

March 22, 2024

Joanne D'Antonio Community Forest Advisory Committee (CFAC) Chair Sent Via E-mail

Re: Council District 4 Alternate to Community Forest Advisory Committee

Dear Chair D'Antonio,

I am requesting Adele Slaughter be appointed to serve on the Community Forest Advisory Committee as Council District 4 Alternate, effective immediately. Ms. Slaughter has experience serving community-based organizations to advocate for sustainability and urban forest issues in the City of Los Angeles.

I thank the committee and Ms. Slaughter for their willingness to serve.

Sincerely,

Nithya Raman Councilmember, 4th District City of Los Angeles

cc: Holly Wolcott, City Clerk



Attachment

Adele F. Slaughter

Brief biography

I have moved from New York City to Los Angeles in 1994. In 2017 I began advocating for the preservation of our green open space, specifically our Los Angeles urban tree canopy.

In order to address the issues facing Studio City, I began serving on the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) Land Use Committee five years ago, and became the Chair of the Sustainability Committee three years ago. This past year, I was appointed to fill an empty seat on the board of the SCNC and currently I am running to serve on the Board for another term.

There are several projects we have begun on SCNC, which I would like to see to fruition. One project is a vision plan for how we want Studio City to look in 2050. It is my goal to preserve both protected trees and as many significant trees as we can while encouraging new thoughtful development that includes green spaces. Another project is conserving the land along the Los Angeles River, specifically from Colfax to Vineland.

I am a teacher, film producer, writer, and also a poet. I have an MFA from Columbia University, have published a book of poetry and a book of non-fiction. I have taught extensively at the college level, specifically at California State University Channel Islands, Glendale Community College, Pasadena City College and East Los Angeles Community College. Additionally, I have worked as a journalist covering personal health for USAToday.com.

I live and work in Studio City which I am proud to call my home.

Note: I appeared on Spectrum News working to save an oak and walnut woodland along Ventura Boulevard

https://spectrumnews1.com/ca/san-fernando-valley-ventura/news/2021/11/17/st udio-city-residents-block-new-commercial-development-to-save-endangered-tree