

BIO
Robin McKee-Cant
Candidate for
Yountville Town Council

I was born and raised in Napa, and for most of my life the valley has been my home.

Since buying a home in Yountville in 2019, my husband and I have been surprised to learn how many residents have felt disenfranchised because their voices have been ignored. They care deeply about the town and want their opinions to be taken into consideration by town leaders.

I believe balance between business and community can be achieved through collaboration, and I want to use my voice to amplify the voices of those not being heard.

While serving on the Yountville Arts Commission, I contributed programs and content to three committees, and I previously co-chaired two annual fundraising events for the Mt. Veeder Fire Safe Council. When living in Napa, I planned an event for Browns Valley residents to address safety concerns with members of the Napa Police Department. Hundreds of people attended and learned in how to form neighborhood watch programs as a result. Everyone talked about doing something. I took action.

I have a background in tourism and office management. I'm accountable, approachable and insightful, and I have the integrity and intelligence needed to be a thoughtful leader for Yountville.

ENDORSEMENTS

Four days into my campaign, I am endorsed by the following individuals:

Marita Dorenbecher, Yountville Vice Mayor
Dr. Cynthia Kapjian, Chair, Yountville Arts
James McDonald, Vice Chair, Yountville Arts
Ronda Schaer, Commissioner, Yountville Arts
Kim Cook, Zoning & Design Review Board Member
Billie Hewitt, Resident
Prentiss Willson, Resident
Janet Gotch, Resident

KEY SUPPORTERS

As a resident of Rancho de Napa, a large mobile home park (aka manufactured home community) I anticipate strong support here in the community.

FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Having just received my confirmation from the County and Town of Yountville, I've not yet established a campaign account, however, I expect my funding will come from residents who want to see change on the Town Council.

MY CANDIDACY/PLATFORM

What distinguishes my candidacy and campaign from the other candidates for this office?

My campaign message will be on the importance of giving town residents an equal voice. By being approachable and open, I will make residents comfortable sharing their ideas, concerns and thoughts.

I have a unique background with experience working in large corporations and for powerful families. I will bring my unique employment experience with me not only to the campaign, but also to serve me in the role. I've worked as a facilitator in Autodesk's Executive Briefing Center, and I've

planned client functions for Ferrari. I was Michael Mondavi's Executive Assistant for two years and I've worked for a Trust attorney and a financial advisor. This varied experience will enable me to understand various perspectives on issues and to think on my feet. The most unique thing about me is that I've been a professional singer and entertainer since I was in my early 20s. I am at ease communicating to crowds. I do hope the decades of experience I have on stage will support me as I am meeting many new people during the campaign.

What do you see as the major issues and their possible solutions in this campaign?

Most certainly a key issue for the entire valley right now is affordable housing. Focusing on Yountville only, I would support expansion of housing in certain places on the Yountville Elementary School campus grounds, once the Town is able to transfer ownership from the school district, and I'm also interested in understanding how additional affordable housing can be added on the grounds of the Veterans Home of California, so employees working at the home would have a local affordable place to reside.

Water is an ongoing issue, and I feel continued awareness of town guidelines is needed - though I will add that water usage is down 42.3% for two of the largest neighborhoods in town.