

Greater Griffith Park Neighborhood Council
Candidate Statement

First Name: Leslie Last Name: VanKeuren

All candidates have the option of submitting a Candidate Statement as part of their Candidate Filing Packet. Every candidate must adhere to the following guidelines when submitting a Candidate Statement:

- Must fit in the designated area below;
- Must not exceed 150 word count limit;
- Must be at least 12-point font (if typed);
- Must be submitted no later than February 18, 2010; and,
- May not include any pictures, profanity or comments about any other candidate.

Additionally, a candidate may submit translated version(s) of the original statement, which must comply with all aforementioned criteria. Candidate Statements will be posted on the City Clerk's website and at the polling place on Election Day.



In the urban expanse of LA, Griffith Park is a green oasis. It's a daily reminder of often overlooked necessities the natural environment provides at no cost. Creating accessible, smaller urban parks will **take pressure off Griffith Park** and help **preserve this urban wilderness** for future generations.

Increasing walk-ability, bike-ability and public transportation not only reduces harmful emissions, parking issues and congestion, it puts people directly in front of small businesses and places that make Los Feliz unique.

My background in management and sustainability will be a guiding force to serving our community in ways that **benefit our people, our businesses and our environment.**

I'm passionate about these things, however **nine other candidates also speak to issues important to me.** We support these ideas, so as a group, you know where we stand.

I'm **Leslie VANKEUREN.** I live here.

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I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT:

Signature: Leslie VanKeuren Date: 02/18/10