

POLICY AND GUIDELINES REGARDING COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES IN THE HISTORIC POWELTON VILLAGE DISTRICT

Statement: As a community, we are proud of our Federal designation as an Historic District, and we are certain that commercial establishments are aware of the benefits that they can obtain from locating in such an area.

The intent of this Powelton Village Civic Association (PVCA) policy is to maintain the traditional flavor of our neighborhood and provide general guidelines for commercial advertising signage and other related issues of concern to Powelton residents.

1. Any sign erected by an establishment within the Historic District should be in good taste and in keeping with the Victorian ambiance of the community. We are opposed to internally illuminated (back lit) signs as they are non-traditional. Lights from other sources trained directly on the sign are acceptable.
2. Any commercial establishment desiring to erect an outdoor sign should consult with the Preservation Committee of the PVCA prior to selection and installation of said sign. To aid in sign selection, a variety of Victorian sign materials are available for review through the PVCA.
3. The erection of any free-standing billboards, as well as any sign painted directly on walls, will be opposed, the latter as prohibited by City Code.
4. The PVCA is opposed to street vendors operating within our Historic District.
5. Any commercial establishment, institution, or individual placing posters or notices for sales, events, candidates, etc. throughout the community must provide for removal and proper disposition of these posters or notices no later than one week post the event advertised.
6. As an urban community, the issues of graffiti and street trash concern us greatly. We would request that commercial establishments take special steps to keep their individual sidewalks and property litter-free and to remove graffiti immediately, if it appears.

PVCA Preservation Committee:

Barbara Kane and Robin Gaither, co-chairmen, Robert Cole, James Fennel, Camile Marker, Greg Moore

Approved by PVCA Membership November 16, 1987



PVCA POLICY ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST

POLICY

1. No member of the Powelton Village Civic Association (PVCA) shall participate as a decision maker in any matter being considered by a PVCA Committee or Task Force in which that member has a conflict of interest.

2. It is primarily the responsibility of the member in the conflict on interest situation to so declare to the Chairperson of the Committee or Task Force in question and request that the proper procedure be followed. However, any other member of PVCA has the duty and the right to report an apparent conflict of interest to the Committee Chairperson, or if the Chairperson is the individual in question, to the President of PVCA.
3. Conflict of interest is limited to situations involving the member, his or her spouse, children, siblings or parents.
4. A conflict of interest situation does not remove the right of the member to speak on or present issues to the Membership, or vote on the issue in question at the PVCA monthly meeting. However, in presenting the issue, the member should disclose his or her conflict of interest.

DEFINITION

1. Conflict of interest is defined as a situation in which the member cannot exercise independence of judgment on the issue in question before the Committee or Task Force because of a direct financial interest resulting from property ownership, business activity or income generated within the boundaries of Powelton Village, or personal advancement.
2. Except for issues directly involving the sale or use of the property, the member's home is excluded as a basis for conflict of interest.
3. Factual evidence demonstrating clear status of conflict of interest is required to support any claim.

PROCEDURE

The intent of the following procedure is to safeguard the member's right to privacy and confidentiality while adjudicating a conflict of interest situation.

1. If in agreement that a conflict of interest exists, the member will temporarily withdraw from the Committee during discussion, voting or the preparation of recommendations to the Executive Committee and the PVCA membership. Once the matter has been resolved, the member may return to full Committee participation in his or her original capacity, without prejudice.
2. If the member is not in agreement that a conflict of interest exists, the member is free to discuss and resolve the issue with the Committee.
3. The member may appeal a Committee decision to the PVCA Executive Committee through the President of the PVCA.
4. It is recognized that any member has the right to appeal directly to the membership for resolution of a conflict of interest situation.
5. A member, who by virtue of his business or vocation is repeatedly or continually in a conflict of interest situation may not be eligible to serve on the Committee or Task Force in question. In the context, conflict of interest includes access to confidential information which has relevance to personal gain. The procedure for determining eligibility is the same as that for determining conflict of interest (See Procedure, Items 1-4 above).
6. This policy is subject to review annually by a Task Force appointed by the Executive Committee of PVCA.

PVCA Conflict of Interest Task Force:

Roy Yaffe, Paul Steege, Walter Lear, Gerard Bye

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