## BY-LAWSBYLAWS OF THE EDGEMONT COMMUNITY COUNCIL, INC.

(As amended throughProposed revisions for April 26, 202317, 2024, Annual Meeting)

## ArticleARTICLE I NAME AND OBJECT OF CORPORATION

Section 1. - The name of the corporation is The Edgemont Community Council, Inc. (hereinafter "("the Council")ECC").

Section 2. - The objects and purposes of the CouncilECC shall be: To ascertain the opinion and act imon behalf of the residents of the Commenitycommunity existing within the Union Free School District No. 6, in- ("the townEdgemont School District"), in the Town of Greenburgh, Westchester County, State of New York, ("the Community"), concerning matters whichthat may have a material effect on its welfare; to study, report, and coordinate community action thereon; to make the view of such residents upon pending matters, and the reasons therefore, known to the legislative, executive and administrative personnel and bodies concerned therewith; to institute legal proceedings where deemed necessary or desirable for the protection of their interests; and, in general, to plan orfor and take all actions deemed appropriate for the general welfare of the residents and the area.

Section 3.- The Community is composed of eight neighborhoods. The eight neighborhoods are: Central Park Avenue, Cotswold, Fort Hill, Greenridge, Longview, Northern Greenville, Old Edgemont, and Southern Greenville. The boundaries of these neighborhoods are as depicted in the map attached as Appendix 1 to these bylaws.

Section 4. -The CouncilECC shall not campaign for or against any candidate in any election on which residents of the Community are entitled to vote, but may advance a position for or against any questions, referendum, proposition, or other matter on which residents of the Community are entitled to vote.

Section 5. - The CotneilECC shall sponsor the School Board Nominating Committee of Union Freethe Edgemont School District6. As such it. Accordingly, the ECC shall perform the functions specified for it in the Rules and Procedures of the Edgemont School District School Board Nominating Committee, as in effect from time to time.

## ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. - The membership of the CouncilECC shall be to-open to all people at least eighteen years of age who are (a) residents of the Community and/or (b) record owners of real property in the Community. Persons eligible for membership in the CouncilECC who shall have paid dues for the current fiscal year and who shall have completed such form of application as may havebe required by the Council'sECC's Board of Directors (hereinafter "("the Board") are members of the eouncil (hereinafter "ECC ("Members").

## ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Section 1. - An annual meetingsmeeting of the Members shall be held on a date in April in each year at not earlier than 87:00 P.M. at such place within Westchester County as the boardBoard may determine, to elect directors, officersDirectors and School Board Nominating Committee designeesOfficers, as hereinafter providerprovided; to receive the reports of the President, the and Treasurer, the annual report of the directorsDirectors as required by Section 519 of the New York Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, and such other reports as may be required by law; and to take action upon such other businessesbusiness as may properly be presented.

Section 2.- Special meetings of the Members may be called by the President, by the Board upon the request of at least five directorsDirectors, or by not less than $10 \%$ of the Members. In the latterlast case, notice of the demand shall be given, in writing, to the Secretary, who shall give notice to the Members as required by law and by these by lawsbylaws. No such meeting shall be held on a Saturday, Sunday, Saturday or holiday, nor shall any such meeting commence earlier than 87:00 P.M. on any weekday, and any such meeting will be held at a place within the Community determined by the President.

Section 3.- Written notice of each annual and special meeting shall be mailed to all Members at their addresses as appearing on the books of the CouncitECC, except that no more than one notice need be given to each household, at least ten days, but not more than twenty days, prior to the meeting. Such notice shall include a statement of the matters to be presented for action, but any Member who is present at an annual meeting may present any other relevant matter to the meeting for consideration. Any matter not set forth in the notice of an annual meeting may not be acted upon at such meeting.

Section 4. -The presence of one hundred Members entitled to east one hundred votesvote or 5 percent of the total number of votes entitled to be cast, whichever is less, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meetings of the Members. Those present atAt any meeting at which a quorum is not present, the Members may adjourn the meeting to a time (but not earlier than 8:00 P.M. on any weekday) and place within the Commenity.consistent with Section 2 of this Article. If a quorum shall not be present at any membership meeting, and those present do not fix aan appropriate time and place for the adjourned meeting, the President shall call such meeting; to and select the be held at a time and place in the Community, selected by him on a the weekday and time (but not earlier than 8:00 P.M.) to be selected by him thethe President consistent with Section 2 of this Article. The President shall schedule such meeting shall be resumed, which shall be notfor a date no later than twenty days after the date of the adjourned meeting.

Section 5. - Each Member present at any meeting shall be entitled to cast one vote on all matter which may bematters properly noticed and brought before the meeting. Voting by proxy shall not be allowed.

## ARTICLE IV DUES

Section 1. - Membership dues shall be forapply to each fiscal year in such amount as may be determined by the Board-from time to time. If a person who resides in the Community has paid such dues, any other person in his or hertheir immediate family residing with him or herthem who is himself or herself isthemselves eligible for membership shall be entitled to all membership privileges, except as otherwise provided herein, without application therefor or payment of dues.

## ARTICLE V DIRECTORS

Section 1. - The affairs and activities of the CouncilECC shall be conducted by athe Board towhich shall consist of twenty-three Members ("the Directors") who shall have the authority to exercise all of the powers of the CouncilECC except the powersthose which are by law or by these by lawsbylaws reserved to the Members. The directorsDirectors shall not be personally liable for the debts or obligations of the Council. Elected directorsECC. Directors are expected to attend the regular monthly meetings of the Board and cooperate in promoting the objects and purposes of the CouncilECC.

Section 2. -Fifteen directorsDirectors (the "Elected Directors") shall be elected by the Members. Five directorsDirectors shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Members, each for terms of three years. Each Member present at the meeting shall be entitled to one vote for each directorship which is to be filled, and the five persons receiving the largest number of votes shall be chosenDirectors. Additional directorsDirectors shall also be elected at each annual meeting to fill theany vacancies required to be filled at the annual meeting pursuant to Article V , Section 4, of these by lawsArticle V.

One directorDirector and an alternativealternate for such directorDirector may be appointed from each of the following civic associations: The Cotswold Association, Inc., Old Edgemont Association, Fort Hill Association, Greenridge Association, Longview Civic Association, Northern Greenville Civic Association, Southern Greenville Civic Association, and Central Park Avenue Civic Association. Such direetorsDirectors shall each serve for a term of one year.

If, on or before March 15 of any year, a civic association is inactive, the Edgement Community Council nominating committeeECC Nominating Committee, comprised as outlined in Section 4 of Article VII, Section 4, may: (i) accept nominations to fill the directorship and alternate allocated to the civic association directly from residents of the area represented by the affected civic association; and (ii) thereafter select an individual to fill each vacancy from the nominations received. Any such directly made nominee/selectee must be a resident of the area covered by the affected civic association. The nominating committee ECC Nominating Committee shall select the candidate(s) to fill any vacancy by a plurality of the vote of-Council Members at the annual meeting of the membership.

The Board may adopt, and transmit to the aforesaid civic associations; such regulations and procedures as may seem it to bedeems appropriate relativewith respect to the manner in which the identity of appointed directorsDirectors shall be certified to the President.

Section 3. -The Board shall hold a regular monthly meeting, except in July and August, at a placetime and en a dateplace to be determined by the Board at its first meeting following the annual meetingsmeeting of Members. Two day'sdays' written notice of all regular Board meetings shall be given to the Directors by mail- by the President or the President's designee. Special meetings may be called by the President or any group of five directors and shall require not less than-Directors upon at least five (5) day'sdays' written notice by mail. Any directorDirector may waive notice of a meeting, in writing, and the attendance efby any director Director at such meeting shall be deemed to be a waiver of notice thereof. The presence of the nine directorsDirectors at any meeting of the Board shall constitute a quorum while a vote of at least seven members at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of directorsDirectors.

Where references are made within this Section 3 of Article V to the DirectorsDirectors' communicating by mail or in writing, they may use telephones, e-mail, email and other forms of digital correspondence may be used instead of traditional mailU.S. Mail. Any votes taken using these methods will needbe subject to meet the standard quorum requirement of this Section.

Section 4. -The office of an elected directorElected Director shall become vacant upon the occurrence of any of the following events $\because:$ (1) the death of the directorDirector; (2) the director ceases to be eligiblecessation of the Director's eligibility for membership in the CouncilECC under Article II; (3) the receipt of a written statement of resignation from the director is receivedDirector by the President or First Vice- President; (4) removal for not fulfillingthe failure to fulfill the duties of the office or for-misconduct in office; or (5) the failure to pay membership dues within a reasonable time following notice to such effect being given-by the Treasurer of the CouncilECC. The removal of a directorDirector from office requiredrequires the recommendation of a majority of the efficers of the CouncilOfficers as defined in Article VI and a vote of three-quarters of the directorsDirectors present at a regular monthly meeting of the Board, with this matter placed upon the agenda prior to the meeting. If the office of any elected directorElected Director shall become vacant before the expiration of thistheir term, the vacancy shall be filled by a vote of a majority of other directorsDirectors for a term to end on the $30^{\text {th }}$ last day of June next following. the current fiscal year. If the office of any appointed directorDirector or alternativealternate shall become vacant before the expiration of his or her term, the vacancy shallmay be filled by appointment by the affected civic association making the originat appeintment, for the unexpired term of such directorship.

Section 5.- No person may serve more thethan six consecutive full years as an elected director. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Secretary and the Treasurer, while serving in their respective offices, may each serve concurrently as a director without limit as to the number of years served.Elected Director.

Section 6. -Attendance requirements of the directorsDirectors of the CouncilECC shall be set at a minimum of $51 \%$ of the regularly scheduled meetings determined by the Board at its
first meeting following the annual meeting of Members and as posted on the CouncilECC website for the respective sehoolfiscal year. Should such requirements not to-be met by a Director efor Officer during the duration of the annual calendarfiscal year, this may result in actions including the removal of said Director or Officer by the process listeddescribed in Article 5 Section 4 of these by lawsArticle V.

## ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

Section 1. -The officers of the CouneitECC ("the Officers") shall be the President, First Vice -President, Second Vice -President, Treasurer, and Secretary, all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Members and who shall serve for a term of one year each. Any Member of the CouncilECC shall be eligible for election as President, First Vice- President, or Second Vice -President if such Member is either a director elected by the membersan Elected Director whose term has not yet expired or is elected by the Members as a directorDirector at the same annual meeting at which such Member is elected to such office. If no directorDirector is willing or able to fill the offices of the Secretary or Treasurer, any Member of the CouncilECC shall be eligible for the election to such offices.

Section 2. -The President shall be the chief executive officer of the CouncilECC and he shall: preside at all the-meetings of the Members and the Board; shall, report to the Members at the annual meeting and, deliver any other reports required by law or these by laws; shallbylaws, be the chief spokesperson for the Council; shall at such times as he deems proper communicate to the Members and the directors such matters and suggestions as may in his opinionECC, promote the purposes and increase the usefulness of the Council and shall see to itECC through communication to the Members and the Directors, ensure that the orders and the resolutions of the Members and the Board are carried out, and shall-perform all other duties assigned to himthem by these bylaws.

The President, or a Vice -President appointed by himthe President, shall be an ex officio member of each committee without vote of each committee established pursuant to Section 2 of Article VII-of these by laws.

Section 3. -The First Vice- President shall exercise all-of the duties of the President if the President shall be absent or unable to act, and if the office of the President shall become vacant before the expiration of the term for which he wasthey were elected, the First Vice President shall succeed to the office of the President for the remainder of the current term-and. Additionally, the First Vice President shall, in general, perform for the President such duties of the President as the President may, from time to time, delegate to himthem.

Section 4. -The Second Vice -President shall exercise all of the duties of the President if both the President and the First Vice-President shall be unable to act, and, if the office of First Vice President shall become vacant before the expiration of the term, the Second Vice President shall succeed to the office of the First Vice -President for the remainder of the current term-and. Additionally, the Second Vice President shall, in general, perform for the President such duties of the President as the President may, from time to time, delegate to him. The Second Vice

President shall be Chairman of the School Board Nominating Committee. This section shall supersede Edgemont School District School Board Nominating Committee Rules and Procedures A.9.(a).them.

Section 5. -The Treasurer shall collect all annual dues and money which the CouncilECC may be authorized to receive, and shall: deposit the same in $\operatorname{account(s)~in~the~name~}$ of the CouncitECC in the depositories designated by the Board; he shall-disburse the funds of the CouncilECC as authorized by the Board; he shall keep the accounts of the CouneilECC, including a roster of all Members and a record of payment of their dues; he shall-prepare the annual report of the directorsDirectors as required by Section 519 of the New York Not-forProfit Corporation Law for delivery at each annual meeting of the membersMembers; and he shall-deliver a written financial report at each regular meeting of the board.

Section 6. -The Secretary shall: act as the Secretary of all meetings of the members of the-Board and the executive committee, shallof the Executive Committee as defined in Article VII, Section 1; record the minutes of such meetings;; and shall preform such ofperform the duties of the Treasurer, other than keeping of accounts, as may from time to time be delegated to himthem by the Treasurer. The Secretary, at the request of the President, shall also prepare and post all notices of the meetings of Members, the Board, and committees, and shall take care of suchexecute correspondence as may be delegated to himthem by the President.

Section 7. -An office of an efficer of the ComneilOfficer shall become vacant upon the occurrence of any of the following events: (1) the death of the directorOfficer; (2) the director eeases to be eligiblecessation of the Officer's eligibility for membership in the CouncilECC under Article II; (3) the receipt of a written statement of resignation from the efficer is receivedOfficer by the President or First Vice- President; (4) removal for not fulfillingthe failure to fulfill the duties of the office or for misconduct in office-; or (5) the failure to pay membership dues within a reasonable time following notice to such effect by the Treasurer of the ECC. The removal of an efficerOfficer from office requiredrequires the recommendation of a majority of the officers of the CouncilOfficers and a vote of three-quarters of the directorsDirectors present at a regular monthly meeting of the Board, with this matter placed upon the agenda prior to the meeting. If any office, other than President or First Vice -President, shall become vacant, the Board may fill such vacancy until the next annual meeting of the Members.

## ArticleARTICLE VII COMMITTEES

Section 1.- The Board, by the resolution of a majority of the entire Board, shall have the power to create an executive committee (the "Executive Committee") and delegate to the committeesuch Executive Committee all of the powers of the Board, expectexcept such powers which by law may not be delegated. Such committeeThe Executive Committee shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. The executive committee, if created, and shall consist of the President, the First Vice -President, the Secretary, and threetwo other directorsDirectors designated by the Board.

Section 2. - The CouncilECC shall haveestablish and maintain the following standing committees:

1. School District
2. Fire District
3. Highways and Traffic
4. TownECC Nominating
4.2.Governmental Affairs and Budget
5. Zoning and Planning
6. Legal
7. each of whichNewcomers
8. Programming
9. Public Safety

Each standing committee shall have such powers with respect to the matters embracedreflected in their titles as the Board may, from time to time, assign to them.

Members of these committeesEach committee chair shall be a Director appointed by the President, with the consent of the Board, for terms to expire onat the following last day offirst meeting of the Board after July 1 of each year, or as soon thereafter as feasible, for a term to expire the immediately succeeding June 30, and shall be subject to removal by the President at any time- at the President's sole discretion.

Members of these standing committees shall be appointed by the President from among ECC Members, with the consent of the Board, by the second meeting of the Board after July 1 of each year, or as soon thereafter as feasible, for terms to expire the immediately succeeding June 30, and shall be subject to removal by the President at any time.

Section 3. - The CouncilECC shall have such other special committees as the Board may authorize, the from time to time. The chair and members of whichspecial committees shall be appointed by the President from among ECC Members, with the consent of the Board. Each such committee shall continue until its final report has been made to the Board or until it'sits earlier dischargeddischarge by the Board.

Section 4. A nominating committee consistingThe ECC Nominating Committee shall consist of at least five person, nemembers, not more than shall be appointed by the President, with the consent of the Board, prior to Febrtary 15 of each year.may be Directors. Neither directorsDirectors eligible for re-election as elected directora Director at the next annual meeting of Members nor the President, First Vice -President, or Second Vice -President (unless they will not stand for re-election for any such offices) shall be eligible upento serve on the nominating committee. MembersECC Nominating Committee.

If a neighborhood has an active neighborhood association, the President of the nominating committeesuch neighborhood association or the President's designee shall be an additional member of the ECC Nominating Committee. For a neighborhood association to be considered active, it must have held an annual meeting within the past twelve months and during such annual meeting elected a president in accordance with the rules of the association's bylaws.

Any member of the ECC Nominating Committee may be nominated for director or efficer or to be an Elected Director or an Officer of the Board or a member of the School Board Nominating Committeerepresentative or alternate, but shall be excluded from the meeting while their election as nominees is acted upon-voting on nominations for the office for which they are being considered.

The Chairman of the nominating committee shall be selected by the President. ItThe ECC Nominating Committee shall, not later than the $4^{\text {st }}$ day of last Monday in March inof each year;: (1) designate a candidate for each directorship, office and School Board Nominating Committee representative and alternateoffice to be filled at the next annual meeting of membersMembers, (2) designate a candidate for Chair of the School Board Nominating Committee in accordance with the SBNC Rules and Procedures, and (3) designate a candidate for each vacancy on the School Board Nominating Committee in accordance with the SBNC Rules and Procedures.

Any other personsperson may be placed in nomination for any position to be voted upon at the annual meeting of Members by petition signed by any ten (10)-Members and filed with the Secretary at least seven (7) days prior to the annual meeting except that anyand such person otherwise eligible who has indicated an interest in being a candidate for the Council's School Board Nominating Committee representative or alternative in accordance with the procedure set forth in subpart (1) of Section 1 of Article V $\Psi$ shall (absent withdrawal) be deemed a nominee for such position to be voted upon at the annual meeting of Members. In case of more than one candidate for any position, a paper ballothe election for such position shall be held by paper ballot.

Section 5. -Each year, a silver bowl award special committee consisting of five persons, at least one of whom shall be a directorDirector and at least one of whom shall not be a directorDirector, shall be appointed by the President, with the consent of the Board, prior to February 15 -of such year to serve for such year.. The silver bowl award committee shall identify, not later than the last Monday in March of suchthat year, an individual to be presented, at the immediate upcoming Annual Meeting, with the Silver Bowl Award for their at the next annual meeting in April. The Silver Bowl Award for "outstanding service to the Edgemont community"" The award" is the highest honor that can be bestowed on an Edgemont resident in recognition of their volunteer publie-service to the Edgemont community.

## ARTICLE VIII

## SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING-COMMHTTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Section 1. The President shall include in two isstres of the Edgemont Newsletter the following: (1) in the first issue the date by which and the appropriate names and addresses of persons to whom those desiring to be considered for the position of School Board Nominating Committee representative or alternate by the Council should indicate their interest; and (2) in the second issue the names of all persons who have indicated a desire to be considered for the position of School Board Nominating Committee representative or alternate of the Council and the date and place of the election with respect thereto. The issues of the Edgemont Newsletter in which such information shall be placed shall be on the same issues as those in which the
president decides to inelude similar information for the other participating organizations of the School Board Nominating Committee.

Section 2. One School Board Nominating Committee representative shall be elected each year for a two year term by plurality vote by the Members at the annual meeting of the Members; in addition, an alternative shall be elected each year for a one-year term by plurality vete by the Members at the anmal meeting of Members.

Section 3. The position of School Board Nominating Committee representative or alternate shall become vacant in the same circumstances as is set forth for elected directors under Section 4 of Article V. A vacancy in the position of School Board Nominating Committee representative shall be filled by the alternative representative. $\Lambda$ vacancy in the position of alternate representative shall be filled by the Board of Directors, to serve until the next anmaal meeting of Members.

Section 4. If for any reason, on or before March 15 of any year, a civic association does not have two (2) designated members to the School Board Nominating Committee and at least one (1) designated alternate member to the School Board Nominating Committee, then the Council Board of Directors may: (i) accept nominations to fill any such vacancy directly from residents of the area represented by the affected civic association; and (ii) thereafter select an individual to fill each vacancy from the nominations received. Any such directly made nominee/selectee must be a resident of the area covered by the affected civic association. All such nominations shall be noticed in accordance with Section 1 of this Article. The Council shall select the candidate(s) to fill any vacancy by plurality of vote of Council Members at any regularly scheduled meeting of the Council. The term of any SBNC member thusly selected shall be 1 year. This section shall stpersede Edgemont School District School Board Nominating Committee Rules and Procedures 4(d).

Section 5. Each School Board Nominating Committee representative and alternate shall meet the eligibility requirement specified in the Edgemont School District School Board Nominating Committee Rules and Procedures, provided, however, that if, for any reason, a civic association does not have two (2) designated members to the School Board Nominating Committee and at least one (1) designated alternate member to the School Board Neminating Committee on or before March 15 of any year, the Council Board of Directors may fill any such vacancy in compliance with the Council's by Laws. If there shall be any conflict between these by Laws and the Edgemont School District School Board Nominating Committee Rules and Procedures, the former shall prevail.

## Article IX

MISCELLANEOUS
Section 1. - The Fundsfunds of the CouncilECC shall be deposited in a bank or banks designated by the Board subject to withdrawal by check signed by the Treasurer or President. In addition, the Fundsfunds of Councilthe ECC may be invested in short term, secure instruments authorized by the Board such as registered money market mutual funds.

Section 2. - The fiscal and operating year of the CouncilECC shall commence on the first day of July in each year and end on the last day of June in the following year.

Section 3. -All persons elected at each annual meeting, as well as the directorsDirectors appointed by the associations listed in Section 2 of Article V, Section 2, shall take office on the first day of July following their selection or appointment.

Section 4. -No expenditure of the funds of the CouncilECC shall be made except upon authorization of the Board, but the Treasurer shall have the power, without further action by the Board, to pay bills for obligations theretoforepreviously authorized by the Board within the limits of such authorization.

## Article $X$

Section 5. The ECC shall indemnify its Directors, Officers, committee members, and volunteers to the fullest extent permitted by the law of the state of New York.

## ARTICLE IX

## AMENDMENTS

Section 1. -These by lawsbylaws may be amended, altered, or repealed, in whole or part, at any meeting of the Members, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Members present, provided that the proposed amendment, alteration, or repealerrepeal shall be stated in full or in substance in the notice of the meeting.

Appendix 1

## MAP OF EDGEMONT NEIGHBORHOODS



