

OVER THE RHINE

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

2015 – 2017 OTRCC Board of Trustees Nomination Form

Your name: Don Thompson

The OTRCC Board of Trustees provides leadership to the community council; plans OTRCC meetings and events; attends to OTRCC business between meetings; assures that finances are managed appropriately; works with the City of Cincinnati, OTR organizations and other community councils; and other organizations as needed or required. Trustees may represent the OTRCC to the public

Trustees are elected for a two-year term. The board of trustees elects the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer from their members. Trustees are expected to attend all board and community council meetings and manage and/or volunteer for OTRCC projects. All trustees are expected to be familiar with the by-laws and hold each other accountable to fulfill their duties and responsibilities. Unexcused absences result in removal from office (By-Laws IV-7).

What gifts/skills will you bring to the board of trustees?

- *Resident of OTR since April of 2016 (Resident and building owner in Clifton prior to that since 1989)*
- *Building owner in OTR since 2003*
- *Wireless Network Engineer for nearly 20 years*
- *Traveled heavily for 12 years so I have seen what other cities have to offer.*
- *Problem solving is one of my strongest skills. Good at evaluating all the facts and finding solutions.*
- *Not afraid to take on tough tasks and taking them to completion.*
- *Good organizational skills*
- *Good documentation skills*

What are some things that you would like to work on and to see happen during your term as a trustee?

Would like to see the efforts that have been made to bring OTR back as a viable residential community to continue and would like to do whatever I can to help that happen. Would like to see the revitalization of our community parks so everybody can enjoy them. Besides a stronger residential community, I would like to see more businesses and commercial establishments in the community to bring jobs and people to the area. I would like to do anything I can to help reduce crime and also keep the neighborhood clean.

Your contact information:

Address: 1655 Hamer St (residence), 1706 Vine St Fl 1 (mailing address) OTR resident? (circle one) Y N

Telephone number: 513-560-1846 Number of years OTRCC member: 1

Please complete and email this page to otrcboard@googlegroups.com by **February 31, 2016**.

Thank you for your interest in the OTRCC Board of Trustees.

**By-Laws of the Over-the-Rhine Community Councils, Inc.
Amended and Approved July 30, 2012**

Article IV. Board of Trustees

Article IV-1. The thirteen trustees of the community council shall consist of the president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and nine at-large trustees. These officers and trustees shall form the board of trustees and perform the duties prescribed in these by-laws.

Article IV-2. The board of trustees will conduct emergency business of the community council between meetings of the members. A quorum shall consist of seven trustees in attendance at any meeting.

Article IV-3. The membership, by majority vote, may grant additional decision-making power to the board of trustees or revoke any decision-making power from the board of trustees.

Article IV-4. All actions taken by the board of trustees will be submitted to the membership for ratification no later than the next regular member meeting.

Article IV-5. No member may hold more than one office at the same time. Effective April 25, 2011, no member may serve more than three consecutive terms as a trustee.

Article IV-6. The board of trustees will, at all times, be subject to the decisions of the membership and none of the board's actions shall conflict with any actions taken by the membership.

Article IV-7. Trustees shall attend all board meetings. Unexcused absences from four board meetings per two-year term will result in removal from office.

Article IV-8. Any five members may petition to have any officer or trustee recalled for cause. Once the secretary receives written notice listing the grievances, written notice shall be given to the membership at least fourteen days prior to the next regular meeting, and the recall petition shall become the first order of business at that regular meeting. Members may recall a sitting officer by a two-thirds majority vote, after due deliberation, at the next regular meeting.