ARTICE VIII: MEETINGS

All meetings, as defined by the Ralph M. Brown Act (*California Code Section 54950 et seq.*), shall be noticed and conducted in accordance with the Act and all other applicable laws and governmental policy.

Section 1: Meeting Time and Place.

All physical meetings shall be held within the Council boundaries at a location, date and time set by the Board or their Committees.

- A. Regular Meetings Regular Board of Officers Council meetings shall be held at least every two (2) months and may be held more frequently as determined by the Board. Prior to any action by the Board, there shall be a period of public comment. The Board of Officers shall determine the length of time and format of the public comment period as appropriate.
- B. Special Meetings The President or a majority of the Board shall be allowed to call a Special Council Meeting.
- C. Town Halls shall be held at least quarterly and are under the jurisdiction of the Outreach Committee.

Committee agendas shall be created by the Committee Chair.

Section 2: Agenda Setting

The Administrative Committee shall establish set the Agenda for each Council meeting. the Board of Officers meetings. Any Stakeholder can request that a matter be placed on the Agenda for any Board of Officers meeting by making such request to the Secretary. If such an Agenda request is not included on the Agenda by the Administrative Committee, the President shall notify the Stakeholder in a timely manner as to why the item was not included on the Agneda. A petition signed by sixty (60) stakeholders may override this determination and require that item to be placed on the Agenda of A Board of Officers meeting within sixty (60) days.

If called by the majority of the Board, the agenda shall be set at a Brown Act compliant public meeting.

## ALTERNATE/SUBSTITUTE LANGUAGE FOR STAKEHOLDERS

Any Stakeholder and/or Board members may make a proposal for action by the Council by submitting a written request to the Secretary/President. Stakeholders can also make such a request during the public comment period of a regular Council meeting. The Secretary/President shall promptly refer the proposal to a Standing Committee or, at the next regular Council meeting, the Board shall either consider the proposal or create an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the proposal. The Council may consider the proposal at a Committee or Board Meeting.

## Section 3: Notifications/Postings

Meetings shall be open to the public as required with proper notice as mandated by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and the Brown Act. Ongoing outreach shall be performed to inform Stakeholders and Community Interest Stakeholders of meetings. The Board of Officers will abide by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioner's Neighborhood Council Agenda Posting Policy.

Policy Committee chairs must notify members when the Agenda is posted.

Minutes shall be posted on the VNC Website no later than seven (7) days after the meeting at which they are approved but not more than forty-five (45) days after the meeting at which the minutes were taken.

The Neighborhood Council shall comply with the Ralph M. Brown Act and Department requirements for posting notices, including the Neighborhood Council Agenda Posting Policy approved by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners. Notice of a regular meeting shall be a minimum of three (3) days (72 hours) in advance of the meeting and at least one (1) day (24 hours) in advance of a special meeting.

Section 4: Reconsideration

The VNC shall follow the procedure for reconsideration as described in Robert's Rules.

The Board may reconsider or amend its action through a Motion for Reconsideration process defined in its Standing Rules and either during the same meeting where the Board initially acted or during the Board's next regularly scheduled meeting that follows the meeting where the action subject to reconsideration occurred.