



Venice Neighborhood Council



VNC Community Officer Application

Instructions: Stakeholders (those who live, work, or own property within the VNC boundaries) are welcomed to apply for consideration for an Officer's position on the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) Board of Officers. Nominations are opened at specified by the President at which time applications will be available online at <https://VeniceNC.org/Rules>. All application must be returned to Rules@VeniceNC.org and copied to Secretary@VeniceNC.org on or before the closing date and time which is published on the Rules webpage. The Board will select a new member at the following Board Meeting as described in the posted meeting agenda. Applicants need to show proof that they are stakeholders with their application and will give a short presentation at the Board meeting. No representatives will be permitted to speak for the applicant.

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 MISSION STATEMENT: To improve the quality of life in Venice by building community and to secure support from the City of Los Angeles for the resources needed to achieve our goals.

It is strongly recommended that you review the VNC bylaws before applying. They can be found on the VNC website at <http://www.venicenc.org/Rules>

Additionally, Los Angeles City, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment requires the following trainings are completed prior to Community Officer participation on the Board of Officers: Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct, and Anti-Bias trainings. The time required to complete these four courses is about 10 hours and must be refreshed every two years.



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VNC BOARD APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY OFFICER

Contact Information:

Qualifying Stakeholder Address (*Dirección*):

Print Name/ <i>Nombre en letra de Molde</i> : Oliver Fries			
[Redacted]			CA 90292
Street address / <i>Dirección</i>	City / <i>Ciudad</i>	State / <i>Estado</i>	Zip/ <i>Código Postal</i>

Mailing Address (if different):

[Redacted]			
Street address / <i>Dirección</i>	City / <i>Ciudad</i>	State / <i>Estado</i>	Zip/ <i>Código Postal</i>

Contact Numbers:

[Redacted]		
Phone (Day) / <i>Teléfono (día)</i>	Phone (Evening) / <i>Teléfono (tardé)</i>	Fax Number
[Redacted]		
Email / <i>Correo Electrónico</i> (very important)		

I hereby certify, that I wish to serve as Community Officer on the Venice Neighborhood Council Board of Officers and I live, work, or own property within the boundaries of the VNC area.

Stakeholder Signature/*Firma* Oliver Fries Date 11/10/22



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Answer all these questions; please limit your answers to 100 words or less each.

Questions:

- 1) Please explain why you wish to serve as the VNC Community Officer.
 - a) Have you served before on the VNC Board or other Neighborhood Council Board? If so, where and when?
 - b) Have you served on a VNC Committee? Which one and for how long?
 - c) Please state your professional qualifications or related experience relevant to this position.
 - d) How long have you been a stakeholder in the VNC area?
- 2) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.
- 3) Please list the three most pressing issues that you feel are facing the Venice Community.
- 4) What do you see as the primary roles of the Venice Neighborhood Council?
- 5) What is your Vision for Venice?
- 6) If not selected, are you willing to participate in a VNC committee? Which committee interest you and why?

Oliver Fries
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1. I would like to finish my term as Venice Neighborhood Councilman. I was elected in the 2021 race and held the seat as community officer. I have enjoyed serving Venice as well as enjoyed being a resident of Venice since 2012. I hope to be allowed to finish my duty to my community. I have chaired the Rules and Selection committee and intend to step into this role to finish the task.
2. I served as a member of the Venice Neighborhood Council and served on the board of the Venice Chamber of Commerce.
3. The most pressing issues Venice needs to address is homelessness, residents' safety, and cleanliness for both residents and businesses that call Venice home.
4. The primary role of the Venice Neighborhood council is to serve the Venice constituents to the best of the council's ability. The council should understand the needs of the community and enact change.
5. Venice is a vibrant, creative part of Los Angeles. I hope Venice can become the example for all neighborhoods in Los Angeles for its growth and ability to adapt to current times.
6. If I am not selected, I will serve my community as an engaged citizen assisting the men and women in the neighborhood council in any capacity.