

Airport Green Neighborhood Association

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September 2022

Notice of Annual Meeting

Wednesday, November 2, 7:00 p.m.

In the Evergreen Conference Rooms 2 & 3

of the Evergreen Public Schools Administrative Offices
at 13413 NE LeRoy Haagen Memorial Drive (across NE 136th Avenue from Winco Foods)

Following the business portion of the meeting, and the refreshment break, there will be a presentation by Ms Bethany Wray of the Watershed Alliance of Southwest Washington on making back yards a sanctuary for wildlife, and the process for obtaining a Backyard Habitat Certification.

Annual Meeting Agenda includes

- President's Report
- 2022 Audit Report
- Vote on proposed amendments to the AGNA bylaws
- Election of 2023 Executive Board



A ballot with nominations will be presented at the meeting, and nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Note: There are proposed amendments to the AGNA Bylaws which will be voted on. An Executive Summary and the proposed amendments, which will authorize a mail-in ballot election during a health crisis or regional disaster, are provided in this newsletter.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED!

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Recycling Tips from Katya Williams

AGNA's 2022 Recycling Champion

I learned a lot during my Recycling Academy training session. Among them is the fact that all of the materials we recycle get sorted by an automated system. If the wrong items are recycled, they can be misread by the system and it can stall the process, requiring a human worker to go in and fix the issue with bare hands – that can be potentially dangerous.

Therefore, I am sharing a few common mistakes:

DO NOT recycle lids (any lids) unless they are screw on lids. Tin can lids (for example soup cans) do NOT go in recycling. Those need to be wrapped and disposed of in garbage while the can itself goes to recycling.

DO NOT crush aluminum or tin cans (soda/beer cans, any cans) – everything must remain in its original 3D shape.

DO NOT recycle paper/cartons smaller than a standard postcard size.

DO NOT recycle any soft plastic containers (example: salad mix containers). Rule of thumb: if you can squish it with your hand, it's not recyclable.

Thank you for your efforts to recycle right!

Recycling 101: Additional Tips

PLASTIC BAGS AND WRAP

In an effort to recycle as much as possible, many people mistakenly put their plastic bags in their blue recycling carts. Plastic bags, shrink wrap, bubble wrap, and other types of "stretchy" film plastic are recyclable – but not at the curb! These items regularly tangle the machinery that is meant to sort out our recyclables at our recycling facility. Instead, plastic bags, film, and wrap can be properly recycled by placing them in the receptacles found near the front of most grocery stores.

ELECTRONICS

E-Cycle Washington is a program that provides free recycling of computers (including laptops and tablets), monitors, TVs, portable DVD players and e-readers. Peripherals and accessories such as mice,

printers, and scanners are NOT covered under the program, although they may be accepted by the recycling drop off sites for a fee. For recycling locations, call 1-800-recycle or visit ecyclewashington.org.

LIGHTBULBS

Fluorescent tubes, compact fluorescent tubes, and high intensity discharge lights can be recycled for free throughout Washington. Both individuals and businesses can drop off lights for recycling thanks to the LightRecycle Washington product 2 stewardship program. Visit LightRecycleWA.org to find a collection site near you.

BLOCK FOAM

Free year-round options for Clark County residents! Drop off clean and dry white block foam at a recycling depot for no charge during open hours. Clark County residents can recycle block foam only at Agilyx in Tigard, OR. Check The Recycling A-Z Directory for hours and locations: cityofvancouver.us/publicworks/page/garbage-recycling.

CLUTTERED MAILBOX?

Reduce paper waste and opt out of unwanted mail coming your way.

Marketing and Promotions: Contact the Direct Marketing Association (DMA) to request that your name be removed from marketing mailing lists. Make your request online at dmachoice.org, by email to consumer@the-dma.org, or by phone at (212) 768-7277.

<u>Telephone Directory</u>: You can opt out of receiving a telephone directory at yellowpagesoptout.com.

<u>Catalog Choice</u>: Catalog Choice offers a basic service to opt out of unwanted catalogs, coupons, credit card offers, and circulars delivered to your home or business for free. Additional services are available for a fee. catalogchoice.org



President's Message

Yay! We will have an in-person Annual Meeting this year! It will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 2, in the Evergreen Conference Rooms 2 & 3 of the Administrative Offices of the Evergreen Public Schools on Leroy Haagen Memorial Drive. (Our Neighborhood Cleanup was held in the parking lot last May.) Access to the meeting rooms will be directly from the west side of the building.

An addition to the business meeting at this year's gathering will be the consideration of amendments to the AGNA Bylaws. Please read the Executive Summary and the exact language that is proposed to address a situation, such as the COVID-19 pandemic

we have endured the past two years, when an inperson annual meeting would be impractical. Since the Proposed Bylaws Amendments pertain to a single issue, there will be an "up or down vote" on them. The specific procedures for conducting the mail-in



ballot election (used for the past two years) are posted on the AGNA website. Please contact me with any questions you may have.

If you are a voting member and unable to attend the annual meeting, please use the proxy designation form provided in this newsletter to authorize someone else to represent you at the meeting. This will help us achieve a quorum and conduct the necessary business at the meeting.

Ross Montgomery, AGNA President montre2ecs@aol.com, 360-281-9948

AGNA Seeks Parks Foundation Grant

The Executive Board has authorized President Ross Montgomery to seek a Community Grant from the Clark Parks Foundation to fund a replacement water station for Hearthwood Park. The water station would consist of four features: A bottle refill, a regular water fountain, an ADA water fountain, and a dog water dish! The application has been submitted for the 2023 grant cycle for awarding next spring.

The Clark Parks Foundation looks more favorably on grant requests that contribute a sizable amount of the funding needed for the project. AGNA is only able to contribute about 25% of the estimated \$10,000 for the water station's purchase and installation. The foundation posted AGNA's Grant Project on its website (parksforclark.org/ hearthwood-park/) which will allow private donations to the project. Please check the website for your opportunity to help fund the water station for the benefit of all park users – be they two-legged or four-legged!



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Seasonal Checklist

- Northwest Natural offers free yearly appliance inspections, including turning on gas valves and lighting pilot lights. Call 800-422-4012 to schedule an appointment. If you smell a gas odor, go outside and call 800-882-3377!
- Check/clean your chimney and flue before starting that first fire.
- Be prepared for power outages by having flashlights and batteries handy. Consider attaching a key chain with a small LED light to lamp pull-chains for a quick and convenient light source.
- Check expiration dates on food and medicines in your emergency kit and replace as needed.
- Clean dryer exhaust vents and hoses, including the space below the lint screen.
- Clean or replace furnace filters and condensation hoses.
- Check/clean your roof gutters and downspouts.
- Check the operation of, and batteries in, household smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.
- Replace any smoke alarm over ten (10) years old due to eventual failure of the internal particle-detection laser.

- Each home fire extinguisher should be checked for the status of the charge. Check with the manufacture's guide to determine if the contents are dry chemicals which must be shaken periodically until it sounds like shifting sand inside. Check the manufacture date and replace if twelve (12) years old. (Non-working or expired extinguishers can be disposed of at the Household Hazardous Waste collection site at Central Transfer on Saturdays and Sundays. They should NOT
- If your fire extinguisher is not needed at your house following a severe earthquake, place it on the curb in case it is needed by a neighbor.

be put in waste bins!)

Have faucet covers and crawl space plugs handy to install if a severe freeze is forecast in order to prevent pipes from freezing and bursting. Crawl-space vents should be kept open as much as possible to prevent mold and to disperse radon.

Summary of the Proposed Bylaws Amendments

The Proposed Bylaws Amendments, though they are contained in two separate articles, address a single issue: Formally allowing the Executive Board to authorize an election utilizing a "mail-in ballot" when an in-person annual meeting is impractical due a health crisis, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, or a regional disaster, natural or otherwise. AGNA utilized a mail-in ballot election in 2020 and was forced to do so again last year. Although there have been no complaints regarding the mail-in ballot elections, it is prudent that the AGNA Bylaws have procedures in place should they be necessary in the future.

The Proposed Bylaws Amendments affect the authority of the Executive Board to declare a mailin ballot election when necessary, and tasks the AGNA secretary with overseeing it — which has happened in 2020 and 2021. (Our thanks to AGNA Secretary Donald Weir and the Election Committee.) The mail-in ballot election must be conducted using the board-approved mail-in ballot election procedures utilized the past two years. They are available for review on the AGNA website or by a request to the current AGNA president, Ross Montgomery, whose contact information is in the President's Message on page three of this newsletter.

Proposed Amendments to the AGNA Bylaws

Article VII. Duties of Officers

A. Secretary:

- 1. Shall keep minutes of all meetings of the board and association.
- 2. Shall distribute minutes of board meetings.
- 3. Shall perform AGNA clerical duties as requested.

Proposed Amendment

4. Shall conduct a mail-in ballot election, when authorized by the Executive Board, in the event an in-person election is not practical due to a health crisis or regional disaster. The Secretary will chair an Election Committee, whose members are appointed by the Executive Board.

Article IX. Meetings

A. General Membership:

- 1. Notice shall be given, via the AGNA newsletter, at least fourteen (14) days before any general meeting and a board approved proxy form shall be included with that notice.
- 2. One (1) Annual Meeting shall be held in November each year and shall include:
 - a. Election of the Executive Board.
 - b. Presentation of an Audit Report for approval by the voting members.

Proposed Amendment

- 3. In the event of a health crisis or regional disaster which makes an in-person Annual Meeting impractical, the Executive Board may authorize a mail-in ballot election to be held. The mail-in ballot election procedures will be posted on the AGNA website and provided to any member upon request.
- 4. Each voting member is entitled to cast one (1) vote, as well as one (1) vote for each proxy he or she represents.
- 5. A quorum shall consist of twenty percent (20%) of the total number of voting members, with Proxy votes accepted and counted as part of that twenty percent (20%), at any general Membership or Annual Meeting.
- 6. A majority of the voting members in attendance, including proxy votes, shall be required to decide an issue, if a quorum is present.
- 7. Twenty percent (20%) of voting members may call, by petition, a special meeting that must be held within thirty (30) days of receipt of the petition.

END OF PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

Important Information Regarding Voting Eligibility

Those shown below are voting members as of September 19, 2022. If you have submitted a Permanent Membership Application but your name does not appear on the list, contact AGNA President Ross Montgomery, 360-281-9948, immediately. In order to establish voter eligibility for the Annual Meeting, **new applications must be received by Ross no later Thursday, October 27.** An application is provided in this newsletter.

List of voting-eligible Members as of September 20:

Abston, S.	Crothers, S.	Holmes, S.	Mill, E.	Smith, K. & L.
Ainslie, B.	Cunningham, B. & J.	Jacobson, S.	Miller, C. & G.	Smith, S.
Albright, M. & S.	Dasgupta, A.	Kelley, B.	Montgomery, R.	Smith, T.
Amador, M.	Dasgupta, Shi.	Kheyap, R. & T.	Nading, K. & M.	Sowards, D.
Amies, P.A. & W.T.	Dasgupta, Shu.	Kirsch, C.	Nelson, M.	Stevenson, S.
Barber, E. & R.	Davidson, J. & L.	Kraemer, J. & L.	Nichols, M. & T.	Stewart, C.
Beach, T.	Davidson N. & S.	Krauser, L. & S.	Nunnelley, B. & M.	Stivison, A. & J.
Becket, S.	Donovan, J. & S.	Krug, M.	Olson, B.	Thompson, M.
Berg, F.	Doolittle, C. & D.	Lader, G. & K.	Olson, L.M.	Tognalda, S.
Blackman, E. & J.	Early, B. & K.	Lafferty, M.L.	Ostrom, S.	Upfeld, E.
Bogar, K.	Eckrich, N.	LaRue, B. & D.	Patel, A. & B.	Van Bladeren, J.M. & R.
Bounds, A.	Espey, B. & D.	Lawson, N.	Pierro, C. & S.	Vanderpool, B.
Boyd, C. & L.	Felton, A.	Leach, B. & E.	Potts, M.	Vanderveer, H.
Brookins, S.	Felton, C. & T.	Lealos, D.	Powell, J. & L.	Vernon, W.
Brouhard, B. & C.J.	Fogleman, C. & P.C.	Leeper, C. & R.	Pruett, J.	Vitale, A. & G.
Bryan, C.	Forrest, D.	Litsey, G. & T.	Reese, A. & S.	Walker, C.M.
Bugley, J.L.	Forrest, W.	Little, B. & J.R.	Rickard, D. & K	Walker, S.
Byles, B.	Funkhouser, J. & S.	Lockhorn, L. & R.	Roberts, J. & K.	Webster, L.
Byrne, M. & V.	Gates, A. & E.	Louie, A.	Sanchez, F. & R.	Weir, C. & D.
Carroll, T.	Gingerich, K. & S.	Lyall, R.	Sargent, J. & S.	Wetchler, A. & D.
Chea, L. & M.	Graves, B. & T.	Martin, Ke. & Ki.	Schalk, E.	White, G. & S.
Chung, A.	Green, D. & R.C.	McClanahan, B. & Y.	Schmitke, D. & H.	Wiktorek, R. & S.
Collins, J. & P.	Green, M. & W.	McCormick, J.	Schwarzott, K.	Williams, A. & E.A.
Conroy, S. & T.	Haberlock, Je.	McElhenney, L.	Shelton, D.	Wilson, G. & S.
Cooper, B. & J.	Haberlock, Jo.	McDaniel, J.	Sherman, K.	Wood. D.
Cromwell, R.	Haukeli, M.	McIlvena, I. & P.	Smith, C.	Zeller, J.

Proxy Designation Form

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Name of the person to do the voting

The person designated above understands that this proxy designation form must be presented at the membership table prior to the quorum call made at the meeting.

This proxy designation supersedes and nullifies any proxy designation authorized previously for this meeting and remains valid if the meeting must be rescheduled due to circumstances beyond the control of AGNA.

Member's name	Signature	Date
Member's name	Signature	Date
Member's name	Signature	Date

Proxy Designation Form approved by AGNA Executive Board on January 14, 2015

AGNA Permanent Membership Application

Application information is for AGNA purposes only!

Check the box(es) that apply: Current resident(s)	
■ Property owner(s)	
Check box if you do <u>NOT</u> want your name(s) publish	ned as a voting or dues-paying member
NameSi	gnature
Street/property address	
Mailing address	
PhoneE-	mail(1)
Date of SubmissionE-	mail(2)
	ned membership application, provided it is received at e. All residents or property owners 18 years or older are dues is <i>not</i> required to register.
Please submit your signed application with a \$12 check to AGNA (voluntary dues) to: Ross Montgomery AGNA President & Membership Chair 14012 NE Airport Drive Vancouver, WA 98684	Current members: Detach & submit with check for voluntary dues payment if there Is no change in personal information, such as phone number or e-mail address. By checking this box, I request my house number be painted on the curb.

Application for non-profit organization or business licensee can be obtained by contacting the AGNA Membership Chairperson.