

North Central Neighborhoods Planning Council (#2)

ARTICLE I

BY-LAWS

The name of the organization shall be called the North Central Neighborhood Planning Council, as established by resolution of the Battle Creek City commission on October 24, 1979.

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVEES

It is the legally mandated function pf the Area No. II Neighborhood Planning Council to assist in the development of neighborhood development plans, for the City of Battle Creek, Michigan. The council will submit recommendations setting overall policy, assess neighborhood needs, review program plans, monitor Community Development programs, and recommend development and improvement in the Washington Heights Ward area. Final decisions with respect to such recommendations shall be made by the Battle Creek City Commission and the Battle Creek Planning Commission.

ARTICLE III

OPERATIONAL YEAR

The operational year of the Council shall from October first to October first of each year.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Special requirements: Members must be at least 18 years of age, a resident , or have a demonstrable or substantial interest in community improvement within the designated boundary area (i.e. rental property, businesses, agencies).

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Section 2. Membership shall consist of not less than 7 or more than 30 members elected by the council and appointed by the City Commission.

Section 3. The initial terms of members should be as follows:

Ten members for a three year term

Ten members for a two year term

Ten members for a one year term

And thereafter, all members shall serve three terms

Section 4. Any regular member of the council who is absent three consecutive meetings, without notifying the secretary or chairperson, in one operational year, may be removed from membership by a vote of a seven

member quorum. This does not mean that extenuating circumstances will not be considered.

Section 5. Any Executive officer who misses three consecutive meetings or neglects their position may be removed from office by 2/3 vote of the totally membership.

Section 5. Replacement of members for any unexpired term shall be filled by the recommendation of the council members and the chairperson with appointment following by the City Commission.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular meetings shall be held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M., at NIBC, except when it conflicts with holidays etc.

Section 2. All meetings shall be conducted according to Roberts' Rules of Order, except where the by-laws supersede the rules of order, with the Chairperson or vice Chairperson presiding unless otherwise authorized.

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Section 3. All meeting will conducted according to the Michigan Open Meeting Act of 1973.

Section 4. Special meetings shall be called at the discretion of the Chairperson upon 48 hour notice to the council members and city staff.

Section 5. A Quorum shall consist of 7 members present.

Section 6. A regular meeting can be cancelled or postponed at the direction of the Chairperson and with the concurrence of the officers of the council.

ARTICLE VII COMMITTEES

Sub-committees will be appointed as necessary by the Chairperson upon authority set forth from time to time by NCP 2.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended at any regular NPC #2 meeting by vote of 2/3 of the Council members present, provided that the proposed amendment shall have been submitted in writing and read at a preceding regular NPC #2 meeting, and mailed to each member at least five days prior to the date of meeting at which action is proposed.

By-Laws changes request my Commissioner Susan Baldwin 05/06, approved by members June 13, 2006. City Staff lost June 2006 recorded meeting tape. Typed March 26, 2007