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Dear Neighborhood Council Leaders,

In two weeks, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners will consider this motion:

Resolved, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners recommends that sections of the city's Administrative Code which touch upon neighborhood council stakeholders be amended as follows:

- (1) remove the requirement that neighborhood councils provide governing board positions for factual basis stakeholders;
- (2) allow each neighborhood council to determine the number, if any, of governing board seats that will be allocated to factual basis stakeholders;
- (3) remove the current definition of factual basis stakeholder; and
- (4) allow each neighborhood council to adopt its own definition of factual basis stakeholder.

The commission provided 60 days for stakeholders and neighborhood councils to comment. So far, we've heard from three councils and about two dozen stakeholders. I'm not sure what the lack of response says about neighborhood councils. The city council, commission, and department have made rules and policy for neighborhood councils, frequently with scant input from the volunteers who have been forced to live with them. Over the last

decade and more, I have heard countless complaints from neighborhood council board members about the lack of consultation. Now is the moment for all of you to make your voices heard. It is as simple as replying to this email with a one-word answer: "yes" or "no". Or offer your comments in as many words as you like. Do it now or in the next two weeks, but don't say you weren't asked.



Doug Epperhart, Board of Neighborhood Commissioners

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To comment on the proposed Motion:

Visit the Commission when it meets on Tuesday, May 7, 201 at 6:00 pm (agenda attached here)

BOARD OF NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2013 - 6:00 P.M.
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