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<p>ARTICLE VI NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS OF BOARD OFFICERS</p> <p>4. Every Board Member attending said meeting in person, or remotely in the event of remote meeting, shall be entitled to one (1) vote, for each Board Officer position.</p> <p>5. The Board shall record each Board Member's vote for a Board Officer position and the District Manager shall make the Board's voting record available to the public (as permitted by the OML) by maintaining a record of the written vote (separate from the minutes) that is available to the public upon request to the District Manager.</p> <p>6. The candidate for a Board Officer position who receives a majority of the votes cast at the duly constituted, full Board meeting shall be deemed elected to such office.</p> <p>ARTICLE VI (continued)</p>	<p>4. Every Board Member attending said meeting in person, or remotely in the event of a remote meeting (if allowed by law), shall be entitled to one (1) vote, for each Board Officer position.</p> <p>5. The Board shall record each Board Member's vote for a Board Officer position and the District Manager shall make the Board's voting record available to the public (as permitted by the Open Meetings Law) by maintaining a record of the written vote (separate from the minutes) that is available to the public upon request to the District Manager.</p> <p>6. The candidate for a Board Officer position who receives a majority (50% +1) of the votes cast at the duly constituted, full Board meeting shall be deemed elected to such office.</p>	<p>Clarifies that remote voting must be allowed by law.</p> <p>Clarifies an abbreviation.</p> <p>Underlines meaning of "majority".</p>

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<p>ARTICLE VI (continued)</p> <p>6.a. In the event that no candidate shall receive a majority, then a second vote shall be had upon which the members of the Board in attendance shall consider only the two candidates having the highest number of votes on the last preceding vote for an office.</p> <p>6.b. Further votes shall be taken until one candidate shall have received a majority of the votes of Board Members of the Board present and entitled to vote during the presence of the quorum.</p>	<p>6.a. In the event that no candidate shall receive a majority, then a second vote shall be had at that meeting upon which the members of the Board in attendance shall consider only the two candidates having the highest number of votes on the last preceding vote for an office.</p> <p>6.b. Further votes shall be taken at said meeting until one candidate shall have received a majority of the votes of Board Members of the Board present and entitled to vote during the presence of the quorum.</p>	<p>Clarifies timing of runoff vote.</p> <p>Clarifies timing of runoff vote.</p>

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<p>ARTICLE VIII DUTIES OF BOARD OFFICERS 1. Duties of the Board's Chairperson</p> <p>1. d. To waive a public hearing after obtaining permission from a quorum of a majority of the appointed Board Members.</p>	<p>1. d. To waive a public hearing after obtaining permission from a quorum of a majority of the appointed Board Members.</p> <p>1. w. To ensure that yearly performance evaluations of the District Manager and Office Staff are completed.</p>	<p>Eliminates item in violation of City Charter.</p> <p>Codifies the importance of an annual evaluation as a standard human resources best practice.</p>

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<p>ARTICLE X COMMITTEES OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD</p> <p>1. The Board shall have the following Standing Committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Access and Disability b. Airport c. Capital/Expense & Budget/Planning d. Community & Economic Development e. Consumer Affairs f. Education/Library g. Environmental Protection h. Health/Senior Service i. Housing j. Land Use and Zoning k. Legal, Legislative and Parliamentary l. Office Staff m. Parks/Recreation & Cultural Services n. Public Safety o. Street Festivals/Special Events p. Transportation q. Veterans r. Youth Services 	<p>1. The Board shall have the following Standing Committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Capital/Expense & Budget/Planning b. Consumer Affairs & Licensing c. Environmental Protection d. Housing e. Land Use and Zoning f. Office Budget and Staff g. Parks/Recreation & Cultural Services h. Public Safety l. Transportation j. Other committees established by the chair or board as needed such as Access & Disability, Community & Economic Development, Youth Services, etc. 	<p>Allows future boards to determine committees they would like to form and better matches the existing committee structure.</p>

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<p>ARTICLE XIII REMOVAL PROCEDURES</p> <p>1. Removal of Board Officers</p> <p>Any Board Officer may be removed from office for cause in the following manner:</p> <p>a. A motion to institute removal proceedings for cause can be made at any monthly meeting of the Board. Approval of such motion shall be made by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the entire appointed Board Members present during a regular monthly full Board meeting.</p> <p>d. Upon report of said committee, three-quarters (3/4) vote of the entire Board Members is needed to approve the motion for removal.</p>	<p>1.a. A motion to institute removal proceedings for cause can be made at any monthly meeting of the Board. Approval of such motion shall be made by a majority vote of the entire appointed Board Members present during a regular monthly full Board meeting.</p> <p>1.d. Upon report of said committee, a majority vote of the entire appointed Board Members present during a regular monthly full Board meeting is needed to approve the motion for removal.</p>	<p>Normalizes removal vote threshold.</p> <p>Normalizes removal vote threshold.</p>

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<p>ARTICLE XIII REMOVAL PROCEDURES</p> <p>2. b. The procedure for the removal of a Board Member shall be the same as the procedure set forth in section 1 of this Article XIII for the removal of a Board Officer. However, the vote required for the removal of a Board Member shall be a majority vote of the Board pursuant to Section 2800 of the City Charter.</p> <p>ARTICLE XIV PAID EMPLOYEES</p> <p>2. Removal of the District Manager</p> <p>a. The District Manager can only be removed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire appointed Board Members.</p>	<p>2. b. The procedure for the removal of a Board Member shall be the same as the procedure set forth in section 1 of this Article XIII for the removal of a Board Officer. However, the vote required for the removal of a Board Member shall be a majority vote of the Board pursuant to Section 2800 of the City Charter.</p> <p>2. a. The District Manager can only be removed by a majority vote of the entire appointed Board Members present during a regular monthly full Board meeting.</p>	<p>Removes a redundancy.</p> <p>Normalizes removal vote threshold.</p>

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<p>ARTICLE XIV (continued)</p> <p>3. Duties of District Manager</p> <p>d. Attends regularly monthly and special Board meetings and Executive Committee and Standing Committee meetings.</p>	<p>3. d. District Manager shall be present at all Regular Monthly Meetings, Special Meetings, and Public Hearings. District manager may be present at Committee and Working Group meetings.</p> <p>o. During the months of July and August (when board is not active), refers any committee related matters that require urgency or typically an advisory vote to the attention of the Board Chair and respective committee chairs to determine if special session is needed.</p> <p>p. Compile monthly reports to the board summarizing constituent service calls in the previous month, highlighting any issue generating outsize public interest.</p>	<p>Lessens the burden of meeting attendance for the District Manager and removes task not required by City Charter.</p> <p>Ensures reporting and communication through inactive summer period.</p> <p>Ensures Board awareness of community-raised concerns.</p>

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<p data-bbox="233 289 457 358">ARTICLE XV CONSTRUCTION</p> <p data-bbox="233 630 655 695">ARTICLE XVIII AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS</p> <p data-bbox="233 748 688 971">4. Ratification of an amendment of these Bylaws shall only be made by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board Members present and voting at the next regular monthly, full Board meeting.</p>	<p data-bbox="779 402 1243 505">The Board Chair must appoint a committee to review the bylaws for every year ending in a "5" or "0".</p> <p data-bbox="779 743 1234 966">4. Ratification of an amendment of these Bylaws shall only be made by a majority vote of the Board Members present and voting at the next regular monthly, full Board meeting.</p>	<p data-bbox="1331 402 1759 427">Ensures regular review of bylaws.</p> <p data-bbox="1331 743 1829 768">Normalizes amendment vote threshold.</p>