

# Community Assembly Core Values and Purpose

## **CORE PURPOSE:**

Provide a vehicle to empower neighborhood councils' participation in government.

## **BHAG:**

Become an equal partner in local government.

(This will be further expounded upon in the Vivid Description. What does this mean to you?)

## **CORE VALUES:**

**Common Good:** Working towards mutual solutions based on diverse and unique perspectives.

**Alignment:** Bringing together the independent neighborhood councils to act collectively.

**Initiative:** Being proactive in taking timely, practical action.

**Balance of Power:** Being a transparent, representative body giving power to citizens' voices.

## **VIVID DESCRIPTION:**

The Community Assembly fulfills its purpose, achieves its goals, and stays true to its core values by its members engaging each other and the community with honest communication and having transparent actions in all of its dealings. Community Assembly representatives are knowledgeable and committed to serving their neighborhood and their city as liaisons and leaders.

The Community Assembly initiates and is actively involved early and often in the conception, adoption and implementation of local policy changes and projects. The administration and elected officials bring ideas to the Community Assembly in the forming stages for vetting, input and participation. The Community Assembly is a valuable partner to these officials and neighborhoods in creating quality policy & legislation for the common good.

The Community Assembly stimulates participation in civic life among our residents. Citizens that run for political office will believe in the importance of partnering with the Community Assembly and neighborhood councils. Those candidates' active participation and history with neighborhoods contributes to their success, enhancing successful partnerships between the Community Assembly and local government.