



## Zone 1 Representative Candidate

**Charles Stein**

**What is your name, the seat you are running for, and one or two lines about you personally?**

I'm Charlie Stein and I am running to be the Zone 1 Representative. My wife and I live in SORO with our 2 kids, a 5 year old son and two year old daughter, and I work in Beverly Hills as an attorney

**What is your stake in SORO?**

I have lived in SORO for the last 8 years and I also belong to a synagogue in SORO, where I attend regularly.

**What is your favorite thing about this community?**

My favorite thing about living in the area is the strong community ties and how my family and I have many friends a short walk away, and given that everything in L.A. is so spread out, it is nice to live in an area where walking is a possibility.

**Five years from now, how might SORO look different, and how would you make that happen?**

As this community continues to grow despite the high cost to live here, I foresee more restaurants and businesses opening up in the area to address the specialty needs of the community. As a result, I believe it is the neighborhood's council's role, and as a board member, mine as well, to encourage people to patronize these businesses and be a bridge to the local government to push for incentives so that the community continues to get the best possible businesses.

**What are your strongest skills and leadership qualities, and how will they be an asset to your work as a board member?**

One of my leadership aspects that I take great pride in is being able to take many different approaches to a common problem and mesh them together in a compromise. Mediation is a skill that is commonly used in my career and I look forward to using it within Neighborhood Council activities and meetings.

**What is one thing most people don't know about you?**

I ran my first marathon this year (L.A.) and despite the fact that I had never run more than 1.5 miles before I started training, I have since become a dedicated long distance runner and my favorite time to run is in the early morning before sunrise.

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