

Candidate Statement of Amanda Seward Running for Factual Basis Community Officer



Amanda Seward led the successful efforts to preserve Lincoln Place apartments in Venice. She authored the California State Historic Resource nomination, which was approved by the State Historic Commission in 2005 and prevented the complex from being demolished. After many tenants were evicted by the owner of the property, she took up the legal representation of the current tenants, successfully staving off their evictions. She is part of the team of attorneys who have negotiated the settlement with the owner of the property, which will see some of the evicted tenants returned and neighborhood friendly rehabilitation of the property.

In addition, she is a Board member of Beyond Baroque, the Venice literary and arts center. She was an elected member of the board of the first Mar Vista Community Council.

Ms. Seward received her JD from Georgetown University Law Center and received her BA in philosophy from Spelman College.