



## PROCEDURE TO ESTABLISH A FORMAL BCN RESOLUTION

### • MOTION THAT BCN CONSIDER TAKING A POSITION

- A member makes a motion to consider a BCN Resolution Vote, which must include formal language that will be in the BCN Resolution, e.g. "I make a motion that BCN formally oppose bike lanes on Peachtree Road south of Peachtree Battle."
  - The motion must have a second from the floor
- After discussion, a Yea/Nay vote will be taken at the meeting as to whether the proposed position should be considered for a formal vote by the entire Board of Directors.
  - Alternatively, if members do not feel like they have enough information, then the motion to consider a BCN Resolution Vote can be tabled and the Board will attempt to bring in speakers to address the merits, both pro and con, of the position under consideration.

### • RESOLUTION VOTE

- If motion to consider a BCN Resolution Vote is approved by a simple majority at the Board meeting, the language of the proposed BCN Resolution will be distributed via email to the designated BCN representative for each member neighborhood as quickly as possible, preferably within two days.
- Each neighborhood gets one vote which is to be cast by the designated BCN representative.
- Votes must be YEA/ NAY/ ABSTAIN
- BCN Resolutions are passed only with the affirmative vote ("YEA") of a 2/3 majority of all paying member neighborhoods, and only with the affirmative vote ("YEA") of the "most directly affected neighborhood(s)." As an example, if there are 20 member neighborhood, a resolution can only pass if there are at least 14 affirmative YEA votes, regardless of the number of neighborhoods who submit a vote. As such, a vote of ABSTAIN or not submitting a vote at all is effectively a "NO" vote.

### • "MOST DIRECTLY AFFECTED NEIGHBORHOOD"

- If a proposed resolution addresses an issue that directly affects only one or two member neighborhoods, then BCN will not pass a resolution that is averse to the affected neighborhood(s) official position. What constitutes a "most directly affected neighborhood" will be determined by the Executive Committee of BCN at their sole discretion. As an example, the 400 flyover ramps directly affected Lindridge Manor Neighborhood. If there was a proposal for BCN to support building the flyover ramps but Lindridge Manor was officially against it, then the proposed resolution would not pass.

### • TIMING

- In order to give each neighborhood time to have discussion and make a meaningful evaluation of the proposed BCN Resolution, there will be at least a two-week period (14 calendar days) for consideration by the various neighborhood entities, but may be extended by the Executive Committee depending on the circumstances.
- The 14-day time period will begin when the BCN Resolution is distributed to the neighborhood representatives. When the BCN Resolution is distributed, it shall include the deadline by which neighborhood votes must be received. Any vote submitted after that time will not be counted and will effectively be a "NO" vote.

### • REPRESENTATION

- Upon paying their annual dues, each member neighborhood must appoint a single contact person with a designated email address to represent their neighborhood.
- All votes on resolutions must be received from the designated individual's email address to represent the neighborhood. A designated Representative and/or email addresses may not be changed while a BCN Resolution is being voted on