

CSA3 Board Elections 2022

Candidate Statement for Trink Praxel

I retired in 2010 from 20+ years of administrative work in the public sector, most recently at UC Santa Cruz and the City of Santa Cruz. My husband and I bought a townhouse in Seascape about that same time. In 2015 I had conversations with Supervisor Friend and County staff about our County Service Area's purposes and management. The County rules on CSA's require neighborhood representation and annual meetings with the home owners, but none of that was being done at that time in Seascape. Another neighbor, Tom Jorde, was having similar conversations and in 2018 the County agreed to ask Seascape home owners for new representation. We held our first reconstituted board election and annual meeting in September 2019. Seven homeowners were elected to the Board - the current five, plus two others who have since moved away and/or resigned.

The County requires that we designate two members of our board as the contacts with the County, and I have served as one of those contacts for the last 3 years, becoming familiar with their policies, procedures, and budgets. I am interested in serving another 2 years on the board and am putting my name forward as a board candidate again this year. I would like to continue the current boards' efforts to get passed a CSA3 annual assessment fee increase to renovate our medians and provide better security and garbage collection at Beer Can Beach. We need to educate more of our neighbors about how terribly deficient the current fee is in providing adequate services for our neighborhood. With a relatively small annual increase we can improve the quality of life and the value of our homes in Seascape neighborhoods.

Thank you,
Trink Praxel