



LA Councilmember Paul Koretz is a longtime Angeleno who grew up in the San Fernando Valley, Mid-City, and on the Westside. He graduated from Hamilton High and UCLA.

He was first elected to the Los Angeles City Council in July 2009. He served on the Budget & Finance Committee for more than ten years, chaired the Audits & Government Efficiency Committee, and currently chairs the Personnel, Audits, & Animal Welfare Committee (the Committee that hears and advances the Controller's audits). While on the City Council, he has been a champion for high quality and efficient city services and fought to enact reforms that are saving the City millions of dollars, which could then be spent on more critical needs like reducing homelessness. He has developed a reputation as a fiscal watchdog who understands a complex city budget.

Koretz is working to end corruption in City Hall. He authored the ordinance to ban political contributions from developers, which will go into effect this June. He joined then-Councilmember David Ryu on his motion to create the Office of Anti-Corruption and Transparency, and continues to push for this badly-needed reform.

Koretz has dedicated his time on the City Council to solving our homelessness crisis, supporting and reforming law enforcement, improving fire safety, battling climate change and protecting our natural resources, maintaining human-scale development, and protecting animals from cruel practices. Councilmember Koretz has worked hard to protect the quality of life for residents by ensuring our streets are paved, our trees are trimmed, and our parks are maintained. He created the Administrative Citation Enforcement (ACE) program for better enforcement of quality of life issues, and led the City's efforts to fight Sacramento bills like SB9 and SB10, designed to take away local control of planning and zoning.