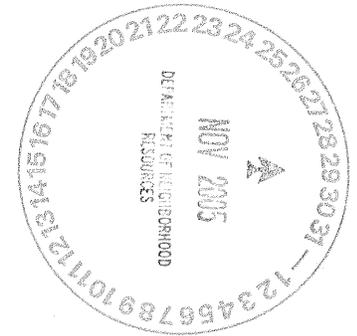


# **AMPHI NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

## **CHARTER**



This Association is formed to provide open channels of communication for the residents of the Amphi neighborhood in order that they may make informed decisions on issues which affect the quality of life in this and other urban neighborhoods.

### **ARTICLE I. NAME and BOUNDARIES**

The name shall be Amphi Neighborhood Association. It shall encompass the area bounded on the North by Roger Rd, on the South by Ft. Lowell Rd, on the East by 1<sup>st</sup> Ave, and on the West by Oracle Rd.

### **ARTICLE II. PURPOSES**

- A. To ensure the preservation on the integrity of the neighborhood and to retain established land use patterns.
- B. To provide a vehicle for neighborhood planning where open lands exist, which shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood. This planning shall include the devolvement of architecturally compatible building or other uses which shall enhance the lifestyle of the neighborhood.
- C. To prevent commercial intrusion throughout the neighborhood.
- D. To oppose the encroachment of high-rise developments or industrial interests not compatible with other structures in the neighborhood.
- E. To maintain the commuter article designation of Stone Ave. and oppose development which would measurably increase traffic hazards for schools, churches, and residents in adjoining neighborhoods.
- F. To establish a cooperative alliance with the Stone Ave. Coalition Associations for the achievement of common goals.

### **ARTICLE III. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**

Membership qualifications, officers, and committees of the association and the selection and duties thereof shall be defined in the bylaws.

### **ARTICLE IV. MEETINGS**

There shall be an annual meeting and such other meetings as deemed necessary to conduct the business of the association.

## **ARTICLE V. TERM OF CHARTER**

Upon approval, this Charter shall remain in effect until revoked or amended by a majority of voting members present at a meeting called for that purpose.

## **ARTICLE VI. DISSOLUTION OF ASSOCIATION**

This association may be dissolved by a majority of voting members present at a meeting called for that purpose. Any assets of the association may be transferred to a successor organization or such other non-profit organization as designated by the voting members at the time of dissolution of the Amphi Neighborhood Association.

## **BYLAWS AMPHI NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

Boundaries are Roger Rd on the North, Ft. Lowell Rd on the South, 1<sup>st</sup> Ave on the East and Oracle Rd on the West.

### **ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP**

- A. The membership of this association shall be residents, property owners, or businesses within the neighborhood boundaries.
- B. A voting member shall be a household or business within the boundaries of the neighborhood. Each household or business within the boundaries of the neighborhood shall be entitled to one vote. A voting member shall be one who has paid the Annual dues to the Association.
- C. Dues will be determined by the voting members. Yearly dues are to be \$ 1 . 00 per voting member.
- D. Membership shall not be denied on the basis of views or opinions contrary to the goals and purpose of the association.

### **ARTICLE II. OFFICERS**

The officers of the association shall hold office for a term of one (1) year or until their successors are elected. The term of office shall begin at the close of the Annual meeting. The officers of the association shall be President (or Chairperson), a Vice President (or Vice Chairperson), a Secretary (or Secretary/Treasurer) , a Treasurer and an Historian if deemed appropriate. The officers of the Association will comprise the Board of Directors.

- A. The President (or Chairperson) shall call and preside at all meetings, shall act for and in behalf of the membership of the association, shall appoint any special committees necessary for the operation of association business and shall act as official spokesperson for the association.

- B. The Vice President (or Vice Chairperson) shall, in the absence of the President assume all of the duties of the office and shall be responsible for publicity and notification of meetings of the association.
- C. The Secretary shall keep a permanent record of all formal meetings and all legal documents and legal transactions of the association. The secretary shall transcribe the minutes of each meeting and shall maintain a file copy of the same and submit a copy of these minutes to Department of Neighborhood Resources (DNR).
- D. The Treasurer shall keep all financial receipts and a permanent record of all financial business of the association. An up to date financial report shall be submitted at each meeting.
- E. The Neighborhood Advocates (or Area Representatives) shall be composed of an appropriate number of voting members, shall be elected by the voting membership and shall serve in the capacity of gathering and disseminating information critical to the implementation of the purpose stated in the Charter. Every effort will be made to insure that the neighborhood Advocates serve specific blocks or streets within the association boundaries.

### **ARTICLE III. COMMITTEES**

- A. The President (or Chairperson) shall have the power to appoint committees as necessary to implement the purpose of the Charter.
- B. The President (or Chairperson) shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

### **ARTICLE IV. MEETINGS**

An annual meeting shall be held during the month of November at the time and place designated by the President/Chairperson, notification shall be sent via DNR.

- A. Not less than 25 (twenty five) percent of the voting members shall have the privilege of petitioning a special meeting at any time.
- B. The voting members present shall constitute a quorum.
- C. At least a 7 day notice shall be provided in advance of any association meeting. Every effort will be made to notify all interested parties and members of the Association of upcoming meetings either by direct mailing, pamphlets, newsletters or announcements at regularly scheduled meetings.
- D. All meetings shall be open to any interested persons.

### **ARTICLE V. NOMINATION, ELECTIONS, ANNUAL REPORTS AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

- A. Nominations of officers shall be made from the floor at the annual meeting or a slate presented from the nominating committee would also be acceptable.
- B. Election of officers shall be held on the same day as nominations.
- C. Upon installation of the officers whose terms begin at the close of the Annual meeting, all documents, records, and any materials pertaining to the duties of the office as designated in the bylaws which are in the possession of the outgoing officers shall be submitted to the newly elected counterpart within 15 days of the installation.

- D. Any vacancies occurring during the year of any officer or member of the advocates shall be filled by appointment by the association advocates.
- E. Any officer may be removed from office for cause by a majority vote of the voting members.

**ARTICLE VI. FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY**

- A. Expenditure of funds of the association may not be made without the approval of at least two (2) officers including the Treasurer.
- B. Financial records and funds of the association shall be audited at least once a year by a committee of at least two (2) voting members of the neighborhood advocates appointed by the President/Chairperson prior to the new Treasurer taking office.

**ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS**

- A. These bylaws may be amended by a majority vote.
- B. Proposed amendments shall be sent to all members at least 15 working days in advance of the meeting where action is to be taken or shall be read at the preceding meeting.

**ARTICLE VIII. GENERAL**

- A. The rules in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the association, the Board of Directors and all subcommittees in all cases to which they apply and do not conflict with the specific provisions of this Charter and Bylaws or any special rules that the association may adopt.
- B. If any part of the Charter and Bylaws or the application thereof is hereafter held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall not be affected thereby, and only the affected portions are declared eliminated.
- C. No officer, representative, spokesperson or member shall have any financial liability for the association.

SIGNATURE / TITLE Rich Wick DATE: 11-17-05

SIGNATURE / TITLE Mark Gyor Vice-President DATE: 11-17-05

SIGNATURE / TITLE Mary Hurstado - Secretary DATE: 11/17/05

SIGNATURE / TITLE Fath Barringer - Treasurer DATE: 11-17-05