

Carroll Park Association

2018

NOMINEES FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Below is a listing of the individuals who have been named as 2018 nominees for Board positions with the Carroll Park Association, along with their personal statements. Ballots will be provided at the General Meeting on Saturday, June 23rd, at 9:30 AM, so you may vote then for the candidate of your choice.

PRESIDENT:

KAT CLARK -- 362 Junipero

I have lived in Carroll Park for close to 5 years now and am honored to continue to be on the Board and serve. My husband Mark and I have been married for 28 years and have three adult children, who also call Carroll Park their Family home. We just treasure the historic quality of the neighborhood and the priceless friendships we have made here over the years. I look forward to continuing to be involved in all aspects of how our Board can best serve our neighborhood and look forward to keeping up the social gatherings as well. When I am not working on Carroll Park issues or events, I am a full-time Middle School Foods teacher and Garden Coordinator in Downey teaching young minds to Eat From the Earth!.

VICE PRESIDENT:

TOM BLAIR -- 2347 E. Third Street

I am running for this position because I love our neighborhood, and care deeply about keeping it as welcoming, safe, and enjoyable as possible. My wife, Keramet, and I moved here in 2016 with the purchase of our first (and hopefully life-long) home; we have since added another resident, our son Edward. I have been involved with the Board as an ad hoc helper around several specific issues, and am honored to have been nominated for this position by a current member. On the fun side, I would like to see our neighborhood parties continue, and for other new residents to receive the warm welcomes my wife and I did. On the more serious side, as the City revises historical guidelines and addresses emergency vehicle access to the neighborhood, I want to make sure we get win-win policies that preserve the neighborhood's historical value, but also leave room for things like suitable railings for people who need them, and for fire trucks and ambulances to be able to reach our houses. As a physician and father, I try to bring thoughtfulness and warmth to work and home, and would strive to do the same in this role.

SECRETARY:

CECILE LINDSAY -- 313 Carroll Park West

I am interested in serving because of my love for Long Beach and for our neighborhood. Although I have only lived in Long Beach for just under four years, I have worked at Cal State Long Beach for over ten years and am very familiar with the community. I'm a member of the Long Beach Historical Society and the Heritage Society, and am interested in preserving and enhancing the historical neighborhoods of our city. From my work as an academic administrator, I bring strong organizational and problem-solving skills to the table. I believe in service to the community, and am active in animal rescue and adoption. I would enjoy the opportunity to be of service as an association board member.

TREASURER:

JAY AXUP -- 368 Carroll Park West

I have lived in Carroll Park since 2000 when I purchased my home at 368 Carroll Park West and renovated the exterior to better match its Craftsman style. I am originally from Oakland, attended UC Berkeley, and received my MBA from UCLA. I have worked in the financial departments of major real estate development and management companies, and currently serve as controller for The Guidance Center, a mental health agency for children in Long Beach. With my extensive financial background and database skills, I have the ideal background to serve as Board Treasurer.

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE:

(3 POSITIONS)

BILL MARLEY -- 2330 Carroll Park South

I am willing to remain on the Board as an at-large member subject to the vote of our neighbors. I would like to follow the park and other issues, as I have in the past.

MARGIE POYER -- 351 Carroll Park East

My husband, Tom, and I purchased our home in Carroll Park 41 years ago, shortly after we were married. We have two adult children, who were born and raised in Carroll Park. I was involved in the original efforts to form the Carroll Park Association and with obtaining designation of our neighborhood as a historical district. I am the Vice President of a Long Beach-based corporation, a certified paralegal, a graphic designer, and an author. In my work as a paralegal, I have served as the coordinator for various civic groups and committees. I feel organization and communication are essential to the operation of any group, large or small, and that my business skills and experience would be helpful to the Carroll Park Association. During this past year, I have served as a volunteer Board member for the Carroll Park Association and would be happy to continue to serve.

ELAINE TUBINIS -- 372 Carroll Park East, #408

I have lived in Carroll Park for the last 25 years, and love the historic ambiance of the neighborhood and the lively mixture of residents. As a professional landscaper, I take great pleasure in walking the neighborhood and admiring the architecture and variety of personalities displayed in the front yards. As a professional musician, I have performed for private events at local homes, for several benefits at Portfolio, and for parties and weddings at the Long Beach Art Museum. I fully support the efforts of the 4th Street Merchant Association. Among the many jewels are the Art Theater and the Assistance League. I look forward to working with the Carroll Park Association and our neighborhood to benefit the entire community.