

Patrick Burt was raised in Santa Clara County by parents of public-school teachers. He had a career as high-tech entrepreneur and CEO, and environmental policy leader during which he served on the state EPA Pollution Prevention Task Force, Comparative Risk Project, and Environmental Technology Partnership, as well as the Santa Clara County Pollution Prevention Committee, and Sustainable San Mateo County.

Pat was a Planning and Transportation Commissioner for nine years and a Palo Alto Councilmember from 2008-2016 and 2021-present, with terms as Mayor in 2010, 2016, and 2022. He led on Palo Alto's climate protection and environmental initiatives, including its Renewable Energy Plan, 100% Carbon Neutral Electricity, Sustainability and Climate Action Plan (SCAP) for 80% reduction in GHG's by 2030, and its 2030 Carbon-Neutrality goal.

He previously served on the BCDC board and is currently on the VTA and Caltrain boards.