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Members of Committee: Alvin Waters, Graham Czech, Brian Allen, Ralph Kroy, Scott Magardichian, Sidney Gold All agenda items are subject to discussion and possible Committee action

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Discussion and possible action regarding Department of Neighborhood Empowerment's (DONE) proposal for changes to code of conduct; https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/CODE-OF-CONDUCT-AMENDMENT-07162021.pdf

proposed resolution

Comments and Announcements regard BONC is strongly advised to immediately withdraw consideration of the proposed amendments to the Code of Conduct;

- In connection with future revisions of Neighborhood Council paperwork, DONE shall request the Neighborhood Councils appoint a group of representatives to consult with BONC, DONE and the City Attorney on an ad hoc basis;
- An aggregate majority of those meeting shall at all times be Neighborhood Council board members;

- The initial focus of this group shall be to develop and incorporate rules under the City's recently adopted Workplace Violence Policy into the existing Code of Conduct, including appropriate enforcement actions;
- Discussion about incorporating the proposed Workplace Equity Policy shall be deferred until such a policy is formally adopted by the City, if at all; and
- Any amendments to the Code of Conduct must take into account varying degrees of conduct when considering suspension and appropriate penalties, if warranted.
- At all times, policy should require that the minimum correction necessary to address any issue be used;
- No person shall be suspended or otherwise penalized for that which is protected political speech.
- No board member or Neighborhood Council affiliate shall be required to waive rights granted under the Constitution of the United States and the State of California non agenda items by non board members.
- 4. Discussion and possible action regarding Cannabis Dispensaries within GHNNC https://outlook.live.com/mail/0/deeplink?popoutv2=1&version=20210802002.12,

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https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/los angeles/latest/lamc/0-0-0-312196

5. Discussion and possible action regarding California State Legislature regarding Government meeting held through remote: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB339,

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB361,

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB703

6. Discussion and possible action regarding the establishment of a form of a **Bill of Rights** for Neighborhood Councils.

Draft below

- Right to approve actions taken by Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and other Departments and Commissions involving Neighborhood Councils
- Right that no person shall be prevented from participation in NC activity based on religion, gender, race, religion. Disability, political affiliation, etc.
- Right to prepare governing bylaws unless proscribed by law
- Right to base participation on boards and committees only on merit
- Freedom of speech during any governmental Brown Act activity
- No limitation on activity of Neighborhood Councils beyond that voted on by the governing ordinance organization
- Right to manage and set the rules of voting process within the Neighborhood Council
- Right to define the term stakeholder
- Right to convene and participate in meetings with other neighbor councils
- Right to be considered as a priority participants at any municipal Brown Act Meeting
- Right to be informed, as a priority, of any planned zoning, structural, or any related matter within its boundary and any contiguous Neighborhood Council
- Right to be continually part of DWP MOU
- Right to appeal any decision made by a Commission, Board or Council
- Right to interact with any entity such as NGO, governmental, business etc. that could be or is involved with the neighborhood council
- Right to legally interact when not in agreement with City Attorney with an alternate legal option.
- Right to submit at least two proposed Council Files per quarter to be filed by the NC City Council representative.
- 7. Announcements by Board members

8. Adjournment

Submitted

Sid Gold

Chair GHNNC Citywide Committee

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