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> Re: Community Involvement, Proposed Draft, 33.910 Definitions, Recognized Organization

The definition as proposed no longer specifically mentions Neighborhood Associations as Organizations which must be recognized. I believe they should be specifically mentioned for the reasons below.

The City Charter at 3.96.030 D. 1. requires the recognition of Neighborhood Associations meeting minimum requirements upon request.

Although the proposed rule would not overrule the Charter, it is appropriate to bring this requirement forward to the Community Involvement Program. This will further ensure awareness of the status of Neighborhood Associations in our City Charter as well as in our history.

It is suggested that the following wording be inserted in 33.910 after "City Code 3.96.060" and before "and organizations":

"including <u>Neighborhood</u> <u>Associations in accordance</u> with <u>City</u> <u>Code 3.96.030 D.1."</u>

Respectfully Submitted,

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