

Avon Garden Club Constitution

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I: NAME

The Club will be known as the Avon Garden Club (the "Club"). The Club is located in the City of Avondale Estates, DeKalb County, Georgia.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The purpose of the Club will be to stimulate interest in home gardening, the beautification and ecological stewardship of Avondale Estates. The Club will accomplish its purpose by:

1. providing educational programs and action in the fields of civic improvement and conservation
2. recognizing civic achievement in horticulture and conservation
3. participating in noncommercial public flower shows exhibiting new varieties, exemplary examples of plants, flowers and floral arrangements

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Club is open to individuals who meet the qualifications for membership stated in the Club's Bylaws.

ARTICLE IV: EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board of the Club will consist of the following officers: President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Recording Secretary, Communications Secretary, Treasurer, Immediate Past President/Parliamentarian and any other officers determined necessary by the membership. The Executive Board will be responsible for general oversight of Club business and will meet before the General Membership meetings.

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

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1. The General Membership will meet monthly except for the months of June, July, August and December
2. The Budget Meeting will be held annually.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the members of the Club present at a meeting, provided that:

1. the proposed amendment has been recommended by the Executive Board
2. membership is given a fifteen (15)-day notice of the proposed amendment
3. a quorum is present

ARTICLE VII: NO PRIVATE BENEFIT

No part of the net earnings of the Club will benefit its members, officers, or other private persons, except that the Club is authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in Article II. No substantial part of the activities of the Club will be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence elections, and the Club will not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, the Club will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an association exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an association, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE VIII: DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Club, assets will be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or will be distributed to the City of Avondale Estates for public purposes. Any such assets not so disposed of will be disposed of by a Court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Club is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as said Court will determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.