



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## NEIGHBORHOOD COMMITTEE APPLICATION

### Contact Information:

Qualifying Stakeholder Address (*Dirección*):

Print Name/*Nombre el letra de Molde* : JEREMY STEPHAN

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VENICE CA 90291

Mailing Address (if different):

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Contact Numbers:

Phone (Day) / *Teléfono (día)* Phone (Evening) / *Teléfono (tardé)* Fax Number

Email / *Correo Electrónico* (very important)

Specific Plan Sub-area where you live, work or own property and wish to represent (see Venice Specific Plan: <http://venicenc.org/files/VenCoastal.pdf> section 2 for details):

**Sub-area : 5** (select number 1. Ballona Lagoon West Bank Subarea, 2. Ballona Lagoon (Grand Canal) East Bank Subarea, 3. Silver Strand Subarea 4. Marina Peninsula Subarea, 5. Venice Canals Subarea, 6. North Venice Subarea, 7. Oakwood-Millwood-Southeast Venice Subarea, 8. Oxford Triangle Subarea, 9. East of Lincoln Subarea), or other niche neighborhoods such as the committee recognizes

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

Stakeholder Signature/*Firma*

Date 8 December 2012



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## 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 have been living in California since 1997, and during the latter part of this time, I have come to realize how special a place that Venice Beach has become. Its history and what it has come to represent, impresses me. I have also come to realize that it is up to the people that live here to help preserve its essence and I am interested in doing my part as well as endeavor to positively impact the quality of life for those, like me, that call Venice home. Change starts at the bottom grass roots level – and this Committee is as close as it gets.

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

I have no previous and/or current neighborhood/ community involvement. This is my first experience.

### 3) In your opinion what are the three most pressing issues facing the Venice Community?

- (1) Safety
- (2) Overall cleanliness/ trash/ appearance
- (3) Homeless

### 4) The Neighborhood Committee is tasked with promoting awareness of available City resources and services by acting as a conduit between the Board and Venice neighborhoods, assisting in community outreach and bringing neighborhood issues to the attention of the Board.

**What are your suggestions for effectively fulfilling this obligation?** Conduits are intended to flow two ways, and as such, there are two main priorities that I have to help fulfill my obligation. First, I need to attend each of the Board and Committee meetings to stay abreast of issues being addressed and become familiar with the resources/ services available to Stakeholders.

Second, having responsibility and oversight of a Subarea, I will make it known to the Stakeholders in the assigned Subarea that I am their “voice” within the Neighborhood Committee should they need to be heard.

Once I am part of the Committee, and have a better understanding of how things have been run, I am sure I will develop a number of other suggestions to be an effective member of the Committee.



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**5) Do you have a vision for Venice? If so, please describe:** My vision for Venice is to preserve its essence by helping it to continue to evolve into a modern classic community. There are deep roots here, which should be maintained, but at the same time, allow Venice to flourish for generations to come. Venice is an amalgamation of any number of varying characteristics from all walks of life over the years – and that’s what has helped form it into what we know and love today. Venice should always be warm and open to accepting everyone, and there should always be a place here for everyone.

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**6) Please list all committees, groups, organizations schools churches, agencies, with which you have regular communication.** There are no groups, as defined above, in which I maintain regular communication. However, as of this month, I have just recently joined the mentor program for the Boys & Girls Club of Venice.

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**Thank You for Volunteering to Help Our Community!**