

**NOMA Agenda  
February 3, 2022  
7:00 p.m. via Zoom**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81526517066>

Meeting ID: 815 2651 7066

Call to Order

Treasurer's Report

Announcements

Palisades Park: A discussion on the Condition of the Park and Planned Work with Rick Valte, Director of Public Works

Council Member Phil Brock: Community News and Q & A

Nominating Committee Report: Evelyn Lauchenauer: See attached Nominations

Jim Williams will be leaving the NOMA Board but will remain as a valued advisor. His knowledge and dedication to Santa Monica help all of the residents to understand how the City should operate and we are very grateful for his service.

Public comment

Adjournment

## **NOMA Board Nominations 2022**

The NOMA Nominations Committee is putting forth the following candidates for our 2022 Board. Four are current incumbents. Once elected, the candidates will join the nine members elected in 2021 and will serve for 2 years. The vote will be taken at NOMA's February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. The Zoom meeting information is at the top of the agenda, or can be accessed at <http://www.smnoma.org/>

### **2022 NOMA Board Nominees (\*Indicates incumbent)**

#### **Danilo Bach \***

I've been a resident of the city for 44 years, the first ten as a renter and homeowner in Ocean Park, where I was involved with preservation and local zoning issues and with my wife and friends helped save and rehab the Irving Gill-designed Horatio West Court apartments, the first Santa Monica landmark to be listed on the National Register. I've since been a resident of north of Montana for over 30 years, made my living as a screenwriter, have a wife who, if anything, is more passionate about the singularity of our city than I, and two sons who are products of Santa Monica's extraordinary public school system.

#### **Jeff Brecht\***

My wife and I have lived on 4th and San Vicente in Santa Monica for the last five years. I've made my career as a Financial Consultant focused on promoting financial health and literacy. I first became involved with the community as an active member of the Historic San Vicente Coalition. In the coalition, I worked side by side with numerous NOMA members and countless North of Montana residents in creating the largest historic district in Santa Monica. As a member of the NOMA board, I hope to promote the welfare of our neighborhood and its citizens through furthering the democratic process.

#### **Nancy Coleman\***

I returned to Santa Monica after a 40 year period in Washington, DC in mid-2011 and joined NOMA shortly thereafter. I graduated from Roosevelt, Lincoln, and Santa Monica High School and continued to visit the area during the intervening years. Most recently I have served as Chair of NOMA, a member of the Santa Monica Social Services Commission and served two terms on the Los Angeles County Civil Grand Jury.

My NOMA work has concerned the maintenance of R 1 neighborhoods, the incursion of residential neighborhoods of commercial entities, the lack of parks in NOMA and the state legislation that impacts our residential neighborhoods.

I have spent my professional life looking at better ways for citizens to influence public policy whether at the national or local levels. I hope to be able to use my skills to work with NOMA to influence the Santa Monica City Council and other Commission's such as the Planning Commission.

**Jeff Gordon\***

I have lived in Santa Monica since 1988. I am a retired attorney (inactive status.) Over the years, as part of my litigation practice, I have worked on protecting women's and first amendment rights and to help ensure gender equality for girls in LA park's programs and numerous other pro bono projects. I have received recognition from the State Bar and the ACLU's Pro Bono Advocacy Award for my work.

I am concerned about traffic gridlock in our city caused by overdevelopment and preserving the character of our wonderful NOMA neighborhood and city as a whole.

**Bruce Leddy**

My family and I have lived in the North of Montana neighborhood for the past 21 years, having moved here from New York City to pursue my work as a writer/director. I feel lucky to live in Santa Monica, and in particular NoMa, and am eager to apply more time and energy to helping preserve and improve the neighborhood we are so fortunate to live in. Issues of particular interest to me are: over-development, which threatens to irrevocably alter our city and quality of life; the preservation of historic homes; and finding compassionate solutions to the chronic and complex homelessness crisis which affects us all. My volunteer experience has primarily been at a national/political level and I welcome the opportunity to address issues here at home, following the maxim "All politics is local". NOMA's commitment to providing information to residents about important matters that affect us directly, as well as its monthly forum for healthy discussion and interaction with community leaders, are invaluable to creating a better community. I look forward to supporting that mission.

**Board Members elected in 2021 who will remain on the Board are:**

Phillis Dudick

Victor Fresco

Ann Greenspun

Todd James

Evelyn Lauchenauer

Elizabeth Lerer

Steven Lissik

Robert Posek

Sonya Fox Sultan

Jim Williams will be leaving the NOMA Board after serving for more than 4 years.