

CONSTITUTION OF  
THE LINCOLN-VISTA CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
PREAMBLE

The purposes of the Association are to provide specifically a medium through which questions involving the civic rights and interests of the people residing in the territory hereinafter described may be dealt with; further, to provide a mechanism by which the Community may solve its internal problems; further, to develop generally and foster civic pride Within the area and encourage expression of its position on matters affecting Prince George's County and the\* State of Maryland.

ARTICLE I

The Name of the Organization shall be THE LINCOLN VISTA CIVIC ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE II

The territorial boundaries of said Association shall be as follows: all of Lincoln including Bell Road, the whole of Buena Vista, and the territory on Defense Highway from Seabrook Road to Glenn Dale Road, including Johnson Heights.

ARTICLE III

Section 1

Membership in this organization shall be restricted to persons domiciled in the above described boundaries and, interested in promoting the objectives for which the Association is organized. Membership is also extended to those persons who are property owners in the area.

Section 2

Membership is open to 18 years of age, who meet the above membership requirements.

ARTICLE IV

The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Parliamentarian. These officers shall be elected by a majority of the paid members present at the October meeting and shall hold their offices for a term of one year unless removed from office.

Delegates to the Federation of Civic Association shall be elected by a majority vote at the proper time.

Section 2

These officers may be elected for two consecutive terms. After serving such they shall be ineligible for reelection to the same position for a period of two years. They are, looked however, eligible for election to other positions. (Amended 4/20/89 See Last Page)

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Section 3

The President shall have the power to call special meetings and is hereby required to do so upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, hereinafter provided for, or upon a majority vote of the membership of the Association. Prior to that meeting, the membership shall be notified of the special meeting and the subject or subjects for consideration.

Section 4

The duties of all officers shall be as described in ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, Article X.

ARTICLE V

There shall be an Executive Committee composed of Officers and Delegates to the Federation of Civic Associations. This Committee shall also include a representative from each of the standing committees. The term of office of said Committee shall be concurrent with those of other officers. The committee shall meet on call of the Chairman or upon the request of the membership. Members present shall constitute a quorum. The President shall act as Chairman of the Executive Committee during his term of office. The Executive Committee must report its findings to the membership at either a regular meeting or a specially called meeting.

ARTICLE VI

This Association shall hold meetings once each month, at such time and place as shall be determined by the Association. Special meetings shall also be held whenever the exigencies of the business shall so require. Any monthly meeting may be suspended by a majority vote of the membership of this Association.

ARTICLE VII

Twenty-one financial members of the Association shall constitute a quorum who shall have the power to transact business. **(Amended?)**

ARTICLE VII

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of all the financial members present and voting at a regular meeting; provided, that a written notice stating the proposed amendment shall have been read at a previous regular meeting and a copy of the same presented to the Secretary.

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1. Invocation
  2. Reading and adoption of Minutes from the previous meeting
  3. Report of the treasurer
  4. Reading of communications of Standing Committees
  5. Reports of Standing. Committees
  6. Reports of Special Committees
  7. Report of Executive Committee
  8. Unfinished Business
  9. New Business
  10. Adjournment
10. MEETINGS Regular meetings of this Association shall be held monthly at 7:30 P.M. on the third Thursday at such place as shall be designated by the membership of this Association. The meetings shall adjourn by 9:30 P.M
11. STANDING\_COMMITTEES Standing Committees may be appointed by the President and shall include the following:
- Legislative
  - Membership
  - Education
  - Program
  - Refreshments
  - Recreation
  - Community Affairs
  - Public Works and Utilities
  - Civic Liberties
  - Communications
3. DUES in this Association shall be in the amount of THREE DOLLARS (\$3.00) per person per year, payable at the October meeting or when joining the Association.
4. SPECIAL COMMITTEES Special Committees may be appointed by the President upon the adoption of a motion indicating the will of the majority of the members present at any given meeting.
5. DUTIES OF COMMITTEES Unless otherwise provided, committees shall function in the usual manner in accordance with recognized procedure as outlined in ROBERT'S RULES of ORDER. No committee shall act without the approval of the majority of the financial membership.

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6. GENERAL POWERS and DUTIES The powers and duties of Officers, representatives, and members shall consist of those as outlined in ROBERT'S RULES of ORDER.
7. REMOVAL For any sufficient reason or cause, any Officer or member may be removed, suspended or expelled by a two-thirds vote of all paid members present and voting at any regular meeting.
8. AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS - The By-Laws may be amended by a majority of financial members present and voting at any regular meeting.

Section 2.

Amended 4/20/89 unanimous vote

The president maybe elected for four consecutive years only and the other officers for an Indeterminate number of years. After serving four consecutive years, the President shall be ineligible for re-election to the same position for a period of two years. All officers are eligible for election to other positions however.

BY-LAWS AMENDED NO.3

3. Dues

Amended 4/20/89 Unanimous vote

Dues in this association shall be in the amount of five dollars (\$5.00) per person per year, payable at the October meeting or when joining the association.

Section 2.

Amended 2002 unanimous vote

Adding Administrative. Officer