

## ARTICLE VIII - STANDING POLICIES

The following standing policies and plans shall be applicable to those conducting the affairs and business of the League:

**SECTION A - ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** All individuals involved in the affairs of the League are expected to behave in accordance with the highest ethical standards. Conflict of interest and the appearance of conflict of interest affecting Directors, Officers, committee members and staff should be identified and avoided by the League. The failure to identify and deal with conflict of interest and the appearance of conflict of interest may result, in the worst case, in actual corruption or financial harm to the League; in less serious cases, there may be a loss of credibility, or the suggestion of impaired judgment. The Board of Directors, the Officers of the League, and committee members should not be impaired, by fact or appearance, from pursuing the best interests of the League and its members.

Accordingly, the Board shall adopt a [policy](#), requiring at a minimum an annual disclosure by Officers, Directors and staff of any conflicts.

**SECTION B - PROJECT APPROVAL PROCESS:** The Board shall create a [policy](#) governing review and approval of proposed plans, proposals and projects that may come before the League, its Board and Officers (acting in any official capacity). This policy shall establish a process to guide the Board with respect to documentation review, community engagement, ongoing monitoring and post enactment or installation evaluation. Approval parameters shall be defined and included.

**SECTION C - COMMUNICATIONS PLAN:** The Board has the responsibility of conducting the business and other affairs of the League between meetings of its membership. The Board must, to the extent possible, keep the membership informed of the important matters that come before the Board, and seek members' input through both informal channels and by formally soliciting feedback at meetings and in written communications.

Additionally, it may be advisable to communicate with non-members and organizations including businesses, schools, clubs and churches in the neighborhood when they are impacted by the matters that come before the Board. Accordingly, the Board shall create a [communications plan](#) for itself, setting standards for its communication with membership and the community at large.

**SECTION D - RECORDS:** The abovementioned policies and plans shall be reviewed annually at the start of each fiscal year by the Board. These policies may be approved or amended by the majority vote of those Directors in attendance at any regular meeting of the Board.