ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION

TITLE: Zone Director Candidate Statements

ZONE 2 CANDIDATES:

1. Emily Lin

ZONE 5 CANDIDATES:

1. Delaram Ahmadyveasi

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August 11, 2025

To: Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) Board of Directors

Re: Candidate for Vacancy of Zone 2 Director

Dear Members of the Mar Vista Community Council Board,

My name is Emily Lin, and I have proudly called Mar Vista home since 2011. I was born and raised in Taiwan in a family dedicated to public service. My father served as a congressman, and my mother as a city councilwoman. From them, I learned the importance of addressing community needs, finding solutions to local challenges, and creating a better place to live—values they still live by even in their seventies.

When I learned that the Zone 2 Director position was vacant, I saw it as the perfect opportunity to serve Mar Vista in an official capacity. For nearly 15 years, I have been an active stakeholder in our community, and I plan to remain here for the rest of my life. My professional background as a real estate agent since 2021, along with my family's experience in real estate development, gives me a strong understanding of housing, growth, and neighborhood planning—critical issues for our area.

I believe in the power of community involvement, open dialogue, and practical solutions. As Zone 2 Director, I would bring dedication, experience, and a lifelong commitment to making Mar Vista an even better place to live.

Please find attached signatures from MVCC stakeholders in support of my candidacy.

Sincerely,

Statement of Interest – Zone 5 Director, Mar Vista Community Council

Hello Board President, respectful board members, and neighbors,

My name is Delaram Ahmadyveasi, and I'm excited to put my name forward to serve as your Zone 5 Director on the Mar Vista Community Council.

I've lived in Mar Vista for many years of my early life and current life—attended Mar Vista Elementary, went on to Palms Middle School—and this neighborhood means a lot to me. Over the years, I've seen how much stronger and more connected our community can become when people feel safe, included, and heard. That's what I want to continue to help make happen.

Through my work as Chair of the Education, Arts, and Culture Committee, I've focused on bringing people together—whether through creative programs, neighborhood events, or community partnerships. I've also had the opportunity to serve the broader community professionally through local organizations like the Boys and Girls Club of Santa Monica/ Mar Vista Gardens and other city programs supporting youth and families.

Professionally, I've worked across nonprofit, education, and community spaces—including operations, finance, youth development, and political campaigns. My campaign work has taught me how to organize, listen, and act on the issues that matter most to people. I bring that same energy and commitment to everything I do, whether it's managing a budget, supporting a team, or responding to a community need. But what matters most to me is using those skills to build systems that work for *people*—all people, across age, background, and experience.

As an immigrant and a professor of human development, I understand the importance of seeing the world through perspectives beyond my own. My work centers around how people grow, relate, and build community across differences—and I carry that lens into everything I do. I know that effective leadership means being willing to listen, learn, and represent all of our neighbors, not just those whose voices are the loudest.

If elected, I'll work to increase the sense of safety, connection, and care among our neighbors—not just those who live in Zone 5, but also those who pass through, walk our sidewalks, play in our parks, and shop at our small businesses. I believe community is something we create together—and I'd be honored to join to board to help lead that effort.

Delaram Ahmadyveasi