

REFORM PETITION SUMMARY

Below is a summary of the five elements of the reform package being proposed for The Foothills Community Association. This summary succinctly explains the purpose and scope of each of the elements.

Also below is information on how to submit signed petitions so that they can be delivered to the Association's Board.

On the reverse page is a more detailed explanation of the reform package that details how and why the Bylaws would be amended.

Reform Package Summary

- 1) **Procurement:** Require a written policy on procurement that conforms with all relevant regulations of Arizona State and local governmental authorities and adheres to industry 'best practices' standards.
- 2) **Elections:** Require a written policy on elections that includes: i) a meeting of the Members at least 30 days before the election at which candidates may appear and explain their background and goals; and ii) a requirement that candidates disclose whether they reside within the FCA, and any prior bankruptcies, judgments, or felony convictions.
- 3) **Electronic Voting:** Require electronic voting for all elections and remove references to proxy voting (banned by Arizona statute).
- 4) **Bylaw Updates:** Require an annual review of the Bylaws and update to reflect changes in laws.
- 5) **Term Limits:** Require Board members to serve no more than two consecutive terms (4 years), then take a year off before running again.

Delivery Information

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Below is a summary of the five key issues in the reform package that explains how and why the Bylaws would be amended. The technical effect of the reform on the Bylaws is highlighted in **bold**.

1) Procurement Policy: The FCA had no written procurement policy until September, when it bowed to homeowner pressure and adopted one. While a start, this new policy falls short of what is needed, and it still leaves the FCA vulnerable.

Amend Section 3.10.(a)(16) to require a written policy on procurement that conforms with all relevant regulations of Arizona State and local governmental authorities and adheres to industry 'best practices' standards.

2) Election Policy: The FCA has no written election policy, and the pitfalls of this were demonstrated in the May recall election. It needs a formal policy that ensures free and fair elections and affords homeowners an opportunity to know about candidates.

Amend Section 3.10.(a) to add a new paragraph (19) requiring a written policy on elections that includes: i) a meeting of the Members at least 30 days before the election at which candidates may appear and explain their background and goals; and ii) a requirement that candidates disclose whether they reside within the FCA, and any prior bankruptcies, judgments, or felony convictions.

3) Electronic Voting: Arizona statutes now permit electronic voting, and dozens of HOAs already have adopted this new technology. Electronic voting makes it easier for homeowners to cast their ballots, which can significantly increase participation in elections. Electronic voting does not preclude anyone who wishes to submit a paper ballot from doing so.

Amend Sections 1.6., 2.4., 2.5. and 3.3. to replace references to proxy voting (banned by Arizona statute) with electronic voting; and amend Section 3.10.(a) to add a new paragraph (20) requiring electronic voting for all elections.

4) Updating Bylaws: Many Bylaw provisions are obsolete or rendered inoperative by changes to Arizona statutes. The Bylaws need to be updated to reflect the current situation.

Amend Section 3.10.(a) to add a new paragraph (21) requiring an annual review the Bylaws and updating as necessary.

5) Term Limits: Some Board members have served more than a decade. There is a clear need for new blood as the Board deals with the many serious issues it now faces.

Amend Section 3.2. to limit Board members to two consecutive terms.

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