

EMERSON HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION
BY-LAWS

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CONSTITUTION

EMERSON HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

ARTICLE I

NAME

The official name of the association shall be the Emerson Heights Community Organization. The insignia "EHCO" shall identify the organization.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

The objective of EHCO is to provide representation and services to the citizens of the Emerson Heights neighborhood. As a part of the Near East Side Community Organization (NESCO), we will promote communication to improve the general well-being of the neighborhood.

ARTICLE III

Amended (see attached) 2/15/88

GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES

The EHCO area shall be that area bounded by Linwood Avenue on the west; Emerson Avenue on the east; 16th Street on the north; and Washington Street on the south.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be open to all persons who reside, work, worship, or have interest in the concerns of the EHCO area. Membership in EHCO shall be considered without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or handicap.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS AND ELECTION

The governing body of the Emerson Heights Neighborhood Organization shall consist of an Executive Board composed of ten persons. The Executive Committee shall consist of President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 1

Two persons may be elected to share the office of President of EHCO. In such a case, they shall serve as co-officers.

Section 2

Procedures for nomination and qualification for candidates shall be established by the Executive Committee.

Section 3

The officers shall be elected by the members of the organization at an annual meeting held for that purpose.

Section 4

Elected officers shall hold office for a term of one year unless removed for cause or until their successors are elected and installed.

Section 5

Upon resignation, removal for cause, or death of any officers, the President shall have the power to appoint a successor, subject to the approval of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1

- A. The duties of the President shall be to convene the Executive Board and to preside at all meetings of EHCO.
- B. The duties of the Secretary shall be to receive and keep a record of all proceedings of the organization and of its committees. The Secretary shall maintain the register of membership.
- C. The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of all funds, securities, books, and records of the organization.
- D. The Secretary and the Treasurer shall maintain proper ledgers and records and shall make them available at least once per year for audit as directed by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENTS

Section 1

Proposed amendments to the Constitution must be submitted to the Executive Board one month prior to the date determined for the next annual meeting.

Section 2

Amendments, in order to become effective, must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the members in attendance at the annual meeting.

November 9, 1990

Dear EHC0 Board Member,

Attached is the proposed Constitution for EHC0. Please read it and call me with any changes. Thank you.

Jan Suesz
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ARTICLE I

NAME

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

Notified MD re change

A PROPOSAL TO:

AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE EMERSON HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE III

GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES

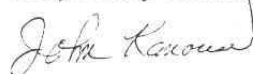
CURRENT WORDING: The EHCO area shall be that area bounded by Linwood Avenue on the west; Emerson Avenue on the east; 16th Street on the north; and Washington Street on the south.

PROPOSED CHANGE: The EHCO area shall be that area bounded by Linwood Avenue on the west; Emerson Avenue on the east; 10th Street on the north; and Michigan Street on the south.

RATIONALE

1. Except for the Emerson Theatre issue, EHCO has seldom attracted much participation from residents north of 10th Street. There has rarely been any issue that has attracted participation from residents south of Michigan Street. Should such issues develop, the Constitution provides for membership and participation from those groups in Article IV - Membership.
2. Most successful neighborhood organizations operate on a much smaller geographic scale than the current EHCO boundaries provide. The major task of a neighborhood organization -- communicating with its constituents -- is much more effectively done when operating in a smaller geographic area.
3. While some issues facing the organization involve persons living north or south of the boundaries proposed in this amendment, there tends to be a set of continuing issues that are common to residents living within the new boundaries.
4. Residents of the area from 10th Street to 16th Street and from Linwood to Emerson are in a perfect position to develop a "Little Flower East Neighborhood Organization." In fact, some of these residents are already represented by a relatively new "Little Flower West" organization. Residents of the areas south of Michigan Street ought to organize around issues which are of particular concern to that neighborhood.
5. Finally, EHCO will have a greater opportunity to become a truly effective neighborhood organization, given the smaller geographic area and the commonality of issues and concerns.

Respectfully submitted February 19, 1998,



John Kanouse