved with the process of working with people in order to make everything work together.”

Mark has been endorsed by Congresswoman Jackie Speier; San Mateo County Supervisors Carole Groom, Don Horsley, Dave Pine, Warren Slocum; former California State Assemblymember Gene Mullin; former South San Francisco Mayors Pedro Gonzalez and John Penna, all members of the South San Francisco Unified School Board, Parks and Recreation Commission, and Library Board; and a growing list of South San Francisco residents, business owners, and community leaders. In recent days, Mark received an endorsement from California State Senator Scott Wiener, who joins his colleagues State Senator Jerry Hill, Assemblymember Kevin Mullin, and Assemblymember Phil Ting, who represent South San Francisco in the California State Legislature.

Mark has lived in South San Francisco for over 30 years, attending Los Cerritos Elementary School, Alta Loma Middle School, and South San Francisco High School. Mark attended San Francisco State University and graduated in 2003 with a double major in History and Political Science. Mark and his wife Amy live in South San Francisco’s Westborough neighborhood with their two young children, Aidan and Josephine.

A dedicated public servant, Mark Nagales is an experienced community leader who brings his public service experience from working on the Federal, State and local levels. Mark is currently the Constituent Services Director for Congresswoman Jackie Speier, and previously served as a Senior Aide to former California State Assemblymember Gene Mullin. Throughout Mark’s career, he has worked tirelessly to help seniors, veterans, families, and children, including recovering over \$5 million in veterans’ benefits.

Mark is currently Chair of the South San Francisco Planning Commission, where he has advocated for affordable housing, smart development, and traffic reduction. As a former Parks and Recreation Commissioner, Mark spearheaded the popular Movie in the Park program and maintained affordable services.

“I am running to ensure that my hometown of South San Francisco remains a safe, prosperous, and vibrant place for all families in our community,” Mark said. “Together, we can bring a new voice to South San Francisco.”

Learn more about Mark Nagales at marknagales.com and facebook.com/MarkNagalesforSSFCityCouncil.



Mark Nagales, candidate for South San Francisco City Council 2018.

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Mark Nagales takes the oath of office on July 23, 2018 to become a candidate for South San Francisco City Council. Photo courtesy Mark Nagales.