

ALGIERS NEIGHBORHOOD PRESIDENTS COUNCIL, INC.
BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I
Organization

The Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council, in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation, shall consist of individual member organizations which represent a neighborhood organization that conforms to the requirements and standards as set forth in Article III (Membership).

ARTICLE II
Objectives

The Objectives of the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council shall be to provide a forum for the following:

1. Information exchange between Member Associations in matters of mutual interest.
2. Finding solutions to problems that affect the quality of life in Algiers.
3. Gaining recognition for Algiers and its unique residential character.
4. Networking with elected officials in city, state and federal government.
5. Undertaking projects necessary or desirable to preserve the neighborhoods and for the general benefit of residents of Algiers and the city of New Orleans.
6. The Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council shall function as a civic body.

ARTICLE 111
Membership

The following requirements must be met for a Neighborhood Organization to qualify for membership in the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council:

1. Maintain a responsible management with an executive committee of residents.
2. Conduct periodic meetings in accordance with the organization's by-laws.
3. Pay the required annual dues to the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council.
4. The Member Organization must consist of a minimum of forty-five members of which a minimum of seventy-five percent must be homeowners.
5. The President or his designee shall be the Member Organization's representative to the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council.
6. The term of membership shall be year to year consistent with the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council fiscal year (1 January -31 December).
7. The following information must be provided when applying for Council membership:
 - a. The official name of the organization.
 - b. The geographical boundaries of the organization.
 - c. The number of members in the organization and percentage of homeowners.
 - d. Provide a copy of the organization's by-laws.
 - e. Copy of organization's registration with the Secretary of State.

ARTICLE IV
Executive Committee

1. An Executive Committee consisting of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer shall be established.
2. The members of the Executive Committee shall not be entitled to compensation or expense reimbursement.
3. The members of the Executive Committee shall not be held liable for damages sustained by the Council as a result of any act of omission or commission by the Committee or any member thereof.
4. The officers of the Council shall hold office until their qualified successors are elected.
5. Any officer, elected or appointed, may be removed at any regular or special meeting by a majority vote of the Council when a quorum is present.

ARTICLE V
Duties of Officers

1. The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Council, preserve order, enforce the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws and exercise supervision of its affairs. The Chairperson shall decide all questions of procedure for the Council. The Chairperson may, but shall not be required to vote, except in the case of a tie vote in which case the Chairperson must vote to break the tie.
2. The Vice Chairperson shall assist the Chairperson in the discharge of duties and shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the Chairperson. In the absence of the Chairperson or in the event the Chairperson's office is vacant; the Vice Chairperson shall perform all the duties of the Chairperson.
3. The Secretary shall keep complete, accurate and current records of all proceedings of the Council, receive all communications, conduct all correspondence and maintain charge of all records.
4. The Treasurer shall maintain a record of the membership dues payments and receive all other monies paid to the Council. The Treasurer shall deposit all funds received into a bank account as designated by the Council. Financial obligations will be paid by check(s) signed by a signature authorized by the Council. The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Treasurer shall be the authorized signatures for banking purposes. The Treasurer shall maintain current and accurate bank account records and make monthly reports to the Council at regularly scheduled meetings. The Treasurer shall provide a proposed annual budget at the January meeting

ARTICLE VI
Nominations and Election of Officers

Nominations:

1. The Chairperson shall appoint a three member nominating committee prior to the October meeting of the Algiers Council of Neighborhood Presidents.. The Committee will select its Chairperson. The Nominating Committee shall meet to select members to fill the positions of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. The Nominating Committee shall get prior approval that a member being considered for nomination will be willing to serve if elected to the position.
2. The Nominating Committee Chairperson shall report the nominations at the November meeting of the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council.

Elections:

1. The members of the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council, at the November meeting, shall vote to elect the officers for the next fiscal year. A nominee receiving a majority of votes cast with a quorum present will be elected to the nominated position.
2. Election may be by oral vote, show of hands or written ballot as determined by the members present at the meeting. The Chairperson of the Nominating Committee shall be prepared to provide written ballots.
3. Voting by use of proxies is not allowed in the election of officers. On all other matters proxy voting is allowed.
4. Newly elected officers will officially take office at the January meeting of the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council.

Filling Vacant Offices:

1. Should a vacancy occur in any office (other than the office of the Chairperson), the Chairman may appoint an interim replacement or call a special election to elect an interim replacement who will, in either case, serve until the next regularly scheduled election of officers.
2. Should a vacancy occur in the Chairperson's office the Vice Chairperson shall call a special election to elect an interim Chairperson who will serve until the next regularly scheduled election of officers.
3. Serving as an interim replacement does not prohibit election to that office at the next regularly scheduled election of officers.

ARTICLE VII
Meetings

1. Regular meetings of the Council will be held at the time and place designated in the notice provided at least seven days prior to the meeting on the fourth Tuesday of each month. With proper notice the meeting time, date and place may be changed to accommodate circumstances. There will be no regular meetings in July and December.
2. Special meetings of the membership may be called by the Chairperson or five members in good standing upon receipt of a notice with agenda provided seven days prior to the date of the meeting. Only agenda items may be discussed at special meetings.
3. Executive Committee meetings may be held upon request of the Chairperson or the Vice Chairperson in the absence of the Chairperson.

ARTICLE VIII

Dues

1. An annual Council membership fee shall be established by the Council at a level deemed necessary to provide the funds required to meet the financial obligations of the Council. The level of funds collected should be sufficient to accomplish the goals and objectives of the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council.
2. The annual dues are payable to the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council. Annual dues must be paid not later than the January meeting.
3. The annual membership fee may be adjusted by a two thirds affirmative vote of the members in good standing at a regular or special meeting.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments

1. The Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council By-Laws may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members in good standing in attendance where a quorum is present at a regular or special meeting where By-Laws are on the agenda.

ARTICLE X

Standards

The following standards shall govern the relationship between members and the Council:

1. Each member organization shall retain its distinct identity, administer its own affairs and pursue its own internal policies.
2. Each member organization shall maintain a responsible management capability with an executive committee of residents meeting in accordance with their organization's by-laws.

NOTE: The By-Laws listed in this document were unanimously approved by a vote of Council members where a quorum was present at the scheduled regular meeting of the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council on 28 August 2007.