

**Proposed Bylaws Changes for the San Tomas West Neighborhood Association
Annual Membership Meeting, January 11, 2012**

Purpose:

To ensure due process to our members while maintaining and protecting the integrity of the organization.

Procedures:

Once a proposed amendment is announced by the Chair, there is no need for a second. Any member wishing to speak to or against an amendment should raise their hand and will be recognized by the Chair.

The motion will pass with a *majority* vote. The majority vote is based on only the number of votes cast, not the number of people present – since no one is *required* to vote. When the chair calls for the vote, it shall be conducted by ballot to ensure the privacy of each member. A YES vote means that you are in favor of adopting the proposal. A NO vote means that you are against adopting the proposal.

Amendment #1

**ARTICLE IV
OFFICERS**

Section 1 (Composition) The STWNA Executive Board, hereafter referred to as Officers, shall consist of elected members for the offices of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. The Immediate Past President shall serve at will, to be filled by the out-going President.

Section 4 (Elections) Officers are elected by the membership at the Annual Meeting by plurality vote. Voting shall be by ballot if there is more than one nominee for each position.

Officers elected in EVEN numbered years:
President and Treasurer

Officers elected in ODD numbered years:
Vice President and Secretary

The STWNA Board recommends approval of this amendment

Reason: Restructuring the Board of Directors to include only four officers makes more sense to fill vacancies. The other positions shall be filled by committee volunteers.

NOTE: All other changes to the bylaws are considered codification and do not require approval of the membership.