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# Candidate Statement of Qualifications

**CITY OF IRVINE**  
**OFFICE SOUGHT: MAYOR**  
**WARD/DISTRICT: Not Applicable**

**NAME:** Gang Chen

**AGE (Optional):**

**OCCUPATION:** Architect/ Author/ Businessman

Irvine is a good city, however, there is definitely room for improvement. For example, Irvine's ranking on Money Magazine's "Best Places to Live" list dropped from No. 6 in 2012 to No. 14 in 2014. The main reasons for this are the traffic problems and housing prices.

I have been a resident of Irvine for 18 years. I am a Christian, a USC alumnus, a licensed architect in California, and an expert in LEED, green buildings and sustainable development.

I would be honored to have your vote. I am running for the Mayor of Irvine to make our city better. My campaign platform is one vision with three focuses. The vision I have for Irvine is to become a real first class city while still maintaining its unique features of having many parks and green spaces, nice architecture, and a relaxing family ranch feeling as well as being the safest city in the nation. My focuses are traffic, managed growth, and education.

Irvine does not belong to just Republicans or Democrats, but belongs to all of us. Let us work together to make Irvine better. See [GangChenUSA.com](http://GangChenUSA.com) for more information. Please send us your ideas via our website.