

WALES GARDEN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

ADOPTED MARCH 10, 2002

Article 1 - Purpose of the Association:

- Section 1 The purpose of this nonprofit, nonpartisan organization shall be to promote, preserve, and improve the neighborhood and the community.
- Section 2 The name of this organization shall be the Wales Garden Neighborhood Association, hereinafter referred to as the Association.

Article 2 - Membership:

- Section 1 Ultimate authority for the direction of the Association shall be vested in its general membership meetings.
- Section 2 Any adult (18 years or older), permanently residing or owning property within the designated boundaries, is eligible for membership in the Association. To become a member, eligible persons must have their name entered onto the membership rolls of the Association by contacting the Association Secretary prior to any scheduled general membership meeting and must be current in any dues payment, if applicable.
- Section 3 The boundaries of the Wales Garden neighborhood community shall include Saluda Avenue, Wateree Avenue and Myrtle Court, Edisto and Waccamaw Avenues, Enoree, Seneca, and Combahee Avenues, Catawba Avenue between Edisto and St. James, St. James extension behind the City Tennis Center, the east side of Pickens Street between Enoree and Heyward, the north side of Heyward Street between Pickens and Waccamaw, Santee and Congaree Avenues and Wheat Street between Harden Street and Saluda Avenue.
- Section 4 Members who are present at meetings are entitled to vote. There shall be proxy voting in the event that a member may not be present at a meeting. Proxy votes shall be delivered in writing to the Secretary in advance of any meeting or election. Each member shall have one vote, and no member shall have more than one vote. All actions of the Association must be adopted by a majority vote of the members present and voting.
- Section 5 A majority vote of members attending the annual membership meeting (Article 3, Section 1) is required to implement or change dues assessments.

Article 3 - Membership Meetings:

- Section 1 A General membership meeting shall be held at 5:00pm on the second Sunday of March each year.
- Section 2 Additional general membership meetings shall be called by the President when he/she deems such meetings necessary, or when presented with a request for such a meeting signed by 20 members of the Association. At least one week's advance notice shall be given prior to any general membership meeting held under the provisions of this Section.
- Section 3 All registered members shall be notified of membership meetings in advance. Public notice of membership meetings shall be provided in advance.

Article 4 - Officers:

- Section 1 The officers of the Association, listed below, shall be elected by a majority vote of the Association members present and voting at the general membership meeting held in March of even numbered years.
- Section 2 The President: It shall be the duty of the President to preside over all general membership meetings, to represent the organization on public occasions, and to make such appointments (including the chairpersons of committees) as she/he shall deem advisable for the effective conduct of the work of the organization.

- Section 3 The Vice-President: It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to assist the President as the latter requests, to represent the organization on appropriate public occasions, and to fulfill the duties of the President if she/he is unable to do so.

- Section 4 The Secretary: It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record the proceedings of all general membership meetings, to maintain adequate records of the organization's activities, to conduct such official correspondence as shall be required, to provide a sign-in roster for all meetings, and to keep a record of this list. The Secretary will provide a copy of the minutes for distribution to members.

- Section 5 The Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to safeguard, disburse, and make reports of funds obtained when called upon and to collect and record dues.

Article 5 - Dues:

- Section 1 Membership dues are established by majority vote of the Association. Contributions are made payable to the Wales Garden Neighborhood Association and forwarded by mail to the Treasurer.

- Section 2 Association members will mail dues to the Treasurer in January.

- Section 3 The fiscal year of the Association will run from January 1 to December 31.

Article 6 - Accountability of Funds:

- Section 1 No expenditure of funds shall be authorized except on the approval of a majority of the officers or a majority vote of the Association members voting at a general membership meeting.

- Section 2 A complete report of receipts and disbursements shall be made by the Treasurer at each general membership meeting.

Article 7 - Amendment:

- Section 1 These by-laws may be amended by a majority vote of any general membership meeting, provided notice of such amendment shall be given to the officers one month prior to voting on such a change.

Article 8 - Implementation:

- Section 1 These by-laws supersede any previous by-laws or legal document adopted by the Wales Garden Neighborhood Association.

- Section 2 The first election of officers under these By-Laws shall be held on March 10, 2002. Persons thus elected shall serve until the elections to be held in March 2004. Pending elections in March 2002, current officers shall serve in their positions until that date.

- Section 3 In the event that an officer is unable to serve his/her term, the remaining officers may select a replacement member who will serve until the next scheduled elections.

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