

BYLAWS OF DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL

ARTICLE I NAME AND AREA

The name of the organization shall be the Downtown Neighborhood District Council.

The area of the council shall be bounded on the west by Elliot Bay, on the north by Denny Way, on the east by I-5, and on the south by Dearborn, including a section of the International District east of I-5 to Rainier Ave S. between S. Main and S. Dearborn.

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

The district council shall provide leadership and facilitate communication for community-based activities within its area, coordination of projects, review of the city's capital budgets, make recommendations on issues and polices facing Downtown and recommendations on applications for matching fund grants, and help to strengthen neighborhood organizations and groups.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

A group shall be eligible for membership if it is based in a community located in the area of the Council, encourages broad based participation of residents and/or businesses, has as its objectives the preservation and enhancement of the community, and has a defined membership. Two at large positions may be appointed by voting members. No individual shall represent more than one organization.

ARTICLE IV ATTENDANCE

Each Member shall be entitled to have two regular representatives to the Council. The Council shall strive to reach decisions by consensus. Whenever a vote is required, each Member shall have one vote.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

The Council shall meet at least 10 times each year. All Council meetings shall be open to the public. Time and place of meetings shall be announced publicly.

ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

The Council shall select a President, Vice-President, and Secretary. Officers shall be elected each November. They shall serve from January to December. No individual shall serve more than two consecutive terms in any one office. The responsibilities of these officers, beyond those normal and customary, shall be defined from time to time as the Council shall deem necessary. Officer vacancy to be filled on as needed basis.

ARTICLE VII COMMITTEES AND DELEGATES TO CITY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

The Executive Committee will be the officers. The Council shall designate at least one representative from the District Council to represent the Council on the City Neighborhood Council. The District Council shall establish additional committees as needed.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended anytime by a majority of the Council. Any proposed amendment shall be voted on no sooner than the first Council meeting after that meeting at which the amendment was first proposed.