

Connie Chan

Meet the candidates, week 11: “As supervisor, how will you leverage legislative tools available to you to have more affordable housing units *built*?”

There are two key elements to build affordable housing: land and money. So whenever possible I work with stakeholders including the Mayor's Office of Housing to identify potential sites that can be available for housing development in the Richmond. And as Budget Committee Chair, I sponsor and approve public financing legislation such as issuance of affordable housing bonds, certificate of participation, transfer tax allocation, special tax districts, application of state funding and more so San Francisco can obtain public dollars to build affordable housing.

In the coming months, I will be supporting a potential regional housing bond that could bring about \$1.2 billion to San Francisco alone so we can build more affordable housing in our city and all nine counties in Northern California. And as for the currently approved 73,000 housing units in the pipeline, I voted to support lowering inclusionary unit requirements so developers can speed up housing production.