



**Whittier Alliance Community Issues Meeting
Monday, February 10th, 2020 6:30–8:00 pm
Whittier Recreation Center (425 W 26th St)**

Draft Agenda

- 6:30** Welcome & Introductions
Recognize the Standard of Conduct Policy
Review/Approve January Minutes
- 6:35** Community Updates
- WA Updates - Annual Meeting preview, Census 2020, upcoming opportunities
 - Whittier Recreation Center
- 6:45** Midtown Greenway Nicollet Ave On-Ramp Signage Project - Brigid Higgins, Whittier artist
- 6:55** Improvements to the existing Whittier/Lyndale Bikeway - Mike Samuelson, City of Minneapolis Public Works Dept
- 7:20** Discuss ideas behind proposed changes to Whittier Alliance's By-laws, collect feedback
- 7:55** Preview April Meeting
- Election of new Committee Chair for 2020-2021 term
 - Solicitation for sub-committee interests & next steps
- 8:00** Adjourn

NOTE: Proof of residency or property ownership must be verified to be eligible to vote on motions brought forward. All motions from the Community Issues Committee are forwarded to the Whittier Alliance Board of Directors for discussion and action. The Whittier Alliance Board of Directors meets on the 4th Thursday of the month. After Board action, a letter is forwarded to the presenter and the appropriate City department and Council member informing them of the Whittier neighborhood position.

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

Whittier Youth-Serving Orgs Coalition: Wed., March 18, 2020, 10:30--12pm @ Mia (2400 3rd Ave S)
WA Housing Issues Committee: Tues., Feb. 18th, 6:30--8:00 pm, Black Forest Inn Banquet Space (1 E 26th)
Eat Street Fest Visioning & Planning: Wed., Feb. 19th, 8:30--10am, WA Office (10 E 25th St)
WA Board Meeting: Thurs., Feb. 27th, 6:00--8:30 pm @ Wedge Table Community Room (2412 Nicollet Ave)
Community Organizing Workshop: Sat., Feb. 29, 10am--12pm @ SpringHouse Ministry Center (610 W 28th St)
WA Annual Meeting: Thurs., April 9th, 5:30-8pm @ MCAD Auditorium 150 (2501 Stevens Ave)

To add an item to the agenda, or for more information about this committee and any other Whittier Alliance activities, please contact the Whittier Alliance office on 612-871-7756 or info@whittieralliance.org.



Standard of Conduct Policy

This policy and the Whittier Alliance Mission are to be prominently displayed and briefly discussed at all Whittier Alliance board/committee/task force meetings. Violation of these standards will not be tolerated and may result in immediate recess or adjournment of the meeting by the chair. Consequences for the violator may include suspension, expulsion or other action to be determined by the board.

- Arrive on time; stay until the end.
- Begin all meetings on time with introductions and an explanation of the meeting process.
- Come prepared to the meeting; read all relevant materials beforehand.
- Recognize and state when you have a conflict of interest. Do not vote on any motion that you have a stated conflict of interest.
- Make no judgmental statements.
- If you wish to speak during the meeting, raise your hand and the Chair will do their best to recognize each person in order. No one shall have the floor to speak until they are recognized by the Chair; be respectful and wait until you are recognized by the Chair.
- Do not interrupt the Chair or another speaker. Don't speak at the same time. Speak in a respectful manner. Do not raise your voice.
- In the event a motion is made and there is debate on said motion, there will be up to three speakers for the motion and up to three speakers against the motion and the Chair will alternate between for and against speakers. Each speaker shall have up to one minute to speak. After three speakers for the motion and three speakers against the motion have spoken (or less if no others wish to speak) the debate shall close and the body shall vote on the motion.
- The Chair has authority to remove any person or animal from the meeting who violates the Standard of Conduct Policy.
- Talk about issues; not people.
- Don't criticize those who are absent.
- Ask questions when you do not understand. There are no stupid questions.
- Don't monopolize conversations.
- Keep confidential information confidential.
- Talk about meeting issues at the meeting, not in the parking lot afterwards.
- Silence all cell phones and turn off electronic recording equipment for the duration of the meeting.
- Electronic recording of Whittier Alliance meetings is prohibited from call to order to adjournment. (Consistent with City Attorney's findings 6-04).
- End all meetings on time. Thank all attendees for their support and dedication.
- The Whittier Alliance sign-in sheets and membership list will not be shared or sold to individuals, organizations or businesses.

Conflict of Interest Policy

A conflict of interest is a situation in which a person has divided loyalties: One of the person's activities or concerns can be advanced only at the expense of another. Any time the possibility of personal or business gain could interfere with a judgment you make in a different role, you have a conflict of interest. If someone else might think you have a conflict, act as if you do. It is just as important to avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest, as it is to steer clear of an actual conflict. See the Whittier Alliance By-Laws, Article IX for additional information.

Registration & Voter Eligibility

If you live, own property or a business in the Whittier Neighborhood, you are a member of the Whittier Alliance. Per Article III, Section 3 of the Whittier Alliance By-Laws, residents can verify their voting eligibility by showing their photo ID with their Whittier address, or a photo ID plus a current utility bill, bank statement or payroll statement with their Whittier address; business and property owners must verify their voting eligibility in advance and in-person at the Whittier Alliance office according to the requirements stated in the By-Laws. For full details on membership and voting eligibility please read the Whittier Alliance By-Laws. Copies available on request or at whittieralliance.org