

BYLAWS FOR THE ESTHER SHORT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

I. NAME

The name of this association shall be called the Esther Short Neighborhood Association.

II. OBJECT

The Esther Short Neighborhood Association is established by the residents of Esther Short Neighborhood in order to unite the common interest and promote the welfare of the neighborhood and its residents. The Neighborhood Association shall concern itself with a variety of problems including, but not limited to matters affecting the livability and the quality of the neighborhood and the community in general.

III. BOUNDARIES

NORTH: South side of West 15th Street from the railroad tracks on the west, then east to the I-5 Freeway.

EAST: I-5 Freeway from the south side of East 15th Street south to the City Limits.

SOUTH: City Limits from the I-5 Freeway, west to the railroad tracks (bridge).

WEST: Beginning at City Limits, north to the south side of West 15th Street.

EXCLUSION AREA: The four block area containing the Clark County Jail and Courthouse bounded by 13th St. on the North, Franklin St. on the East, 11th St. on the South, and Harney Street on the West. The address for the Jail is 707 W. 13th St. and the Courthouse is 1200 Franklin St.

IV. MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Esther Short Neighborhood Association is open to all residents, homeowners, managers of multiple-family dwellings, and non-profit organizations within the boundaries of this neighborhood.

V. OFFICERS

The officers of the Esther Short Neighborhood Association shall be president, vice-president, and secretary/treasurer or any combination. The above officers shall preside over all meetings, planning sessions and activities of the Neighborhood Association. Officer nominees must reside within the neighborhood association boundaries for at least six months, and have attended at least two (2) consecutive meetings within the last 12 months prior to the election.

VI. MEETINGS

The board of the Neighborhood Association must meet at least twice a year or as deemed necessary by any board member. All decisions made by the Board must be confirmed by a meeting of the general membership. General meetings shall be held quarterly.

VII. EXECUTIVE BOARD

Members of the Executive Board will include the officers and the committee chairpersons. All officers must reside within the boundaries of the neighborhood.

VIII. COMMITTEES

Special committees to handle specific concerns may be appointed by the president as necessary.

IX. VOTING

All eligible members eighteen (18) years old and older are entitled to one (1) vote.

X. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Officers shall be elected annually. Vacant positions may be appointed by the board.

XI. AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

These bylaws may be amended by a vote of the membership. Proposed amendments will be published in the neighborhood newsletter prior to the next general meeting.

XII. FUNDING

Membership fees shall not bar any resident from membership or voting. Voluntary contributions, contracts, grants, subscriptions, or fund-raising activities may be used by the Neighborhood Association.

*Bylaw revisions November 26, 2001; approved by a vote of the membership January 12, 2002.
Bylaw revision to III Boundaries; approved by a vote of the membership September 20, 2007.
Bylaw revision to IX Voting; approved by a vote of the membership January 24, 2008.*