



Bylaws Committee Agenda
Wednesday, December 7, 2011 (7:00 p.m.)
Mid City West Community Council
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1. Call to Order and Committee Roll Call
2. Approval of 8/16/11 Minutes
3. **Public Comment Period** Comments from the Public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Under Mid City West Bylaws, comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker
4. Chairman's Report
5. MCWCC Bylaws Amendment Process Status Report Status report of the MCWCC Bylaws Amendment process to become in compliance with the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners' (BONC's) citywide Bylaw Table of Contents policy.
6. Bylaws as Approved by DONE on November 21, 2011: Article V, Section 6 Vacancies-- Discussion and possible action to determine a different word for "appointment", other than "election", in order to amend our bylaws to comply with the current ordinance regarding elections, while at the same time accurately describing the process by which MCW fills vacancies. **Action may be required.**
7. Consideration of Possible Stakeholder Meeting to Approve Bylaw Amendments Discussion and possible action to determine whether or not MCW should hold a Stakeholder Meeting for the purpose of Stakeholders to approve our bylaw amendments, as required by 2009-approved bylaws, Article V, Section 16, which reads:

16. EFFECT OF THESE BY-LAWS; APPROVAL BY D.O.N.E.; AMENDMENT.

a. Amendments to these By-Laws may be proposed by any Stakeholder. Any such proposal shall be placed on the agenda of a regular or special meeting in accordance with these By-Laws.

b. Within 30 days of approval by a majority vote of the Board, a Notice of Proposed Adjustment of By-Laws shall be submitted to DONE along with a copy of the existing By-Laws for review and approval by the Department in accordance with Article V(3) of the Plan for Neighborhood Councils. Amendments shall be subject to approval by DONE pursuant to the Plan. Following DONE approval, all amendments to these By-Laws shall be subject to approval of two-thirds of the Stakeholders voting on that particular amendment at a duly noticed public meeting to be held no less than 30 days and no more than 90 days after DONE approval. Administration for such Stakeholder meeting shall be the responsibility of the Elections Committee.”

although a letter from Department of Neighborhood Empowerment General Manager B.H. Kim indicates that we do not have to do this. **Action may be required.**

8. **Committee Business** – Comment from Committee members on subject matters within the boards jurisdiction.
 - Comment on Members' own activities/brief announcements
 - Brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general comment rights.
 - Introduce new issues for consideration by the Committee at it's next meeting and request Chair to place the item on the agenda
 - Anything else that would normally come up as a non-agenda item to be either announced or put on a future agenda
9. **General Public Comments** -Comments from the Public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction.
10. **Adjourn**

RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE

For information on the Process for Reconsideration, MCWCC Stakeholder Grievance policy or any other procedural matter related to this Council, please consult the MCWCC Bylaws by clicking on the www.midcitywest.org or visiting the MCWCC Office at 543 N. Fairfax Avenue, Room 106.

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