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LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE COMMITTEE APPLICATION (2023-2025 Term)

Deadline: August 10, 2023

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- 1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

I wish to apply for this 2nd term to LUPC to connect with and serve my community. I have been a resident of Venice since 1995, and am grateful to be part of it. With all the issues we are facing, homelessness, lack of housing, I believe we need to concentrate our effort into connecting with Venicians and create a movement to better serve our community.

- 2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

Relevant to LUPC, I submit plans to the city and work as an Interior Architect based in Venice. I do have some knowledge in the submittal process and coastal commission. I may be a great asset to LUPC to communicate and help stake holders with projects, as well as planning.

- 3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects? Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

As a past LUPC member, I had the chance already to attend many LUPC meetings, and connecting with applicants to review their projects and present to the community. I have done the balancing already, and i think i can continue doing so.

- 4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

LUPC member 2021-2023 / attending meetings at Coastal commission etc...

- 5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

The most critical issues is the lack of housing and anything linked to it, homelessness, safety.



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After living in Venice for many years, occasionally getting some insight into the work of LUPC, I would now like to contribute more fully to the work of improving the neighborhood and work on facilitating the work on land use and planning issues impacting my neighborhood.

- 2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

I am an Architect educated in Los Angeles with a previous background in History of Architecture and Art History. I have 25 years of work experience, split between current work on residential design and previous work on museum design. I am skilled in Architectural Design,- plan review and submittals, as well as Sustainability (with LEED Green Associate credentials). This professional expertise would be beneficial serving on LUPC.

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I have worked on this balance for years. My set-up, working part time locally, allows me to take on committee work. If I am selected to join LUPC, I am changing one of my current commitments on an AIA committee in Los Angeles. The time freed-up will be allocated to work for LUPC. I believe that this will a realistic time commitment. If not, I will find time in other areas to make sure to provide sufficient time to the work on LUPC.

- 4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

When our architecture office was located on Abbot Kinney for 6.5 years, we regularly hosted art shows in our office and opened the doors for the public for various neighborhood events. Today, my involvement has been less as I have been involved with AIA architecture committees in larger Los Angeles, such as recently organizing and serving as a docent for an Art District redevelopment our. I would like to put more of my community involvement time into my Venice neighborhood during the next few years.

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Providing input into the work on the updated Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan is the most important work which could positively impact the neighborhood in the future. It's update is long overdue and it has the chance to address current issues of density, traffic, housing and even seal level related issues. In addition, I believe that the ongoing work on a project-by-project level for the projects proposed in the neighborhood is of high importance to the neighborhood.



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- 5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

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**Venice Neighborhood Council
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Application Questionnaire – Adam Cowing**

(1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

I love living in Venice. I decided to make it my home because of its diverse people, incredible weather, and wonderful neighborhoods. I also appreciate that Venice has become a place where our city's most pressing issues – like homelessness and inequality - are pronounced. I want to play a role in receiving input from the public and making recommendations to the VNC as to how we plan and build in our community in the context of these issues. I believe that land use and planning decisions are critical for shaping our community and have significant impacts on people's lives. More generally, I want to serve my community and believe that I have a useful background for serving on the LUPC.

(2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

I am an attorney and law professor specializing in affordable housing and land use policy. I appreciate how land use and planning decisions affect our community and its people, and believe that engaging in these issues is critical. In addition to knowledge of relevant laws and policies, I have practical experience, having previously represented many affordable housing developers as a lawyer in private practice. Lastly, I have lived in the area for roughly a decade and appreciate how land use and planning decisions affect our community and its people.

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I am fortunate to have flexibility in my professional life as a law professor. I also do not have kids, so my schedule is relatively flexible (beyond caring for my dog!). Moreover, the work of the LUPC is directly relevant to my professional work. This is an area I care deeply about, professionally and personally. I will make time.

(4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

- Volunteer, Venice Community Housing
- Mentor, Year Up (West LA)
- Former Staff Attorney, Public Counsel (nonprofit legal organization)

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(5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice community.

I believe that expanding housing for all income levels is the most critical planning and land use issue affecting the Venice community. While I understand that many in our community may be concerned with neighborhood change, I also believe that building more housing, accessible to people at all income levels, is critical to combatting homelessness and maintaining Venice's character as a diverse and vibrant community. How and where we build matters. But it is critical that our community plays its role in expanding the supply of housing needed in our city and our state. This is the only way we can respond to a shortage of affordable housing that is affecting our entire city but affects Venice acutely.



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Having grown up in the LA area, I've always felt a sense of pride for our city and the character of its various neighborhoods. Now as an adult, I feel an even greater investment in making sure our communities are a desirable & comfortable place to live. Venice, like the rest of LA, is quickly evolving and I feel passionate about being an advocate for the community and a participant in its future.

- 2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

I am a California licensed architect, with a Bachelor of Architecture from Cornell University and a Master of Architecture & Urbanism from the Architectural Association School in London. Throughout my career as an architect, spanning over 12 years, I've worked on various scales of projects ranging from larger commercial projects to modest single family homes. All of these have required thoughtful & careful analysis of local codes as well as sensitivity towards environmental issues and the local neighborhood fabric. I've presented projects before LUPC in the past and have an appreciation for the process and unique challenges that may come up in Venice.

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Most of my work life and personal life is based in and around the Venice community. Because of this, it is not difficult for me to incorporate the requirements of LUPC participation and I have the added flexibility of being a business owner and managing my own schedule.

- 4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

I've attended and presented at Venice Neighborhood Council meetings in the past, and currently participate in a local community-based organization called Venice Photo Club, which brings together the artist community for workshops & education opportunities. Through my involvement as a participant in this, I was inspired to spearhead the Venice Design Club, which is a monthly meetup for local designers, makers, and construction industry professionals, with the intent of providing a platform to spotlight local talent and support one another.

- 5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

The housing shortage is of course one of the primary challenges, and as we build new housing, continue to take into consideration how these developments will contribute to the overall quality, experience, and safety of the neighborhood. The other important issue facing Venice is the impact of climate change and the way that rising sea levels may affect existing and future developments.



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1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

My family built and has owned apartments here for over 40 years. I've lived in Venice and in other parts of LA. I've seen development that is good, that appreciates the growing needs of our population, and I've seen some that doesn't. We're at an important point in Land Use planning for Venice, with State and local pressures and the new Community and Coastal Plans to be developed. My professional experience in land use and my personal familiarity and care for Venice, can help bring about better decisions for the community.

2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

My work is as a industrial / commercial broker in the Valley. I've built projects ground up, from design through permitting and construction. I've dealt with lot splits, parcel maps, off site dedications, plan check... It isn't an easy process but having done it, I've learned a great deal about what works and what doesn't. What is appropriate to a site and the community, and what should be modified. That experience will enable me to evaluate projects being brought to LUPC as well as to give constructive input into the development of the new Community Plan.

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I don't see the time commitment as a problem. I'm an empty nester; my daughter is in college, so after school activities aren't taking up my time. I work 9 to 5 but with flexibility. I'm active but organized and stay on top of commitments. Serving on LUPC would be a top priority. My experience with property matters will enable me to evaluate and draft staff reports more readily than might be true for others with less experience.

4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

Assisting in managing our family apartment buildings on Ocean Front Walk particularly navigating these recent years, has given me, like most Venetians, a new level of neighborhood and community involvement.

I've been concerned by the lack of transparency by City and County decision makers as well as pressures and legislation being imposed by State lawmakers.

Specifically, I am opposed to the proposed Venice Dell Project for numerous reasons including its failure to comply with CEQA, zoning, mass, traffic, road safety, open space needs present and future environmental issues that affect our unique coastal community and access for all to the

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beach. Transparency, outreach, evaluations and legal procedures should not be skirted in the name of increased housing density nor for any reason.

Having served on the VNC Preserving Public Places Committee, I've seen the power the VNC can have when we join together to better the community. By researching, analyzing and exposing the controlling documents, we prevented County's proposed (exorbitantly expensive) demolition of the Venice Lifeguard Station tower, as the Venice community overwhelmingly supports.

Repurposing existing buildings also looks to be a far for efficient means to realize housing goals.

5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

Developing the new Venice Community and Coastal Development Plans will have far reaching implications for the liveability, bikeability, walkability, affordability, safety and enjoyment of all Venetians. We may need to challenge State or City assumptions where they do not reflect Venice's realities or interests and propose better solutions.

Additionally, the ongoing work of LUPC of evaluating the suitability of projects, encouraging outreach dialogues with neighbors, interfacing with the VNC Board and Planning Department is crucial to realizing development that is good for the community.



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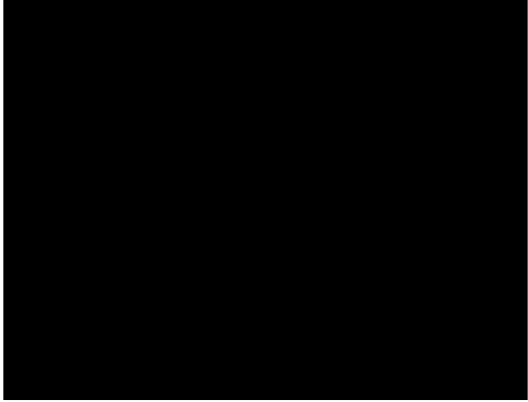
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As a long time resident, 35 years, and as a trained and practicing architect with a former teaching positions at the Department of Architecture and urban Planning at UCLA and the College of Environmental Design at UC Berkeley, + 40years, I would like to lend my expertise and passion to the wellbeing of the unique neighbor hood of Venice on the Beach. I have seen the many shades of developments over the last decades and witnesses the changes both in population and the urban fabric of our neighborhoods.

As now retired yet sporadically active architect I would like to give back time to my unique neighborhood

2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

As mentioned before I have taught architecture and urban planning in two prestigious departments of architecture and Urban planning. As an architect I have planned and executed housing projects, planning proposals, commercial, institutional and residential architecture in four continents

In my local architectural work I have planned and executed several housing and residential projects in Venice, like Live work on Abbott Kinney, Residences in the Canals and on the Beach. As an academic I explored several housing studies on Los Angeles and Venice in particular, as well as directly advised students with projects that dealt with the Venice neighborhoods.

I have been working in the role of an architect working for clients and developers in Venice and Los Angeles. I am a home owner and stake holder in the community of Venice. I am a developer of my own properties in the Canals of Venice and I am benefiting from the good and bad land use decisions happening to the freshest place on the West coast.

3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects? Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

As retired of 2019 I will have time and willingness to attend meetings twice per month, the occasional times when traveling usually in the Fall, I hope to catch up on projects by conferring with members on the committee or participate in remote video conferencing. I am very familiar with our neighbor hood and know most projects built in the last decades and currently.

4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

I was previously involved in informal roundtables on the planning issues of Venice, with Ira Koslov, Dan Novac, Joe Murphy and others meeting at the Canal Club, 2010 or so.

I am involved on an informal way on petitions and projects that would benefit our neighborhood.

Unsuccessfully tried to organize a design committee among local architect to lessen the strain of overdevelopment in Venice; a committee that could self regulate projects and planning to achieve a more balanced neighbor hood.

5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

I Like to strengthen the unique character that embodies Venice, from the uncontrolled funkiness of the boardwalk to the tranquility of the walk streets and the canals. There is no other neighborhood in Los Angeles that has this variety of urban character, variety of streets, variety in scale and architectural character.

This character needs to be protected from course and modernist zoning that has run its course. These assumptions need to be replaced by a fine and intelligent zoning overlay. One that takes into the account the historic and environmental fabric that embraces the coastline and breathes fresh and innovative air onto the whole of our region and beyond. The millions of tourist that enjoy our beach community are evidence that the unclassifiable neighborhood is sought after as an urban space unlike others. One that is open minded, involves community involvement, preservation of architectural character and serves its inhabitants as well as visitors.

Venice has one of the high-test concentration of architect designed building in the whole of the United states, more modern style and unique buildings are dotting our streets and alley ways. Our community, with its variety of drive streets, walk streets, canals streets and beach promenades act as a reminder that individual variety of style and scale can lead to a healthy non conforming environment, a respite from the cookie cutter development representing maxed out building envelopes and by right design directives given.

I am an active walker of the streets of Venice and delight in the opportunities Venice offers as a small scale neighborhood, from the variety of pedestrian and pedaling experiences it present quite a unique network of accessible experiences that involve commercial and residential development alike. While over-densification and rough planning overlays are the bane of the whole of Los Angeles Neighborhoods, the uniqueness of Venice faces an undue burden of for money-development for living and commercial exploitation.

The funkiness, the style, the color, the variety of people living here, the spicy flavor of Venice will undoubtable change if the continuous trend of current developments in fashionable grey color and over-scaled hedge fund financed empty mansions continues.



PATRICK MCKINLEY

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First Name:	Last Name:	Phone: [REDACTED]
Street Address: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]	
City: [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]

I hereby certify, that I wish to serve on the Land Use and Planning Committee of the Venice Neighborhood Council and I am a Stakeholder within the boundaries of the VNC area.

Stakeholder Signature: _____ [REDACTED] _____ Date: _____

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CHRISTOPHER MCLEAN



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First Name: Christopher	Last Name: McLean	Phone: [REDACTED]
Street Address: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]	
City: [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]

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Stakeholder Signature: [REDACTED]

Date: 8/9/23

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Applicant Questionnaire:

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- 1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

I am currently a board member of LUPC and have a great appreciation for giving back to the community. I have also been a resident of Venice for a decade now and call it home. I see Venice as one of the more important and unique communities in the world due to its rich cultural history. Venice has had, and continues to have, a lot of issues as time moves on. As a local architect, I wish to use my professional skills and experience to provide support in to the board in reviewing complex projects and larger planning issues that impact the community.

- 2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

As noted above I have over a decade of experience working on architectural projects and permitting in Venice. I hold a Bachelor of Architecture professional degree from the University of Oregon where I trained in architecture with additional focus on urban planning and sustainability. I have been on LUPC for a year and have personally worked on countless projects in the Coastal Zone giving me immense first hand experience of the process.

- 3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects? Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

I am familiar with the time commitment after being on the board for a year. Being a business owner gives me the flexibility to schedule business meetings that allocate proper time to LUPC meetings and tasks.

- 4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

I have sat in on numerous LUPC and VNC meetings. I have also been on numerous beach cleanups.

- 5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

Housing Stock and Rental Costs continue to be the biggest issue in Venice being that it is greatly changing the cultural landscape of Venice.

The Venice Land Use and Specific plans restructuring will play a critical role in the future of Venice.

Sustainability and environmental protection and sea level rise - Venice is often seen as a unhealthy environment characterized by pollution, and as sea level rise continues due to carbon emissions we will begin to see major issues with increased flood zones and/or flood related issues. This should be addressed at this time.



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First Name: Mehrnoosh	Last Name: Mojallali	Phone: [REDACTED]
Street Address: [REDACTED]		Email: [REDACTED]
City: [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]

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Date: July 31/2023
 Stakeholder Signature _____

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Applicant Questionnaire:

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- 1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

I served as a LUPC member from 2012 to 2023.

As a Venice residence since 1983, I appreciate being involved and want to serve my community and further learn about changes and requirements. My interest is in the ways that enhance and transform Venice's unique qualities and needs.

- 2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

As an Architect-Urban Designer, I received master's degree from Harvard University. I have passion and interest to see that public spaces are to be enhanced and safe to serve the culture and our communities. Since 1984, I have been principle of my own firm in Venice. In addition to doing projects overseas, I have done multi famiy, commercial and single-family residence in various neighborhood in Venice. In the past, I received a certificate of appreciation for a multifamily project in Venice from council for outstanding citizenship and enhancing community betterment. I have also, vountarily designed for a Community Center/Dog Park , Windward Circle Fountain and a new Pier @ Rose Ave.

- 3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects? Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

Based on my past and present experiences, I know that meetings are twice a month. There has been many changes and every project took additional time to manage the cases for community meetings. Also, to review of regulations and coordinate work with the representatives to prepare staff reports and schedule presentations at LUPC, VNC, and coastal commmission meeting as needed . It all works will regarding my personal life as well.

- 4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

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- 5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

Lack of affordable housing. lack of cultural aminities as well as homeless issues/care and housing. Also, utilizing public spaces to serve social needs and encourage public participation in various ways.

MARGARET MOLLOY



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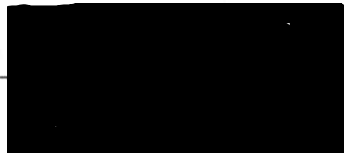
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First Name: Margaret	Last Name: molloy	Phone: [REDACTED]
Street Address [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]	
City [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]

I hereby certify, that I wish to serve on the Land Use and Planning Committee of the Venice Neighborhood Council and I am a Stakeholder within the boundaries of the VNC area.

Stakeholder Signature: _____



Date: 8/10/2023

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Applicant Questionnaire:

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1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

I arrived in Venice in 1979 and was a longtime resident but now live in [REDACTED]. I support stable multi-generational communities. As such, I've been a member of Original Save Venice (formally Save Venice) since 2016. This group advocates for recognition of Black and Indigenous history in Venice; preservation of Venice's historic cultural, ethnic and socioeconomic diversity; preservation of existing affordable housing and development of new affordable housing; coastal access for all includes housing access; and residential and commercial development of a scale that supports the multi-generational community and generations to come.

2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

Extensive research in Venice land use issues, especially issues specific to development in the coastal zone. Research on Venice Black history. Support for Original Save Venice's successful historic designation application for First Baptist Church of Venice and support for HCM designation for the New Bethel Church.

3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects? Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

I work freelance and have an adaptable schedule.

4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

As a member of the all-volunteer community group Original Save Venice (OSV), OSV has presented a Venice Black History photo exhibit and related-community events annually at the Venice Abbot Kinney Memorial Library (except during Covid closure) since 2016, as well as related events at the Vera Davis Center and Beyond Baroque. I submit photography and occasional articles to the Venice Beachhead, another all-volunteer Venice institution. And more Member of the community group Original Save Venice (OSV) since 2016. OSV has presented Venice Black History photo exhibit and related-community events during February for Black History Month at the Venice Abbot Kinney Library annually since 2016 (except for Covid closure) du

As a member of the all-volunteer community group Original Save Venice (OSV) we work to promote recognition of Black and Indigenous history in Venice, for equity and social justice, affordable housing coastal access for all, and more. Since 2016 OSV has presented an annual Venice Black History photo exhibit and related-community events at the Venice Abbot Kinney Memorial Library (except during Co closure), Vera Davis Center, and Beyond Baroque. I also submit photography and occasional articles to the Venice Beachhead, another all-volunteer Venice institution.

) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

Over development of out-of-scale commercial projects that irreparably impact the Venice residential community with disproportionate negative impacts on the historic Oakwood community.

Over development of out-of-scale commercial projects that irreparably impact the Venice residential community with disproportionate negative impacts on the historic Oakwood community. Ugly McMan replacing multi-unit housing including RSO units throughout Venice. We need community-first development.

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ANDREAS RAMANI

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City: [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]

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- 1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

I am a long time Venice resident, and I care deeply about my community. My children go to school in Venice, and my family's life revolves around this community. I am aware that housing regulations are changing in California from the state down, and I want to insure that that our communities character and values are protected in the porocess.

- 2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

I work in real estare with a focus on single family home sales, generally with first time home buyers in the Venice area.

- 3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects? Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

I balance my work with being an at home dad. The LUPC work requirements will be no pro blem for me.

- 4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

I started the President's Row Neighborhood Group. And I have been actively involved in my children's t

- 5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

State regulations that supercede local control.



ROBIN RUDISILL

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First Name: <u>Robin</u>	Last Name: <u>Rudisill</u>	Phone: [REDACTED]
Street Address: [REDACTED]		
City: [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]

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Stakeholder Signature: [REDACTED] Date: 8-9-23

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- 1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

I have a depth of knowledge and experience with Venice land use issues and with City Planning and Coastal Commission policies and procedures. There is also much new legislation and pending legislation affecting land use in the state and specifically in the Coastal Zone, which I have been closely following. I can provide valuable insight and needed hard work on those issues and in working with the community to help steer Venice on the best possible path in these challenging times.

- 2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

My financial and regulatory background helps me understand the complex city and state regulations, reports and requirements. My systems and process experience enables me to easily spot problems and discrepancies and come up with solutions for improvement.

- 3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects. Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

In addition to the twice monthly meetings, it's important to also attend the VNC Board meetings and various city and state hearings. There will also be community meetings and analysis of cases and issues on an ongoing basis. I work at home and am willing and able to devote time to all of this and serve my community.

- 4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

I was on the VNC Neighborhood Committee for several years prior to serving on the Venice LUPC for 2 ¾ years, 2 years as Chair and ¾ year as Secretary. I was on the VNC Board for the two years I was LUPC Chair. I have been on the Ocean Front Walk Committee for several years. I am currently on the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board and am Land Use Chair.

- 5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

- Ongoing loss of affordable/RSO housing and the homelessness crisis
- Local Coastal Program (LCP) and Venice Community Plan (includes east Venice)
- Recovering from prior Councilmember's poor decisions and lack of respect for the Venice Community and VNC's recommendations, including the Venice Median project, which I strongly oppose.



GRAHAM SANDELSKI

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Stakeholder Signature: [REDACTED]

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GABRIEL SMITH

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First Name: GABRIEL	Last Name: SMITH	Phone: [REDACTED]
Street Address: [REDACTED]		Email: [REDACTED]
City: [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]

I hereby certify, that I wish to serve on the Land Use and Planning Committee of the Venice Neighborhood Council and I am a Stakeholder within the boundaries of the VNC area.

Stakeholder Signature _____



Date: 08/08/2023

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GABRIEL SMITH

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Applicant Questionnaire:

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1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

CONCERNED W/ OVER-CROWDING, OVER-DENSIFICATION,
AND OVER-DEVELOPMENT.

2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

REAL ESTATE, CONSTRUCTION, PROPERTY MANAGEMENT.
I WORK IN INSURANCE NOW.

3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects? Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

I ALWAYS FIND THE TIME.

4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

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5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

OVER-CROWDING, OVER-DENSIFICATION,
TOO MUCH DEVELOPMENT.

RICHARD STANGER



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First Name: Richard	Last Name: Stanger	Phone: [REDACTED]
Street Address [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]	
City [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]

I hereby certify, that I wish to serve on the Land Use and Planning Committee of the Venice Neighborhood Council and I am a Stakeholder within the boundaries of the VNC area.

Stakeholder Signature [REDACTED]

Date: 8/5/2023

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RICHARD STANGER

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Applicant Questionnaire:

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

1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

I have lived in Venice since 1985 and have a strong interest in this designated Special Coastal Community.

I have been actively involved in project development, land use, and planning issues in Venice for six years. Initially my involvement was as a homeowner in my Silver Triangle neighborhood of Venice, but for four years I was a founding board member of Citizens Preserving Venice, a group interest in land use and planning issues affecting the neighborhoods of Venice.

I am very familiar with City Planning's project approval process for projects, with the Venice Land Use and Community Plans, and with the Coastal Commission approval process and its decisions related to the Venice Coastal Zone.

2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

I have a Master's Degree in City Planning and a Master's Degree in Transportation Engineering. My career was in the planning and development of rail transit systems. Since moving in 1983 to Los Angeles, I was initially head of rail planning/development, then in 1990 became the CEO of the 5-county Metrolink system. (I left that position in 1999 and was a consultant for a decade or so afterwards.) In planning rail projects a great deal of time is spent dealing with local neighborhoods planning issues, so such issues were always present. I have a life-long interest in urban planning both from the policy and neighborhood perspective.

For the last 19 years I have also volunteered weekly with Habitat for Humanity building homes in Los Angeles, so I am directly familiar with issue/requirements/skills in building homes.

3) The time commitment involved with building homes in LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects. Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

I am retired, so I will have time to dedicate to LUPC. I have been to LUPC meetings on occasion and am familiar with what it does. I have a lot of experience preparing evaluations of proposed projects as part of my work with Citizens Preserving Venice and prior to that as an involved citizen. Nothing LUPC members are supposed to do is unfamiliar to me.

4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood community involvement.

As noted previously, I have been actively involved in monitoring projects in Venice, first as a homeowner interested in my neighborhood. For four years I was a member of Citizens Preserving Venice. I have been very involved in monitoring proposed projects, and tracking progress by City Planning on its updating of Venice's Community Plans, and in the updating of the Venice Land Use Plan and the draft Coastal Implementation Plan.

5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

There are two main ones: the update of the Venice Land Use Plan and Implementation Plan, and the update of the Venice Community Plan. These two Plan updates will determine how Venice develops at least over the next decade or two. There is also an on-going need to make sure that proposed projects conform with existing planning requirements and that they protect the density, affordable living units, and character of Venice.



IAN SVILOKOS

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First Name: Ian	Last Name: Svilkos	Phone: [REDACTED]
Street Address: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]	
City: [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]

I hereby certify, that I wish to serve on the Land Use and Planning Committee of the Venice Neighborhood Council and I am a Stakeholder within the boundaries of the VNC area.

Stakeholder Signature: [REDACTED] Date: 8/10/23

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Applicant Questionnaire:

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- 1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

After renting in Venice for the past eight years (since I've relocated to LA), I have reach a point where I have an understanding of what makes each part of our neighborhood unique. This knowledge, coupled with the fortune of having received a great architectural education / experience, led me to think that it is time to start sharing / giving my time as a professional to my community. I also think it is important for younger generations to have a presence in local government, which tends not be common. I honestly do not think I would have been prepared well enough before this time in my life (my young 30s), but I hope that I can be that representation of a younger generation.

- 2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

I am a licensed architect with a master's degree from Yale University and have been practicing architecture in LA since 2015. Reading community plans, interpreting zoning code, reviewing project proposals, and visiting sites are my daily responsibilities as a professional. I have had the opportunity to work on many projects as a professional, but have specifically completed affordable housing projects, market rate housing projects, and commercial tenant spaces which I believe will all be an integral part of the future development of our Venice neighborhood. On a personal level, I've also had the opportunity to travel to and study various neighborhoods, towns and cities across the globe, seeing and experiencing successful (and unsuccessful) planning strategies.

- 3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects? Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

I have the privilege of owning and operating my own architecture firm, so I am able to set my own work schedule - making time for my responsibilities with the LUPC will be easily manageable.

(Please note that I have a previously planned trip to visit my family out of state on the evening of the VNC board meeting (08/15) and apologize for not being able to be present.)

- 4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

- continuing support of VCH
- attending communities events (Louver Gallery openings, Grunyon run, GrISwirl events,
- BLM marches in 2020
- voting in VNC elections

- 5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

- people experiencing homelessness
- empty lots / underutilized properties
- preservation of neighborhood character while integrating adaptive reuse strategies
- tree canopy, native landscaping and composting
- intelligent and compassionate urban densification
- sea level rise (the other issues on my list are more immediate, but this will likely always be an issue in our lifetimes)
- supporting / developing businesses that serve the local community vs businesses that act as destinations

STEVE WILLIAMS



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Street Address: [REDACTED]		
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STEVE WILLIAMS

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- 1) Please explain why you wish to serve on LUPC.

I wish to serve on the LUPC to ensure that the planning documents written for Venice are followed, and that future development in Venice considers and respects the unique and diverse southern CA beach community of Venice.

- 2) Please state your professional qualifications or related life experience relevant to serving on LUPC.

I am a conservation biologist and licensed landscaping contractor. As a biologist, I have written comment letters regarding potential environmental impacts of proposed projects in the Santa Monica Mountains. I also have tracked and intermittently participated in Venice land use issues meetings and hearings for over 12 years.

- 3) The time commitment involved with LUPC will require your attendance at LUPC meetings twice per month, visiting with applicants at projects in Venice, and drafting staff reports for projects? Please describe how you will balance this with your work and personal life.

My work is not full time...it tends to be seasonal and episodic, so should not be a problem.

- 4) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

I have attended LUPC and VNC meetings intermittently over the last twelve years. I am a longterm volunteer with LA Chapter of Surfrider Foundation. I organized volunteers to install the Ocean Friendly Garden at Beyond Baroque about 10 years ago and continue to organize occasional volunteer maintenance workdays there.

- 5) Please list the most critical planning and land use issues you feel are facing the Venice Community.

1. Loss of economically diverse housing and businesses 2. No protection for historic homes and courtyard apartments 3. Loss of yards/habitat/trees from demolition/ lot buildouts 4. Loss of views and sunny/plantable areas for neighbors of tall lot buildouts.