

Dearborn Hills Civic Association Bylaws

BYLAWS

DEARBORN HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE I. Name.

THE NAME of this organization shall be the DEARBORN HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE II. Object.

The OBJECT of the Dearborn Hills Civic Association, Inc., shall be to promote the Civic, Economic and Social Welfare of the people of Dearborn Hills and vicinity.

ARTICLE III. Membership.

- 1- Any person, association, or corporation, owning property in or residents of Dearborn Hills may subscribe for one membership in the Dearborn Hills Civic Association, Inc.
- 2- The membership fee shall be not less then \$5.00 nor more than \$1 5.00 per annum, which shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, payable annually in advance.
- 3- Members may be elected at any meeting of the Board of Directors. A majority vote of directors shall be necessary to elect.
- 4- Any member may be expelled by the Board of Directors, by a majority vote for non-payment of dues; or, after notice and opportunity for hearing, for conduct unbecoming a member.
- 5- Any member, upon written request of the Board of Directors, accompanied by a remittance covering the full amount due on his membership pledge, may resign from the Dearborn Hills Civic Association, Inc.
- 6- In the event of the death of a member of Dearborn Hills Civic Association, Inc., the Board of Directors shall cancel his membership pledge; in the event of the removal of a member from the vicinity or in consideration of business changes or reverses, the Board of Directors may cancel his pledge.

ARTICLE IV. Government.

THE GOVERNMENT of the Dearborn Hills Civic Association, Inc., shall be vested in a board of five directors and three trustees, who shall be nominated and elected in such manner as hereinafter provided.

ARTICLE V. Qualifications of Voters.

- 1- Voting shall be by individuals only, and no member shall cast more than one vote in person.
- 2- Members shall pay annual dues in advance before being permitted to vote or exercise other privileges of membership.

ARTICLE VI. Annual Meeting.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Dearborn Hills Civic Association, Inc., shall be held the first Tuesday in October of each year, the place and hour to be designated by the Board of Directors. Special meetings of the Association may be held at such other times as the President or Board of Directors shall determine, or upon the written request of five per cent of the members in good standing. Due notice by mail shall be given to every member. When called otherwise than by the President or Board of Directors, the notice shall contain a statement of the purpose of the meeting and shall be issued at least thirty days preceding the meeting.

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ARTICLE VII. Referenda.

Upon the request in writing of five per cent of the members in good standing the Board of Directors shall, or upon its own initiative may submit a question to the members for a mail referendum vote, the ballot for such vote to be accompanied by briefs stating both sides of the question. When stated in the request, action taken therein by the membership shall be final.

ARTICLE VIII. Funds.

The Board of Directors of this Association shall have the power to purchase, hold, sell, lease or mortgage real estate to incur debts to borrow money on the credit of the corporation, not to exceed \$1000.00, and to do any and all acts necessary to carry out the purposes of the Association.

The Board of Directors shall have the power to institute and defend legal proceedings to carry out the purposes of the Association.

ARTICLE IX. Amendments.

These bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the members in good standing in attendance at any regular membership meeting, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, provided that such proposed amendments shall be plainly stated in the call for the meeting at which they are to be considered.

Due notice by mail to every member of meetings at which such amendments are to be considered must be given at least ten days prior to the time of meeting.

ARTICLE X. Qualifications of Directors and Trustees

Directors and Trustees shall be members and residents of Dearborn Hills.

ARTICLE XI Election of Directors and Trustees.

There shall be five directors. Three shall be elected in the odd years to serve for two years and two shall be elected in the even years to serve for two years. There shall be three Trustees elected each year to serve one year. The President shall appoint a nominating committee who shall nominate directors and trustees for election. Other nominations for director or trustee may be made from the floor of the annual meeting. Election shall be by ballot and shall be held at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE XII. Vacancies.

VACANCIES by resignation or otherwise in the Board of Directors or Trustees shall be filled by the Board until the next general election only, at which time the membership shall elect a Director or Trustee for the remainder of any unexpired term.

ARTICLE XIII. Officers and Trustees.

1- Within ten days after the annual election, the Directors shall meet and elect officers for the ensuing year, a President, one or more Vice-Presidents Secretary and Treasurer, all of said officers must be members of the Board of Directors.

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2- The Treasurer shall furnish surety bonds in such amounts as the Board of Directors shall deem necessary, the cost, to be paid by the Dearborn Hills Civic Association, Inc.

3- The duties of the Officers shall be such as their titles, by general usage, would indicate; such as are required by law, and such as may be assigned to them respectively by the Board of Directors from time to time.

4- The Trustees shall assist the Board of Directors as requested and act in an advisory capacity. Additional Trustees may be appointed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XIV. Committees.

1- The Board of Directors shall authorize and define the powers and duties of all committees.

2- The President shall appoint all committees subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XV. Meetings.

1- At all membership meetings, a majority of the members present and eligible to vote, shall be required to transact any business. A Quorum shall consist of not less than ten members.

2- The Board of Directors shall meet at regular periods. Absence from three consecutive regular meetings without an excuse deemed valid and so recorded by the Board of Directors, shall be construed as a resignation.

3- A special meeting of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the President or by three Directors, provided that when called otherwise than by the President, a call shall be issued to each Director stating the purpose of the meeting, not less than three hours preceding the meeting.

4- At all meetings of the Board of Directors a majority shall constitute a quorum.

5- At committee meetings a majority shall constitute a quorum, except that when a committee consists of more than nine members, five shall constitute a quorum.

6- All questions of parliamentary procedure shall be settled according to Roberts' Rules of Order, whenever they are not inconsistent with the bylaws of this organization.

ARTICLE XVI. Fiscal Year.

THE FISCAL YEAR shall end on the 31st of December.

ARTICLE XVII. Enactment.

THESE BYLAWS shall be effective immediately following their adoption by a majority vote of the members of the Dearborn Hills Civic Association, Inc., present at a meeting duly called for the purpose, and when so adopted shall supersede all previous Bylaws and amendments thereto, which are hereby annulled.