

Candidate Name	Michael Steuer
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Based on my stakeholder status within the SORO NC boundaries, I would like to apply for the following Board seat:	Organization Representative (Including members of non-profits, faith-based organizations, service organizations, etc.)
For all other seats: please describe your affiliation to the neighborhood, including the business, school or organization name and address.	In addition to being a resident of SoRo and a (home office based) business owner, I am on the Executive Board of Temple Beth Am (1039 S La Cienega Blvd) as the Vice President of Programming and Engagement, as well as the VP of Advancement for Pressman Academy (1045 S La Cienega Blvd). As a VP of both organizations in this neighborhood, I'm applying for the Organization Rep seat.
Optional, but encouraged: please provide a short public statement about why you think you'd be a strong addition to the Board.	<p>I have been a resident and business owner in SoRo since 2011, when my wife and children moved into the neighborhood. We have since been active participants in local governance issues, including having lobbied city hall on behalf of our neighbors when residential zoning laws were being changed several years ago.</p> <p>As mentioned, I represent both Temple Beth Am and Pressman Academy. As you may know, Temple Beth Am has about 1,000 member families, of whom several hundreds, if not a majority, live within the SoRo NC boundaries. As such, there may not be any, of at most very few, organization(s) with more members within the confines of our neighborhood.</p> <p>Pressman Academy is a school with about 450 students in our neighborhood. Most recently, Pressman Academy became one of the first 4 schools in all of LA County to receive a waiver from the health department to reopen for certain grades, because of our extreme diligence in implementing the best possible health policies to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in schools.</p> <p>In my professional life, I am a technology entrepreneur and own several software companies.</p> <p>In my personal life, I am the proud husband of Laura, and the proud father of Yuri (12), Emma (12) and Noa (4).</p> <p>I look forward to contributing back to the neighborhood our family calls home since 2011, and our organizations have called home since the 1950s!</p>
Legal Affirmation	I am at least 18 years old (or between 15 and 18 for the Student seat). I hearby declare under penalty of perjury that all of the above statements are true.

Candidate Name	Armeen Neshat
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I am a longtime resident of SORO, and am currently employed by the Skid Row Housing Trust. We are a nonprofit organization providing homeless housing and services throughout LA County, and I work remotely through my home office in SORO Zone 6.

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It is my pleasure to apply to be on the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council Board. I am a current committee member on the SORO Land Use Committee, a second generation SORO resident, and have been proud to have live in Zone 6 for several years.

I love SORO, and this community is the first area that my father lived in when he immigrated to this country. I regularly eat at every one of our local restaurants, and have gotten to know many of the owners and employees incredibly well over the years. I'm a regular at Undergrind Cafe and Taj Mahal, and can be found walking throughout the SORO boundaries on my nightly walks. I love what this community has to offer, and am incredibly grateful for the opportunities it has afforded me and my family. I joined the Land Use Committee last year because I wanted to use my skills and experience to better our community and help inform key decisions facing our neighborhoods.

My background and training are as an urban planner, and I have worked in both transportation planning and homeless housing services. I currently work for a homeless housing provider, where I coordinate between health services, city and county level departments, and navigate city planning regulations. Previously during my time in transportation planning, I worked at LA Metro's Office of Extraordinary Innovation, where I coordinated with other agencies and departments to help draft Metro's Strategic Plan update. As a transportation planning consultant, I helped plan major transit projects in Los Angeles County, and wrote technical studies on infrastructure concerns similar to those facing SORO today. Before my career as a planner, I worked at a local Civil Rights law firm and served as a K-12 teacher in Teach for America.

All of this has combined to give me direct experience on key issues affecting SORO, and working relationships with our peer agencies and organizations trying to tackle them. South Robertson is an amazing community with a rich tapestry of neighborhoods and people calling it home, and I would love nothing more than to continue utilizing my skills and experiences to help keep our community a great place to live.

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