

This document compares the existing version of Article 11 to the proposed replacement. It also shows the sections of Article 10 that bear directly on committees.

<p>Article 10- Officers</p> <p>.....</p> <p>The President shall preside over Association meetings, appoint members to committees, establish ad hoc committees, assign duties to officers and members as required, and serve as the official representative for the Association. The President shall be responsible for receiving site plans and other zoning information at any time there is not a chairperson for the Zoning committee.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>The officers shall collectively serve as the Executive Committee of the Association. Executive Committee decisions shall be determined by a majority vote of the officers. The President of the Association shall server as chairperson of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall meet as required.</p> <p>In the event of a vacancy in any office, the Executive Committee shall appoint an active regular member to fill the vacant office until a new officer is elected by the membership.</p> <p>Any officer may be removed from office at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two thirds (2/3) of the quorum, provided that reasonable notice that the removal vote will be proposed is furnished to the membership at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.</p>	
<p>Article 11 – Committees</p>	
<p>Existing bylaws (To simplify comparison, the existing language is not presented in its current order. Numbers preceding the text sshow original paragraph and sentence sequence.)</p>	<p>Proposed amendments</p>



<p>6.0 Streets and Sewers Committee</p> <p>4.0 Zoning Committee</p> <p>4.1 The mission of the Zoning committee is to review development proposals, taking into consideration the nature and characteristics of the neighborhood and consistency with the adopted neighborhood plan.</p>	<p>serves as a member of the Membership Committee.</p> <p>3. Newsletter</p> <p>The mission of the Newsletter committee is to publish a newsletter informing the membership of the activities of Hancock Neighborhood Association and including other information of relevance to the Hancock neighborhood. The newsletter shall be published a minimum of six times yearly, during the months in which a regular Association meeting is not scheduled.</p> <p>The Newsletter Committee is authorized to enter into agreements for printing the newsletter and the sale of advertising in it. No advertising shall be accepted from any candidate for political office, nor shall advertising advocating a political position be accepted.</p> <p>The Association Secretary automatically serves as a member of the Newsletter Committee.</p> <p>4. Streets and Sewers</p> <p>The Mission of the Streets and Sewers committee is to ensure the quality and safety of the streets, sidewalks, sewers, signage and public spaces of the neighborhood.</p> <p>5. Zoning Committee</p> <p>The Zoning Committee serves as the point-of-contact for zoning change requests, requests for design variances, and other matters relating to building code and neighborhood plan compliance. The Zoning committee’s review of such proposals must take into consideration the nature and characteristics of the neighborhood and consistency with the adopted neighborhood plan.</p>
	<p>C. Membership and Terms</p>

<p>2.1 Each standing committee shall have a chairperson who is appointed by the President and shall serve for one year.</p>	<p>The President appoints the chairperson of each standing committee and can replace the chairperson at any time. Committee chairpersons can serve consecutive terms without limit, so long as they are duly reappointed.</p> <p>The President appoints members of standing committees and can do so at any time. The membership can add committee members at any time by a majority vote of the quorum.</p> <p>All committee members and chairs serve from the time of their appointment until the January meeting of the following year unless removed as specified below.</p>
<p>2.2 Ad hoc committees may be appointed by the Executive Committee as needed.</p>	<p>D. Ad Hoc Committees</p> <p>The Executive Committee can create ad hoc committees as needed. The membership can create ad hoc committees by a majority vote of the quorum.</p> <p>Any ad hoc committees must have a fixed number of members and a specified procedure for electing or appointing them, a stated goal or charter defining its purpose, and a timeline for completing its work or being renewed by a vote of the membership. No ad hoc committee can have a tenure longer than one year.</p>
	<p>E. Removal of Committee Members</p> <p>The President can remove committee members at his or her discretion at any time. However, a unanimous vote of the other members of the Executive Committee can overturn such an action. The membership can overturn removal of a committee member by a two-thirds majority vote of the quorum at a regular or specially called meeting.</p> <p>Individual members of a committee, including the committee chair, may be removed by a majority vote of the Association membership. Such motions may not be submitted as emergency items.</p>
	<p>F. Dissolution of Committees</p>

	<p>Any committee can be dissolved following the procedures specified in Article 10 for the removal of Association officers. If a standing committee is dissolved, its duties devolve to the Executive Committee until such time as the general membership by majority vote adopts a motion to reconstitute it at a regular or special meeting. Motions reconstituting a committee cannot be entertained at the same meeting during which a committee is dissolved.</p>
	<p>G. Committee Size and Composition</p> <p>Committees must have no fewer than three members. Association officers serving on the Executive Committee cannot make up more than 50 percent of any committee’s membership. A committee that fails to meet these membership requirements is suspended until it does so. In the interim, the committee’s responsibilities devolve to the Executive Committee.</p>
<p>2.3 All committee meetings shall be open to interested members of the association</p>	<p>H. Procedural Minimums</p> <p>All committee meetings must be announced and open to interested members of the association. Announcements can take the form of postings to the Hancock newsgroup and Web site and must be made at least one week before the meeting.</p> <p>Committees are encouraged to allow interested members of the Association an opportunity to comment on agenda items and to participate in the discussion of them. Nonetheless, by a majority vote of its members, a committee may close a specific agenda item to discussion or comment by non-members of the committee. Regardless of such an action, all committee discussions or votes, including “work sessions,” “retreats,” and other collective communications among committee members must be open to observation by any interested members of the Association.</p> <p>Each committee must present a report of its activities at regularly scheduled meetings of</p>

	<p>the Association. In addition, reports of any committee meetings, including the names of those present, the topics discussed, and any proposed or adopted committee actions must be published to the membership with 10 days of the meeting. Publication can take the form of a posting to the Hancock newsgroup and its Web site.</p>