

Neighborhood Associations Council of Clark County (NACCC)

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1.	NAME		NAME
		ame of this organization is Neighborhood iations Council of Clark County (NACCC).	The name of this organization is Neighborhood Associations Council of Clark County (NACCC).
2.	PURPOSE		PURPOSE
	2.1	NACCC provides a channel for open communication among government, business interests, neighborhood associations and other groups of residents.	NACCC provides a channel for open communication among government, business interests, neighborhood associations and other groups of residents.
	2.2	NACCC brings together neighborhoods with an interest in shaping and maintaining the quality of life in unincorporated Clark County.	NACCC brings together neighborhoods with an interest in maintaining and improving the quality of life in unincorporated Clark County.
	2.3	NACCC offers resources for any neighborhood in unincorporated Clark County.	NACCC offers a forum to share knowledge and informational resources for all active neighborhood associations in unincorporated Clark County.
	2.4	NACCC aspires to have diverse representation of Clark County's citizenship and neighborhoods.	NACCC aspires to have diverse representation of Clark County's citizenship and neighborhoods
	2.5	NACCC serves as a resource and advisory group to the Clark County Council regarding neighborhood issues, working with the Neighborhood Outreach Coordinator. NACCC is not an agent of Clark County government.	NACCC serves as a resource and advisory group to the Clark County Council regarding neighborhood issues, working with the Neighborhood Outreach Coordinator and Clark County Sheriff's Office. NACCC is not an agency of Clark County government.
		 Issues and concerns include, but are not limited, to the following: Revisions to codes and ordinances; Growth management and comprehensive land use planning; County budget and financial management; 	Issues and concerns include, but are not limited, to the following: Revisions to codes and ordinances; Growth management and comprehensive land use planning; County budget and financial management; Other areas of policy that impact neighborhoods.

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	iv. Other areas of policy that impact neighborhoods.		
3.	MEMBERSHIP	MEMBERSHIP	
	3.1 Membership consists of representatives or designees from active neighborhood associations currently participating in the Clark County Neighborhood Association Outreach program.	Membership consists of representatives or designees from active neighborhood associations currently participating in the Clark County Neighborhood Association Outreach program.	
	3.2 Active neighborhood associations are defined as associations that have at least one general meeting per year.	Active neighborhood associations are defined as associations that have at least one general meeting per calendar year; under normal conditions.	
4.	OFFICIAL RECOGNITION	OFFICIAL RECOGNITION	
	4.1 The Clark County Council recognizes the value of neighborhood associations and working with residents to build community. Clark County has offered various services to neighborhoods since 1991, and established the Neighborhood Outreach Program in August 1996 to serve those living in unincorporated Clark County.	The Clark County Council recognizes the value of neighborhood associations and working with residents to build community. Clark County has offered various services to neighborhoods since 1991 and established the Neighborhood Outreach Program in August 1996 to serve those living in unincorporated Clark County.	
	4.2 NACCC is not affiliated with, but is recognized by Clark County government. The Clark County Neighborhood Outreach Office entitles the Council to specific benefits and thus places certain requirements on the Council and its bylaws.	NACCC is recognized by Clark County government but is not an agency of Clark County. This recognition affords NACCC specific benefits and resources through the county's Neighborhood Outreach Office, and thus places certain requirements on NACCC's activities and bylaws.	
5.	DUES AND FUNDING	DUES AND FUNDING	
	In compliance with State of Washington and Clark County rules, no dues will be charged to members. Voluntary contributions, contracts, grants, subscriptions, or fund- raising activities may be used by NACCC as needed. The	 In compliance with Washington state law, no dues will be charged to members. Proceeds from voluntary contributions, contracts, grants, subscriptions, or fund-raising activities may be used by NACCC as needed for expenses approved by the Executive Board of NACCC. 	

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funds by a majority vote.	The Executive Board of NACCC has authority to approve expenditure of funds by a majority vote of members present.
	None of the earnings of or contributions to NACCC may be used to benefit any private individual or organization.
6. MEETINGS	NACCC may, in the future, establish an IRC Section 501(c)(3) tax exempt nonprofit status. In that event NACCC shall be required annually to file a Form 990 with the Internal Revenue Service. Annual registration with the State of Washington is also required. Contributions to NACCC shall not be permitted as a Federal tax deduction for the donor until NACCC's nonprofit status is established. MEETINGS
6.1 Membership meetings will be held on the second Monday of the month. Additional general membership meetings may be held at any time as determined by the Executive Board.	Membership meetings will be held on the second Monday of the month. Additional general membership meetings may be held at any time as determined by the Executive Board. Refer to Section 8.1. January membership meeting shall include an agenda item for general
	planning of topics and presenters. Suggestions for agenda items may be submitted at other times during the year and will be scheduled according to level of membership interest and availability on the schedule.
6.2 Executive Board meetings will be scheduled as the need arises. All NACCC members are welcome to attend Executive Board meetings. Each meeting agenda will provide opportunity for membership input.	Executive Board meetings will be scheduled as needed to discuss and schedule upcoming agendas and related items. Neighborhood Association members are invited to email questions and suggestions for issues to be discussed or presenters to be invited to future meetings to the Board for consideration. Each meeting will provide opportunity for discussion on these submitted questions.
6.3 Members present at a meeting shall constitute a quorum. At least one member of the	Members present at a meeting shall constitute a quorum. At least half of active neighborhood representatives must be present for a quorum. One

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		Executive Board shall be present to chair the meeting.	member of the Executive Board shall be present to chair the meeting.
7.	EXE(CUTIVE BOARD	EXECUTIVE BOARD
	7.1 7.2	The activities of NACCC will be managed by a volunteer Executive Board. Individual Executive Board members should be from different active neighborhood associations participating in the Clark County Neighborhood Outreach Program. The Executive Board will not have more than one representative from each active neighborhood association.	The activities of NACCC will be managed by a volunteer Executive Board. Individual Executive Board members should be from different active neighborhood associations participating in the Clark County Neighborhood Outreach Program. The Executive Board will not have more than one representative from each active neighborhood association.
	7.3.	The Executive Board officers shall be the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary/Treasurer.	The Executive Board officers shall be the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Board shall have the authority to appoint members to assist with projects as needed. Nominees for Executive Board positions must have attended at least 6 meetings in the 12 months prior to nomination. Attendance to be verified by the attendance roster maintained by the Secretary.
8.	DUTI	ES OF OFFICERS	DUTIES OF OFFICERS
	8.1	The Chairperson shall schedule and conduct all meetings and prepare meeting agendas. The Chairperson or designee will email the agenda for the upcoming meeting out to the neighborhood leaders and to the Neighborhood Outreach Coordinator 10-14 days prior to the meeting. The Neighborhood Outreach Coordinator will post the agenda on the county's webpage. The Chairperson or designee will also send the information to the local newspaper for publication on the Neighborhood notices page at least one week	The Chairperson shall schedule and conduct all meetings and prepare meeting agendas working with the Executive Board. The Board will take suggestions for agenda topics and speakers at the first meeting of the year at a planning meeting with the membership. The Chairperson shall be a signer on NACCC's checking account.

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		prior to the meeting date.	
	8.2	The Vice-Chairperson shall assist the Chairperson with their duties and fill in for the Chairperson in the event of his/her absence.	The Vice-Chairperson shall assist the Chairperson with their duties and fill in for the Chairperson in the event of his/her absence. The Vice-Chairperson shall be a signer on NACCC's checking account.
	8.3	The Secretary/Treasurer shall maintain records for NACCC, including financial and legal documents. They will provide information to the Neighborhood Outreach Coordinator for distribution in the weekly neighborhood association packets, and keep NACCC's financial records in order and	The Secretary shall maintain records for NACCC including legal documents. Secretary shall take and maintain general meeting notes; electronic copies will be available by request. The Secretary will send the meeting notices to the local newspaper for publication on the Neighborhood notices page at least one week prior to the
	maintain a full accounting of funds.	meeting date. Meeting agenda will be distributed to the membership at least 7 days prior to the meeting. The agenda will also be posted on the county's webpage by the Neighborhood Outreach Coordinator.	
			The Treasurer shall maintain financial records and maintain a full electronic accounting of funds and financial documents that is transferable to the next candidate.
			The Treasurer shall submit an annual report to the membership.
			The Treasurer shall be a signer on record for NACCC's checking account and there shall be at least two additional Board member signatures on record. Any expenditures over \$50 shall require two signatures.
9.	ELEC	TIONS	ELECTIONS
	9.1	Officers of the Executive Board will be nominated by NACCC members at the annual October meeting and elections will be held at the November meeting. Term of newly elected officers will begin in January of the following	Officers of the Executive Board will be nominated by NACCC members at the annual October meeting and elections will be held at the November meeting. Term of newly elected officers will begin in January of the following year.

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		year.	
	9.2	Executive Board officers shall be elected for two-year terms. The Chairperson and Vice- Chairperson elections shall be held on even years with their terms beginning the start of the following odd year. Secretary/Treasurer election shall be held on odd years with their term beginning the start of the following even year.	Executive Board officers shall be elected for two-year terms. The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson elections shall be held on even years with their terms beginning the start of the following odd year. Secretary and Treasurer elections shall be held on odd years with their term beginning the start of the following even year.
	9.3	If an elected officer is unable to complete his/her term, then the membership can elect a new officer to fill that vacancy at the first meeting following the notice of resignation. More than one nomination for office can be submitted from each neighborhood association, but each active neighborhood association has only one vote in the elections process.	If an elected officer is unable to complete his/her term, then the membership can elect a new officer to fill that vacancy at the first meeting following the notice of resignation. More than one nomination for office can be submitted from each neighborhood association, but each active neighborhood association has only one vote in the election process.
	9.4	There shall be no voting by proxy.	There shall be no voting by proxy.
10.	VOTING		VOTING
		When requested by a majority vote of those t, a vote on any matter shall be taken using a ballots.	When requested by a majority vote of those present, a vote on any matter shall be taken using written ballots. There shall be one vote per active association present.
	10.2	If there is intent to request a letter of support or opposition to an issue, the action requested to be voted on must be forwarded to the NACCC board so that it can be noticed on the agenda and posted at least one week prior to the meeting. Any official NACCC correspondence that will be generated with the	For meetings held virtually/online, votes shall be held by a roll call count. If there is intent to request a letter of support or opposition to an issue, the action requested to be voted on must be forwarded to the NACCC board so that it can be noticed on the agenda and posted at least one week prior to the meeting. Any official NACCC correspondence that will be generated with the NACCC letterhead must be approved by a vote at a duly called NACCC

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		NACCC letterhead must be voted on by all of the neighborhoods at a regular NACCC meeting.	meeting; Refer to Section 8.1
	10.3	Nominations for NACCC county employee recognition and for NACCC neighborhood leadership award shall be submitted during the month of October. The election shall be held at the November meeting.	Nominations for NACCC county employee recognition and for NACCC neighborhood leadership award shall be submitted during the month of October. The election shall be held at the November meeting.
	10.4	Each active neighborhood association has one vote. There shall be no voting by proxy.	Each active neighborhood association has one vote. There shall be no voting by proxy.
11.	BYLAWS AMENDMENTS AND REVISION		BYLAWS AMENDMENTS AND REVISION
	11.1	NACCC shall be governed by these bylaws which shall not be in conflict with any federal, state, or county laws.	NACCC shall be governed by these bylaws which shall not be in conflict with any federal, state, or county laws.
	11.2	These bylaws may be amended or new bylaws adopted at any membership meeting, or at any special meeting called for that purpose. Written notice of each proposed amendment or new bylaws shall have been provided to	These bylaws may be amended or new bylaws adopted at any membership meeting, or at any special meeting called for that purpose. Written notice of each proposed amendment or new bylaws shall have been provided to each member at the previous regular meeting.
		each member at the previous regular meeting.	The board has the authority to correct any scrivener's errors that do not change the intent of the bylaw.
12.	PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY		PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY
	The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised is suggested as a guideline for parliamentary procedure for the meetings and activities of NACCC. The attached two-page summary version of motions and actions guidelines will be used as a reference.		The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised is suggested as a guideline for parliamentary procedure for the meetings and activities of NACCC. The attached two-page summary version of motions and actions guidelines will be used as a reference. Governance of procedure will favor past standard practices.