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# RCSC officials propose bylaw, board policy changes Some residents ask why the rush

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Recreation Centers of Sun City officials will propose sweeping changes to the corporate bylaws to the board during the next meeting and some residents want to know what the rush is.

On the agenda for the 9 a.m. Thursday, March 28 meeting at Sundial Recreation Center, 14801 N. 103rd Ave., are eight motions to revise sections of the bylaws, another motion for additional bylaw changes and another motion to integrate 25 board policies into the bylaws. The motions come in the final board meeting before the RCSC board meetings will go fully public.

Included in the proposed changes is eliminating the board's work sessions, which have been closed door meetings, including to cardholders, and the monthly member/director exchange meeting. If approved, the new bylaws will have the RCSC board meeting twice monthly, with both meetings open to cardholders.

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closed door work sessions," said Jerry DeLano, RCSC board president.

Some residents questioned the board during its March 11 member/director exchange, wondering why the hurry in passing the bylaw changes. Mr. DeLano explained it was partially to document the change in meeting structure. But residents believe not all the proposed bylaw changes need to be approved so quickly.

"Members have not been able to participate in the development of these [proposed changes]

documents," Kat Fimmel said. "But you said these were under consideration for months."

Because the changes are extensive, she asked why the board vote was not timed later to allow members to provide input.

Mr. DeLano said residents had two opportunities to provide their input on the bylaw changes — the March 11 exchange meeting and the upcoming board meeting, at which a vote will be taken.

Ms. Fimmel also questioned folding the board policies into the bylaws. Mr. DeLano said that was being done to make things easier for all concerned. Resident Bill Pearson asked how many of the bylaws and/or policies needed to be changed to accommodate the open meetings.

"You could have changed just those that had to do with open meetings and left the rest for the open meetings process," he said.

Resident Ida Eisert also asked where in the corporate documents it stated all the bylaw changes must be made now. Neither got a definitive answer to their questions.

While most of the proposed bylaw changes are cosmetic — correcting language, etc. — there are some significant alterations. Just one section of the bylaws deals with board meetings.

One change adds a section to address a property passing to life estate or remaindermen. It would allow only two life estate owners to be members until the termination of the life estate interests. Only two life estate or remaindermen, if applicable, will be allowed as owners. Documentation will be required to authenticate life estate or remainderman status.

Officials also propose changes to the section dealing with incident reports. The change would mean first and second incident reports against a

cardholder within a three year period will result in notification and a request to fill out a report giving their side of the incident. If found in violation, the cardholder will be notified to cease the activity. A third incident report within three years will result in the cardholder being required to appear at a hearing.

Regarding the requirement owners maintain their property as their primary Arizona residence, language will be added to exempt that requirement in the event of longterm

medical relocation and the occupancy status has not changed.

A proposed change will also add exemptions to preservation and improvement payment upon exchange of a property.

The proposals include an added section to prohibit drones from being flown on, over or to land on RCSC facilities unless specifically contracted to do so by RCSC officials.

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**The Anne Report:** Other motions include:

- approving \$6,000,000 for the Grand Avenue Property without a vote of the Members;
- claiming closed records according to Title 10, which is against Title 33's open records;
- bringing motions forward without discussion at the first board meeting like they did for the 92-page motions at the March 11, 2019, meeting;
- removing privileges if you forget to sign in to use the swimming pool, etc.;
- paying another PIF when the last person dies who paid it for the property;
- presumed quorum for membership meeting if not challenged and power to adjourn membership meeting until a quorum is present were both removed;
- allowing only in-person ballots for membership meetings where Title 33 allows for absentee ballot voting;
- cannot circulate petitions on RCSC properties, just to name a few.

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