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Venice Neighborhood Council



Questions:

Please limit your answers to the 5 questions below to 200 words or less each.

1) Please explain why you wish to serve on the Neighborhood Committee:

I would like to serve on the VNC Neighborhood Committee for a few reasons. I live and work within in the community and plan on continuing long period of time. I believe if one has a stake in a community then it is extremely important for individuals to take and active role in helping to preserve and grow your community and to be a part of the collective groups working on solving the multiple issues that communities and neighborhoods as whole are faced with. In addition I believe that through out our country decisions are made from high up for individuals, companies, citizens, neighborhoods & etc., but some of the best plans, decisions, and ideas are created and manifested at the grass roots level.

2) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement:

I take and active role in the Ven-Mar Neighborhood Association, attend and help with events organized by the Heal the Bay and other environmental groups that are staged in our community. In the past I have served on the VNC Neighborhood Committee. I have attended, been a part of and consistently stay tuned to all of the political races and politicians who represent our neighborhoods from the neighborhood through the federal level. I continue to attend multiple artistic & business sponsored events that are staged through out the community.



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3) Please list the three most pressing issues you feel are facing the Venice Community:

I feel the three most pressing issues for the Venice community are environmental sustainability and pollution control and reduction, land use & development and homelessness.

4) This committee shall promote greater awareness of available City resources and services and act as a conduit between the Board and Venice neighborhoods, assisting in community outreach and bringing neighborhood issues to the attention of the Board. How do you plan to fulfill this obligation?

First and foremost I will door knock the entire community and personally introduce myself and share with each citizen what we do. In addition I will create a hotline and latter a web page for my neighborhood to contact me and discuss any issues, ideas and also to keep the neighborhood informed on what is happening and what resources are out there for them. Once a month or quarterly I will host a round table with anyone in our neighborhood to keep everyone up to date and informed on any and all topics.



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5) What is your Vision for Venice?

My vision for Venice is one where Venice is helping lead the way through out Los Angeles and Southern California in community education, programs and standards through environmental sustainability and pollution control. My vision of Venice is one that is for everyone not just the rich, or the owner, or a single race, religion or nationality. My vision of Venice is one of a healthy community with both local business owners and organizations operating and a business community that is well balance and not at the mercy of national corporations. I visualize a Venice that becomes and leader in managing homelessness issues and taking a stake in the ongoing city planning of the broader issue. My vision of Venice is one that embraces its beach community roots, realizes that growth is an issue that is here to stay and works diligently within itself and surrounding communities to tackle the pressing problems of land use, and works toward preserving a well balance neighborhood cityscape, skyline and density. My vision of Venice is one where people can move comfortably by way of automotives, but works diligently to gets us out of cars in on our feet, bikes, skateboards and roller blades. My vision of Venice is healthy community for the people and by the people.

Thank You for Volunteering to Help Our Community!