

Week 31: Name one specific issue affecting residents in the Excelsior. How would you address it as their supervisor?

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Trash and illegal dumping is a huge issue in the Excelsior, where I live. Oftentimes, you see whole mattresses and items dropped on street corners. First, I would enforce fines for illegal dumping, and increase education of bulky pickup and free dump days, such as the recent one at Balboa High School. For day-to-day trash, we need more public trash cans on Mission, Geneva, and at the parks (Excelsior, McLaren) that can't be tampered with, and more power washing of commercial corridors on Mission and Geneva. We also need to audit Recology for why it keeps getting more expensive with subpar service and finally more community trash cleanups in the Excelsior to restore community pride and ownership.