

CONNECTIONS NEWSLETTER JUNE 2018

Next Delegate/Member Meeting

Saturday, June 9, 2018 Brookdale University Park 2020 S Monroe St., Denver, CO 80210 Hosted by Brookdale Senior Living

PROGRAM

8:30 am - Networking and coffee 9:00 am - INC Program and Committee Reports 10:15am - Fred Weiss and Laura Morale from DPS will be presenting the Parks Alcohol rules at this meeting

From the President

Fellow Citizens of Denver:

A fundamental right afforded to the American Citizen is the **RIGHT TO VOTE,** to "Participate in the Process." If one has the opportunity to vote and chooses not to do so, in essence that person is saying, "I don't care", "my vote won't count", or "things won't change." Well, you are right; unless you vote, they won't change!

In the last Presidential election, over 40% of the voters chose not to exercise this right. Closer to home, in the last Denver Municipal General Election, out of over 400,000 Denver Registered Voters, only 23% voted for the Mayoral candidates. There was a slightly higher percentage rate for Council Members-At-Large at 27%. In some Council Districts, a few hundred votes would have changed the present City Council makeup.

The opportunity for change arrives again next May. To put this in the right context, hundreds of thousands of young men and women have given their last full measure so that we may continue to exercise this most cherished of freedoms, please don't squander it.

GOD Bless America. George Mayl, INC President 2018-2020



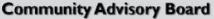
Memorial Day is a day for remembering and honoring military

personnel who died in the service of their country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday in May each year.



INC's Bylaws Committee will be presenting significant changes to INC's Bylaws in the near future, for delegate approval. The changes are part of a project to bring our governing documents up to date and to be in compliance with Colorado Revised Non-Profit Act (Act) and as a tax-exempt corporation as defined in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (Code). After the Bylaws reach approval from the Board and Delegates, the Committee will update the Standing Rules of Operations.

The committee was originated under JJ Niemann, former INC President. Members of the committee are: Margie Valdez, Chair, George Mayl, INC President, Loretta Koehler, INC Vice President, Jane Lorimer, originator of Standing Rules and Tom Mobley, former INC Board member.





City Advisory Board & Commissions Opportunities

Barry Burch is the Director of Boards and Commissions. As a result of a recent request from INC's President, moving forward, INC will receive notifications from their offices regarding vacancies on Boards and Commissions. INC promotes civic engagement by the private sector to help influence and shape decisions impacting Denver's dynamic growth.

To learn more about boards and commission opportunities that might meet your skills and areas of interest, please visit:

http://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/mayors-office/about-theoffice-of-the-mayor/boards-commissions.html

There, you will find the names of Advisory Boards and Commissions, and respective current board members and term end dates. INC members and other interested Denver residents are welcome to contact Mr. Burch anytime with questions and/or concerns. <u>barry.burch@denvergov.org</u>

City Advisory Committee- Group Living

Planners leading the Group Living Text Amendment project held the first meeting of the advisory committee meeting, which brought together 45 community advocates, subject matter experts, city leaders, and representatives of neighborhood groups and organizations and facilities serving at-risk populations. Committee members will be

serving in sub-committees focused on specific topics and uses. Purpose of this group is to help evaluate existing regulations and provide insight into community needs and potential solutions. The Denver Planning Board and City Council will consider advisory committee recommendations before City Council adopts any amendments to the Denver Zoning Code.

The first community meeting for the project is being planned for June 2018. More information will be available on this website closer to the date.

http://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/community-planning-anddevelopment/zoning/text-amendments/Group Living.html

Current RNO and INC representatives:

Chris Coddington – Old San Rafael Neighborhood Mimi Florance - Swallow Hill Neighborhood Michael Garcia - Pinehurst Country Club HOA Michael Henry - Capitol Hill United Neighbors

John Hayden – Curtis Park Neighborhood Loretta Koehler – INC (VP) Jim Lewis- Pinehurst Country Club HOA Joel Noble - INC (Executive Committee) Bill Rutherford – Southmoor Park West Neiahborhood Patrick Sutton - Unidentified

Is Denver's Popularity Fading?

"More people looking to move out than in, according to Redfin study - Rise in home prices one factor that could be affecting migration patterns" Denver Post May 26, 2018, had an interesting article related to this topic.

https://www.denverpost.com/2018/05/26/people-moving-out-denver-redfin-study/

Next Registration Period for Registered Neighborhood Organizations

A benefit for a registered neighborhood organization with the City of Denver is that your neighborhood is notified of changes impacting your neighborhood such as zoning, historic building designations and various applications (marijuana outlets, liguor establishments, etc.)

INC voting members are from RNO's who choose to join INC. (www.denverinc.org)

The next open enrollment period with the City of Denver begins in **July**. Please see this website for instructions and other information. https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/community-planning-anddevelopment/registered-neighborhoods.html

INC Membership

INC has two classifications of members. Registered Neighborhood Organizations (RNOs) and Associates. RNO's assign representatives to attend INC meetings and they are the voting members. For information about membership in INC, please either email <u>membership@denverinc.org</u> or see information on our website at <u>https://www.denverinc.org/membership/</u>

INC Board of Directors

| POSITION | NAME | EMAIL |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| President | George Mayl | president@denverinc.org |
| Vice President | Loretta Koehler | vicepresident@denverinc.org |
| Secretary | Open | |
| Treasurer | Steve Nissen | treasurer@denverinc.org |
| Delegate-at-Large | Hank Bootz | Boardmember 4@denverinc.org |
| Delegate-at-Large | Drew Dutcher | Boardmember 5@denverinc.org |
| Delegate-at-Large | Jane Potts | Boardmember 1@denverinc.org |
| Delegate-at-Large | Maggie Price | Boardmember 2@denverinc.org |
| Delegate-at-Large | Bridget Walsh | Boardmember 3@denverinc.org |

INC's Board of Directors are elected in March of each year. Directors must be delegates from their respective RNO's.

Committee Chairs

| COMMITTEE | NAME | EMAIL |
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| Budget | Greg Sorenson | budget@denverinc.org |
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Committees are open to all Denver residents. Please see INC's website for details about when meetings are held.