

2020 Alternate Area & At-large Representative Nominees

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Cathy Russell 2nd

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At-large

Mary Mueller 1st
Marilyn Wexler 2nd

1st Position Alternate Nominees – 2020

Area One: Judy Orsini

Judy has resided in Area One for 42 years. She is a realtor of many years and has worked closely with presidents of the Castellammare Homeowners Association to provide information and advice on real estate matters. She has given the real estate report at the Association's

annual meeting for the last thirteen years. She believes that issues such as wildfire protection, supporting the good work of PPTFH, and maintaining the integrity of CC&Rs are all important. She has a good sense of the residents' vision for the community and believes that will help her in serving as Area One 1st Alternate.

Area Two: Melanie Bouer

Melanie has been the Area Two 1st Alternate for the last two years. She is a 32-year resident of the Highlands, and has enjoyed working with PPCC and the Area Two primary representative Steve Cron. She is concerned about issues such as large-scale development, crime and traffic congestion, and protection of coastal resources and parks. She is very interested in continuing to serve the community as Area Two 1st Alternate.

Area Three: Danielle Samulon

Danielle served from 2016-2018 as the elected Area Three Primary representative and for the past two years has been Area Three 1st Alternate. She is a third generation Palisadian, mom, lawyer and volunteer with deep roots in the community. She grew up in the Palisades and has lived here for nearly a decade with her husband and children. Danielle understands the concerns of her fellow residents and wishes to continue working on the many issues of concern to constituents as Area Three 1st Alternate.

Area Four: Rick Mills

Rick was the respected Area Four Primary representative for six years, from 2014-2020. He has resided in Area Four for more than three decades and was previously Chair of the Pacific Palisades Design Review Board. He has been a member of the PPCC Land Use Committee and is very knowledgeable about the issues facing our community. He will bring valuable expertise and perspectives to PPCC as Area Four 1st Alternate.

Area Five: Kimberly Bloom

Kimberly first moved to the Palisades Highlands as a graduate student in 1981 and fell in love with the community. After a hiatus living elsewhere, she and her husband returned to the Palisades in 1993 and they have resided with their son in the Alphabet Streets ever since. She has been an active member of St. Matthews Episcopal Church, where she has chaired the Youth Group and numerous events. She organized and co-led a cancer support group and also produced a successful comedy show fundraiser for the YMCA. She loves the Palisades community and the Alphabet Streets and looks forward to serving as Area Five 1st Alternate.

Area Six: Karyn Weber

Karyn has lived with her husband and children in Area 6 for almost 19 years. She has previously served on the PPCC board as PPCC Secretary, Area 6 Alternate and PPRA's Alternate representative. She wishes to keep the small town feel of the neighborhood where her children grew up while improving certain aspects, including the park and recreation center, the farmer's market and our infrastructure such as streets, development, parks and hiking trails. As Area Six 1st Alternate, she would also like to help bring a voice for teens, as they are a large part of our community but are often unrepresented.

Area Seven: Rick McGeagh

Rick has resided with his family in the Will Rogers State Park neighborhood for over 22 years. He has been a PPCC member for twelve years, representing the Pacific Palisades Baseball Association in the Recreation category. He has also served on the PPBA board for twelve years and the Palisades Park Advisory Board for five years. Rick campaigned for and successfully engaged Mike Bonin's office and park rangers in clearing the overgrown brush on the north side of Sunset Blvd. between Will Rogers State Park Rd. and Evans Rd. This summer, LAFD Deputy Chief Hogan included Area Seven on the LAFD brush clearance plan, calling it "Rick's Project." During COVID-19, Rick himself regularly clears Will Rogers State Park Rd., filling a green trash can with leaves weekly. He looks forward to serving Area Seven as the 1st Alternate.

Area Eight: Reza Akef

Reza has been a resident of Area Eight for 25 years and was honored to represent the Area as Primary representative for the last eight years. He loves the Polo Fields and believes that we need to protect our quality of life. He has defended the community on issues such as the golf tournament, Paul Revere MS and local student enrollment at Canyon Elementary. His professional career has ranged from government to private sectors and he understands the intricate working dynamic with the City to get results for the community.

At-large: Mary Mueller

Mary has served admirably as the At-large 1st Alternate for the past two years. She is a 25-year Palisades resident and a Marketing Partnership executive in the entertainment and sports industry. She operates a business located in Pacific Palisades and her two grown children were raised in the Palisades and still work here. She served as the able Chair of PPCC's Awards Event Committee last year and wishes to continue serving PPCC and the community as At-large 1st Alternate.

2nd Position Alternate Nominees — 2020**Area One: Kelly Comras**

Kelly has served reliably as Area One 2nd Alternate for the last four years; for four years before that, she was the elected Primary representative. She is a Fellow of the American Society of Landscape Architects and a member of the PPCC Palisades Forestry Committee. Kelly is very familiar with PPCC's Mission and process as well as her area's concerns, and wishes to continue serving constituents so that they have a clear understanding of how to participate in local planning, building and safety, coastal development and other issues.

Area Two: Bruce Schwartz

Bruce is a long-time Highlands resident and realtor with Palisades Realty. He has been the Area Two 2nd Alternate for the last two years and previously served as PRIDE's representative to PPCC. Bruce received a Golden Sparkplug Award in 2013 and was honored as PPCC's 2018 Citizen of the Year for his extraordinary record of volunteer service to the community. His many substantial contributions to the safety and beauty of the Highlands and the entire Palisades community are widely-known and appreciated. Bruce wishes to continue serving the community as Area Two 2nd Alternate.

Area Three: Nancy Niles

Nancy has lived in Pacific Palisades for 43 years and in Area Three since 1985. She is the respected President of the Pacific Palisades Woman's Club and served in the past on the PPCC board as the service club representative for the Woman's Club. This fall, she was a member of the PPCC Election Committee, which oversaw the election of our Area and At-large representatives. She is happy to serve as the Area Three 2nd Alternate with the Primary representative Haldis Toppel.

Area Four: Lee Anne Sanderson

Lee Anne is an over 37-year resident of Area Four, where she has raised her children and participated in numerous local Palisades youth programs. She has been involved for many years directly in efforts to improve public safety and the quality of life in Area Four. She has been a Block Captain, has raised funds to install Neighborhood Crime Watch signs, and has worked with Mike Bonin's deputies on matters such as COVID-19 safety, automotive speeding/racing, fire hazards on the bluff, graffiti, trash, stolen signage and noise and party nuisances. Lee Ann supports PPCC's Mission and wishes to serve Area Four as the 2nd Alternate to PPCC.

Area Five: James Bierman

James is a seven-year resident of the Palisades who moved with his wife and two young children to their new home in the Alphabet Streets three months ago. He received an MBA from UCLA and works in life sciences consulting. He is very committed to the future of the community which he believes is built for family, and wants to make sure that it continues to grow in a way that is great for residents and the future of our children. James is most interested in ensuring that the Palisades has a viable sustainable economic profile and looks forward to contributing to the community as Area Five 2nd Alternate.

Area Six: Cindy Kirven

Cindy has lived with her family in Pacific Palisades for 37 years and in Area 6 for six years. A retired COO of a film production company, she is a member of the Garden Club, a Village Green volunteer, and serves as Chair of the PPCC Palisades Forestry Committee. She has specific expertise applicable in communication, organization and collaboration. Cindy recognizes the unique representational needs of Area 6, which includes the Huntington and Via Mesa neighborhoods, as well as the bluffs, the southern business district, the Recreation Center and George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon. As Area Six 2nd Alternate, she hopes to bring her skills and expertise to helping keep the community safe, beautiful and neighborly.

Area Seven: Cathy Russell

Cathy is a 40+-year Area Seven resident who has served on the PPCC Board for the last 12 years, first as the respected Area Seven Primary representative and then as 1st Alternate representative. She wishes to continue working hard on the many issues that present themselves, including traffic concerns, homelessness, tree preservation, wildfires and safety. Cathy is very grateful to have been part of PPCC and wishes to continue to contribute to its ongoing mission. She observes: "In these difficult times, it is important to take care of our community and each other."

Area Eight: Andrew Wolfberg

Andrew has served as the dependable Area Eight 1st Alternate for the last four years. He has also served as Primary representative as well as PPCC Vice-President for one term and as a member of the PPCC Bylaws Committee. He is an estate planning attorney who grew up in the Palisades and has lived in his home with his wife and children in the Polo Fields for ten years. Andrew is particularly interested in the effects that Paul Revere and other public schools have on their surrounding neighborhoods.

At-large: Marilyn Wexler

Marilyn has been the reliable PPCC Area Seven 2nd Alternate for the past four years. She is a 30-year resident, has served on the board of the Santa Monica Canyon Civic Association (SMCCA) for 15 years, and for the past eight years has served as the respected President of SMCCA. She also sits on the PPCC Palisades Forestry Committee which she believes will be an invaluable asset to all of the Palisades community. Marilyn wishes to continue serving the community as the At-large 2nd Alternate.