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

Participating in the public process is an opportunity to make a positive impact. I am concerned with issues related to Venice in general and my neighborhood specifically. The impact on our neighborhoods of continued development needs to be addressed in a thoughtful, proactive way. Our President's Row Neighborhood Assn. has not been involved with the neighborhood council and I think providing a link between residents and the council would be of benefit.

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

I frequently attend neighborhood council meetings and have served as an informal "block captain" of my street. Additionally, I co-chair the donor development committee of Ocean Charter School, a public LAUSD charter school. I organize community events related to art, architecture and design in my work as a public relations consultant.

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

1. Traffic
2. Development
3. Inclusion

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?

I would communicate with my neighbors and business contacts about issues facing our neighborhood and about the resources that could contribute to solutions and address concerns. I would draw on my experience in public relations in the design, architecture and art world.

5) What is your Vision for Venice?

My vision for Venice is a thriving eclectic community, one that looks and feels like the community that attracts so many of us to live here in the first place. I believe that through intention and planning we can continue to develop as a community in a positive way.

Thank You for Volunteering to Help Our Community!



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NEIGHBORHOOD COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Instructions:

Stakeholders that wish to be considered for a seat on the Neighborhood Committee of the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) must complete the following form and return it to the Secretary of the VNC no later than 9 pm on November 9th, 2007.

Applications may be returned either by email to secretary@grvnc.org, by fax to 310-606-2015 or by mail to: Venice Neighborhood Council, PO Box 550, Venice, CA 90294.

Optionally, applicants may also email a copy of this application to board@grvnc.org if they wish to make public their answers before November 9th and give the board more time to review their application.

The Board will select Neighborhood Committee members at their November 20st, 2007, board meeting held at Westminster Elementary School, 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, starting at 7pm. Applicants are encouraged to attend; no representatives will be permitted to speak for the applicant. Full election rules and completed applications will be posted at www.VeniceNC.org/Apply and are available at the Venice Library, 501 S. Venice Blvd.

Applicant's name and answers to these questions will be made public, but not contact information such as address, phone number and email address.

VNC Bylaws, ARTICLE VII B.

"Neighborhood Committee: Chaired by the Vice President. Using the eight (8) existing neighborhoods defined in the Venice Specific Plan plus the additional neighborhood east of Lincoln Boulevard as a guide, the Committee shall consist of, at a minimum, nine (9) Stakeholders, one (1) from each neighborhood, plus the Chair. Nine (9) Neighborhood Committee members shall be elected by the Board of Officers from a list of candidates who have formally communicated to the Board their desire to serve on the Neighborhood Committee. The Board shall, within thirty (30) days after beginning their term, hold a Board of Officers meeting for the election of Neighborhood Committee members. The candidate with the highest vote totals in each of the nine (9) districts shall be elected. Other neighborhoods and/or Stakeholders representing other neighborhoods or neighborhood interests may be added at the discretion of the Neighborhood Committee. The 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."