

# Peninsula Dog PAC Questionnaire

**1. Do you have a dog? If so, where are your favorite places to walk your dog?**

I have a lab mix named Luna, and she's the sweetest dog in the world. I love walking her to Greer Park, Emily Renzel Pond, and any other parks that we can find.

**2. Palo Alto allows dogs on all trails in open space preserves except weekends and holidays at Foothill Park. Do you believe:**

- (a) There should be some off-leash trails.
- (b) Foothill Park should allow dog access on weekends and holidays.
- (b) The amount of off-leash trails (none) and on-leash is just right.**
- (c) There should be no off-leash trails and fewer on-leash trails.

**Please explain your choice.**

Foothills Park has a lot of wildlife that should be protected, and having dogs come in on days where the park is already busy would be detrimental to them as well as other hikers who may be allergic to or scared of dogs. I think it is totally fine to allow dogs in during the week when the park is less crowded. Additionally, dogs should stay on leash when on trails. Luna is very good off-leash, but I would fear for her safety as well as the safety of the animals on the trail if she were to be off-leash.

**3. Palo Alto has small fenced in off-leash dog areas in Greer Park, Hoover Park and Mitchell Park: Do you believe:**

- (a) Additional parks (or more area in these parks) should allow dogs off-leash.**
- (b) This is the right amount of off-leash dog parks for Palo Alto
- (c) One or more of these parks should no longer allow dogs off-leash.

**Please explain your choice.**

I love taking Luna to the schools in our area and letting her run around the huge fields off-leash. There should be more spaces open for this.

**4. There is a proposal to test off-leash hours at two Palo Alto parks (other than the fenced in dog run areas at Mitchell, Greer and Hoover parks). Do you support this proposal? Do you support the overall concept of limited off-leash hours at some Palo Alto parks? Please elaborate.**

I support it for well-behaved dogs during off-peak hours.

**5. Do you believe there are Palo Alto parks, trails and open space that should no long permit dogs on-leash? Please elaborate.**

Not that I am aware of.

**6. Is there anything else you would like voters to know about your position on recreational dog walking access?**

Like thousands of other Palo Alto families, Luna is part of our family. It's important for families — including our four-legged family members — to have places to walk, run, play, and simply enjoy time outside together.

Raven Malone



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Printed Name

Signature

Date

*Thank you for answering these questions. We plan on putting your answers on our website to make it easy for your constituents to view your positions.*