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GHNNC Citywide Issues Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 20, 2021– 7:00 PM
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Members of Committee: Graham Czach, 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. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items
4. 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;
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- 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.
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5. Discussion and possible action regarding the establishment of a form of a **Bill of Rights** for Neighborhood Councils.

Draft below

Resolved to adopt the LANCC proposed actions listed below, to reconsider the Code of Conduct proposed by DONE

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Resolved to adopt and submit to LANCC and to Councilman Lee to draft an ordinance to encompass the proposed draft form of a **Bill of Rights** for Neighborhood Councils.

Proposed Draft Bill of Rights for Neighborhood Councils

1. Right to approve actions taken by Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and other Departments and Commissions involving Neighborhood Councils
2. Right that no person shall be prevented from participation in NC activity based on religion, gender, race, religion. Disability, political affiliation, etc.
3. Right to prepare governing bylaws unless proscribed by law
4. Right to base participation on boards and committees only on merit
5. Freedom of speech during any governmental Brown Act activity
6. No limitation on activity of Neighborhood Councils beyond that voted on by the governing ordinance organization
7. Right to manage and set the rules of voting process within the Neighborhood Council
8. Right to define the term stakeholder

9. Right to convene and participate in meetings with other neighbor councils
10. Right to be considered as a priority participants at any municipal Brown Act Meeting
11. Right to be informed, as a priority, of any planned zoning, structural, or any related matter within its boundary and any contiguous Neighborhood Council
12. Right to be continually part of DWP MOU
13. Right to appeal any decision made by a Commission, Board or Council regarding Neighborhood Councils
14. Right to interact with any entity such as NGO, governmental, business etc. that could be or is involved with the neighborhood council\
15. Right to legally interact when not in agreement with City Attorney with an alternate legal option.
16. Right to submit at least two proposed Council Files per quarter to be filed by the NC City Council representative.
17. Fireworks ordinance Resolved that GHNNC submit to Councilman John Lee a recommendation that he create a council File regarding illegal fireworks that would address that appropriate legal actions be developed to punish those who traffic, set off or import illegal fireworks and to include in the ordinance the ability for police to enforce appropriately the ordinance.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding DONE's posting system
7. Discussion and possible action regarding redistricting map
8. Discussion and possible recommendation regarding GHNNC website
9. Announcements of Committee members
10. Adjournment

Submitted

Sid Gold

Chair GHNNC Citywide Committee

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