

**Peninsula Dog PAC Questionnaire**

**1. Do you have a dog? If so, where are your favorite places to walk your dog on-leash and/or off-leash?**

Yes, we have a Standard Poodle. We walk him around our block, and also to the San Carlos Dog Park.

**2. San Carlos has 73 acres of open space trails in Big Canyon and Eaton parks. Dogs are allowed on-leash on these trails. Do you believe:**

- (a) There should be some off-leash trails.
- (b) The amount of off-leash trails (none) and on-leash (all) is just right.
- (c) There should be no off-leash trails and fewer on-leash trails.

**Please explain your choice.**

I support more dog parks, and potentially fenceable off-leash trails, but the problem with off-leash trails is the liability of dogs attacking or harassing other pedestrians, bicyclists and dogs and wildlife.

It's not safe for dogs to roam these areas due to proximity to streets, barb wire fences, mountain lions, etc.

**3. San Carlos Dog Park, Heather Dog Exercise Area, and City Hall Park permit dogs off-leash in these closed in areas. Do you believe:**

- (a) Additional parks and trails should allow dogs off-leash.
- (b) This is the right amount of off-leash dog parks for San Carlos.
- (c) One or more of these parks should no longer allow dogs off-leash.

**Please explain your choice.**

Yes, additional parks should allow dogs off-leash.

**4. Recognizing that over 40% of households in San Carlos have dogs, should schools in San Carlos allow people to walk dogs on-leash and/or off-leash on weekends and/or evenings when school is not in session? If so, which schools?**

In the past, my dog has really enjoyed running off leash in Burton Park and in school yards, but the negative is that dog poop in the grass then creates a health hazard and nuisance to the many people that play sports in the same grass.

Dogs should not be allowed to be off-leash on playgrounds or sport fields, where their poop is less likely to be picked up (being away from their owners).

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

I'm one of the Admins of the San Carlos Dog Park, Facebook Page. Here is my campaign website: [www.alexkent.org](http://www.alexkent.org)

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*Thank you for answering these questions. If you have any questions, contact Matthew Greenberg, PeninsulaDogPAC@gmail.com, (650) 400-1280*