

NORTH END NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.
October 25, 2022 Election Rules & Procedures

The proposed Election Rules and Procedures are intended to apply to annual board election to take place at the annual meeting on October 25, 2022.

Voting Rights and Eligibility

1. **Member Voting Rights:** Only NENA members are eligible to vote. This includes those individuals, 18 years of age and older, who reside, work, or own property or a business within the NENA geographical boundaries (as defined in Exhibit A to the Bylaws) and are listed on the membership roll. Any individual eligible to become a member who has not yet joined NENA may join on the evening of the annual meeting.
2. **Voting Power:** Each member may cast one vote for each open seat or for each issue under consideration. Members in the same household may each cast a vote.
3. **Cumulative Voting:** Cumulative voting is not permitted. (eg, you may not cast all your votes for the same person.)
4. **Proxy Voting:** Proxy voting is not permitted.
5. **Non-votes:** Non-votes are acceptable. Members are not required to vote for every seat or vote on every issue.

Voting Procedure

1. **Open Seats:** The six even-year seats are up for election (currently held by Autumn Street, Ryndy Williams, Dallas Gudgell, Daniel Foregger, Sitka Koloski, and one currently vacant.)
2. **Notice of Election Information:** At least three weeks before the annual meeting, NENA shall provide general notice of the date, time, and location of the annual meeting.

3. **Notice Methods:** NENA shall provide general notice of the annual meeting by the City's postcard mailing, direct email, website and social media, publication in the Idaho Statesman and/or the Idaho Press as required by the Bylaws.
4. **Voting Method/Ballot Distribution:** Voting by members will be conducted by open forum with paper ballot.
 - a. In-Person Voting:
 - i. Proof of membership/eligibility for membership: Identification required, with proof of qualifying address.
 - ii. To receive a ballot, each member will check in with their name, qualifying address, and signature. If an individual is not listed on the membership list, they can become a member that evening by providing proof of eligibility, photo identification and, if photo ID does not match qualifying address, other proof of address (eg, utility bill, tax record, etc.)
 - iii. Each member will receive a ballot to be filled out and turned in without leaving the building.
5. **Quorum:** Per current by-laws, we must have a quorum of 25 members present.
6. **Election to the Board:** Candidates shall be elected to the Board as follows:
 - a. The top six candidates who (1) receive the most votes that (2) also constitutes a majority vote of the required quorum; **and** (3) who receive **at least 40 percent of the ballots cast** shall be elected to the Board. In the event a candidate does not meet all of these criteria, that candidate is NOT elected to the Board.
 - b. If six candidates are not elected to fill the six seats, any open seats will be considered a vacancy and will be filled according to the NENA Bylaws.
7. **Tabulation and Observation:** The Election Stewards, which shall consist of at least three independent individuals, shall open and tabulate the ballots immediately following the close

of voting. Observers must remain at least five feet from the area of opening and tabulation, and any observer who is disruptive will be removed. The Election Stewards will also have discretion to pause process if they encounter any issues.

8. **Reporting Election Results:** The tabulated results of the election shall be promptly reported to the Board. Within three days of the election, the Board shall give the Members general notice of the tabulated results of the election via website, social media, and email.

Candidates for the Board and Nomination Procedures

1. **Qualification of Candidates:** Candidates for the Board must be NENA members at the time of their nomination.
2. **Nominations:** Any NENA member (or eligible NENA member) may place their name in nomination for the Board or be nominated by another member by submitting the nomination to the board at ***board@northendboise.org*** at least 48 hours prior to the annual meeting. These candidates will be listed on the printed paper ballot. Nomination deadline to be printed on the ballot is **October 22nd, 2022 at 7 pm.**
3. **Late nomination:** Candidates may be nominated or self-nominate at the annual meeting. However, such individuals will not be listed on the paper ballot and will run as write-in candidates.
4. **Candidate Presentations:** All candidates who wish to run for a board seat should prepare a maximum 2-minute introduction to be presented at the beginning of the annual meeting. Voting will commence after the completion of all candidate presentations.

NOTE: The proposed bylaws (which are to be voted on at this annual meeting) would prohibit members of the same household or immediate family from serving on the board at the same time. With only eleven board members, it's important that we get a diverse range of ideas and concerns. While we do not have rules prohibiting this under the current bylaws, we strongly

advise against two or more members in this situation running for board seats. Should they both be elected, one of them would have to resign if the proposed bylaws are enacted.