

Community Planners Committee
Questions for City Staff¹
January 2012

1. CPGs are frustrated that amendments to their bylaws are not being reviewed and approved by city staff. We propose that much like 2007 bylaw amendments from CPGs be bundled together for review and approval on a set schedule.
2. Policy 600-24 calls for the city to provide storage of CPG documents. What is the status?
3. Are CPGs allowed to take action “by acclamation”?
The NPPC bylaws include a provision that requires all Board elections be conducted by secret ballot. We would like to add voting by acclamation as an option under the following conditions:
 - a. When filling a single vacancy which is only filled by a vote of by the Board.
 - b. When we have only enough candidates to fill the seats available,
4. Some CPGs have seats set aside for specific purposes (Residential, Business Owner, Developer, etc) but are unable to find anyone to take that seat. Without amending their bylaws is possible to fill the seat with a non-qualified individual in the interim?
5. Under what conditions and requirements can a CPG administer a Self-Managed Maintenance Assessment District? For example would board members or subcommittee members voting on MAD issues be required to be Prop 218 eligible for that particular MAD? Could board members living outside of the MAD boundaries vote on, and participate in MAD decisions?
6. If you recuse on an item, are you allowed to vote on approving the minutes of that meeting?
7. Community Planning Committee - Distribution Form Part 2 - "please return within 30 days of Distribution of project plans". Due to scheduling of community meeting, only 1 set of plans, and lack of Cycle Comments, difficult to meet that schedule.
8. 600-24 doesn't provide guidance on operational requirements.
 - a. Would like to see general guidance beyond the Administrative Guidelines and Roberts' Rules.
 - b. Would City support Operational Policies outside of bylaws?

¹ Submitted for response by City Staff at the CPC's next meeting on January 24, 2012

9. Would like to see a better database of bylaw templates/language that CPGs can use to meet the unique needs of their community.

10. Would like to see the scope of 600-24 expanded to provide CPG participation in Traffic, Transportation, On-street Parking, Street Design, etc.

11. Copyright Material and Fair Use
 - a. Discuss the City's new direction on this issue
 - b. Define "fair use" of copyrighted materials
 - c. Define where and how fair use intersects with copyright protections
 - d. Provide guidance on how to proceed whenever a planning group receives a request for copies of protected materials
 - e. Reaffirm that planning groups are protected under the City's indemnification ordinance against legal actions that arise in connection with the planning groups' use of copyrighted materials.
 - f. Will the city's proposed general permission to distribute development plans extend to utility company plans for community wide undergrounding plans?