

## Candidate Statement of Mariana Aguilar Running for At-Large Community Officer



I am an 8-year resident of Venice and have lived both East and West of Lincoln. I served on the VNC Ad Hoc Committee on Homelessness and Vehicular Occupation and acted as a Block Captain for my street. I believe that the opinions of each of my neighbors are important, that LAPD staffing in Venice should be increased, that Venice residents deserve the same protections and consideration that other City of Los Angeles residents enjoy, and that the Venice Specific Plan should be strictly enforced with limited exceptions.

The VNC is our Neighborhood Council. Its focus should be listening to Venice residents' needs and concerns (e.g. safety, development, parking) and then working as a team to find solutions for those problems.

I graduated from Cornell in 1997 and USC Law in 2000. Currently, I work as a labor and employment lawyer at a law firm in Century City.