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**Land Use Advisory Committee**  
**Statement of Interest Information Sheet**

**Name:** Suzanne Kushner

**Land Use Advisory Committee area:** District 5, Carmel Unincorporated/Highlands Land Use  
Advisory Committee

**Number of years residing in that land use area:** 3

**Occupation:** Marketing Technologist (Retired in 2024)

**Past experiences pertaining to architecture, building, community issues, construction, environmental concerns, forestry, landscaping, land use issues or other matters are listed below:**

1. I grew up next door to a Frank Lloyd Wright home in rural Alabama and learned an appreciation for all things architecturally related at a young age.
2. I subscribe to *Architectural Digest* magazine and actually read it. I also subscribe to *Fine Homebuilding* magazine and actually read that, too.
3. I have suffered through several home renovations/remodels and learned a lot from each and every experience.
4. I am a strong advocate for maintain the architectural integrity of a home and neighborhood where it is located. I hate McMansions and the attitude that goes with them.
5. I appreciate green building practices.
6. Early in my career, I was a journalist who covered the Del Mar, California, City Council, the San Diego Planning Commission, and the Design Review Boards for this coastal community in San Diego County. Their growth and development issues often mirror those we see in Carmel.
7. I know that Shakespeare didn't write books.

**Reason that I wish to participate as a member of my land use advisory committee:**

1. As a Carmel Highlands resident since 2022, I have a strong interest in preserving the architectural heritage and integrity of homes and neighborhoods in this incredible Coastal community. I feel very lucky to live in this small piece of paradise. I am empathetic, however, to the desires of residents who want to build on, renovate or modernize their properties. I would enjoy helping residents advocate for their needs while maintaining the character and beauty of the community that we are famous for worldwide.
2. Finally, by being on this board, I would like to learn more about the history and character of the various communities in and around Carmel and the amazing people who live there.

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