

## **LEONARD ELY III:**

As a 66 year resident, of Palo Alto, I am compelled to try and make Palo Alto the City that my Grandmother, Father, myself and now my son grew up in and/or is growing up in a better functioning community. We seem to continually re-live the past and don't learn from it. We live in a town of innovators but can't seem to solve the problems that face us. I feel that my job as an elected official is to define the problem, find the solutions and move forward with the solution is best for the community as a whole. I will propose ideas that on the surface seem absurd, but my goal is the long run and not just to satisfy a vocal minority or for that matter a vocal majority if it flies in the face of long term disaster.

I believe that what I represent is Palo Alto. I have no agenda to try and trust upon the citizenry of Palo Alto. I just want to look for answers to the issues/opportunities that face our community.