

New board chair takes helm at NTC Foundation

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The NTC Foundation recently announced the election of Ken Stipanov as the new board chair, replacing Lori Fleet-Martin, who served for the last two years.

The board is tasked with overseeing the continued development of Arts District Liberty Station and its transformation from a historic Navy base to a vibrant arts and culture district. At the recent board meeting, CEO Lisa Johnson

thanked Fleet-Martin for her service, enthusiasm and energy.

“Few volunteers bring the degree of passion, energy and spirit as Lori. She steered our ship valiantly as we celebrated our decade of growth. We are thrilled that she is staying on board and helping us transition to new leadership and the completion of the project.”

Stipanov is a retired attorney who now spends most of his time on community, volunteer, and family activities. He has served on the board for the past eight years. During his 36 years of private practice, Ken focused on commercial real estate transactions, particularly in the area of real estate financing.

“Ken’s legal and real estate experience will continue to prove invaluable as we work to complete the final nine buildings under the auspices of the NTC Foundation,” said Johnson.

“I look forward to the opportunity to support the creation of a legacy project for San Diego in my own neighborhood,” said Stipanov. “I am especially drawn to the project because of its permanence, and I will work to help ensure its financial sustainability as well as increasing its prestige in the art world.”

In addition to his work with the NTC Foundation, Stipanov is a member of the board of the San Diego Maritime Museum, where he has been a member of the museum’s sail crew. He is a prior committee chair of Scouts BSA Troop 500 Point Loma, and is now on the committee that is launching Troop 500 for Girls.

He has served on the vestry and as senior warden of All Souls’ Episcopal Church. He holds degrees from Stanford and UCLA. Ken and his wife Julie live in Point Loma and have two grown children. In his spare time Stipanov enjoys backpacking, playing guitar, reading history, and spending time with family.