

## *Notice of Proposed Amendment to Baker West Neighborhood Association Bylaws*

In accordance with the Bylaws, notice is hereby given by the Board of Directors that the following Bylaw amendment will be considered at the NEXT membership meeting having an Organization Quorum.

### **Amendment #2008-007:** Modify definition of Member in Good Standing

**Proposal:** Eliminate requirement to have attended at least one general meeting in the past 6 months to be considered a Member in Good Standing

### ARTICLE 3. – DEFINITIONS

**Member in Good Standing.** A member is in good standing if the Residential Address dues are current and, any other personal monetary obligations to the organization are fulfilled, ~~and any member from the same Residential Address has attended at least one (1) other meetings within the last six months. (NOTE: Definition does not take effect until after the 4<sup>th</sup> General Meeting after the first year's officers have been elected.)~~

### **Rationale for Change**

Similar to the rationale in amendment #2008-006, the founding members assumed that consistent attendance at the general meeting would be the primary indication of a successful neighborhood association. After leading the association for a year and talking to many neighbors, it is clear that participation in the general meetings is not the primary indication of a successful neighborhood association. Currently our bylaws require a neighbor to attend 1 general meeting in the previous 6 months or their basic membership privileges will be denied which includes their parliamentary right to make motions and vote and attend Baker West sponsored events at a discount when a fee applies. Therefore, we want to remove this requirement.

**Parliamentary information:** Primary and secondary amendments to these proposed bylaw amendments are in order only if they are *germane* to the proposed bylaw amendments and are *within the scope of the change proposed in the notice*. "Amendments" which do not seek to directly change the text of the proposed amendments within the limitations of germaneness and scope, but instead propose to amend other parts of the affected section amount to new bylaw amendments will be out of order. Notice of such new proposed bylaw amendments may be given when there are no other pending motions