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ChamberPAC makes early endorsements in San Jose City Council race

The San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber's political action committee, ChamberPAC, has made early endorsements of two San Jose City Council members, Pierluigi Oliverio, District 6, and Rose Herrera, District 8. Both were elected in 2008 and are up for re-election in June 2012.

Both Oliverio and Herrera have strong business-issue ties and supported chamber-endorsed ballot measures V&W in 2010. They have also indicated support for Mayor Chuck Reed's pension and benefit reform proposals.

"Our business community need to support candidates like Pierluigi Oliverio and Rose Herrera because their common-sense approach is valuable in helping solve the severe challenges facing our city during its budget crisis," said Pat Sausedo, chamber senior vice president for public policy.

A native of San Jose, Oliverio attended San Jose schools, graduated from San Jose State University and has 15 years of high-tech experience within the semiconductor and software industries. Herrera, a native of East San Jose, was a community activist and has played a key role in preserving valued city services, improving road conditions and bringing jobs to San Jose.

"An early endorsement from the PAC isn't something we do easily or often," said Incoming PAC Chair Mark Waxman of CBIZ, "but both Rose and Pierluigi have demonstrated a commitment to sound fiscal policy that the business community believes is needed in order to ensure long-term economic stability for San Jose."

More endorsements will follow in the coming months. For more information, visit sjchamberpac.com.

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