Board candidate:

Steven Shinn, Project Manager and Project Architect, Gensler

In general, why do you wish to be a Director of the San Diego Green Building Council?

I am interested in becoming more involved with local sustainability organizations influencing San Diego through advocacy, education and research. I want to promote collaborations and alliances with like-minded design and preservation organizations impacting the built environment, such as AIA SD and SOHO. I also want to share sustainability knowledge with the professionals in Gensler's 90-person local office.

Please provide a summary of your professional qualifications, knowledge, and experience most relevant to SDGBC? Also indicate any senior management and executive level experience.

I am a project manager with Gensler, an integrated architecture, design, and planning firm with 5100+ professionals networked across 46 offices. I focus on local, county, federal government projects, academic, and non-profit clients, with 29 years of experience in all phases of project management. I joined SDGBC when I moved here 2 Â½ years ago. I was previously a member of the USGBC Central Ohio Chapter. I have been LEED accredited for 12 years; worked on 9 sustainable projects; and co-presented at 12 sustainable seminars. I am the AIA San Diego Treasurer/Secretary.

Please explain your availability and willingness to participate in resource development. This may take many forms, including direct sponsorship; helping secure funding or otherwise opening doors to corporate, governmental and charitable sources.

Although I am still relatively new to San Diego, I have extensive professional and personal non-profit experience promoting building design, urban design and sustainability through civic engagement, advocacy, collaboration and education. As a board member, I will promote resource development, fiscal stewardship, communication, interaction, and relationship building. My professional experience managing committee driven architectural projects and my public service on non-profit boards has taught me that engagement, openness, and teamwork are essential to successful financial management and leadership.

Please describe what other expertise, experience and resources you bring to the Board of Directors.

- Taskforces - Member on 11 local and county taskforces in Ohio. Increased the presence and reputation of AIA and promoted urban design and renovation of historic neighborhoods.
- Presentations - 37 local and state speaking engagements in Columbus, Ohio and San Diego.Promoted the profession, design, sustainability, urban revitalization and preservation.
- Tours - Tour guide on 37 neighborhood tours in Columbus and San Diego.
  Promoted public understanding and appreciation for the revitalization of the downtown and historic neighborhoods.
- Juries - Managed or served on 20 local and state juries and served on 16 design award committees.
  Inspired quality architectural/urban design, and advanced preservation and sustainability.

Please describe your engagement with other nonprofit organizations and governance.

My community service and outreach promote the value of design and sustainability. I have provided 53 board years of service to 9 local and state community/professional boards; 35 of those years in officer positions. I also served on 29 committees for the 9 boards.

Board	Years Board Service	Years as an Officer
• AIA San Diego	1	1
• AIA Ohio	8	5
• AIA Ohio Foundation	2	
• AIA Columbus	10	5
• Columbus Historic Resources Commission	12	9
• Columbus Landmarks Foundation	9	8
• South Side Learning & Development Center	6	5
• North Bank Condominium	4	2
• Park Place Condominium (San Diego)	1	

Please identify any affiliations, memberships, and accreditations that may be valuable to SDGBC leadership

- Member SDGBC, 2014-Present.
- Member SOHO (Save Our Heritage Organization), 2014-Present.
- Member USGBC Central Ohio Chapter, 2011-2014
- Member AIA (American Institute of Architects), 1989-Present.
- LEED AP, BD+C, 2010-Present.
- LEED Accredited Professional, 2004-Present.
- Registered Architect in the State of Ohio, 1989.
- Masters of Architecture - University of Virginia, 1987.
- Bachelor of Science in Architecture - University of Virginia, 1985.

Please add any additional thoughts on ways the SDGBC can improve attainment of our vision.

To attain our vision, we need to continue:

- promoting collaboration and build on synergies with other like-minded organizations;
- educating our members and the public concerning the value of sustainability, health and wellness
- boosting advocacy within the civic realm to develop sustainable policies and practices.