

People's Association (Community Development Councils) Rules

Table of Contents

1 Citation

2 Definitions

3 Community Development Councils

4 Districts

5 Constitution of a Council

6 Mayor

7 Appointment and duties of Vice-Chairmen and other officials

8 Temporary members

9 Revocation of appointment

10 Resignation

11 Vacation of office

12 Filling of vacancies

13 Disqualification from membership

14 Functions and powers of a Council

15 Member's interest to be made known

16 Quorum

17 Vacancies

18 Procedure at meetings

19 Appointment of sub-committees and delegation of duties, etc.

20 Financial provisions

21 Special funds

22 Financial year

23 Accounts and audit

24 Dissolution of a Council

25 Transfer of assets upon dissolution of a Council

FIRST SCHEDULE Districts

SECOND SCHEDULE Financial Rules

Legislative History

PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION ACT
(CHAPTER 227, SECTION 9(2)(a) AND (b))

PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION
(COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCILS) RULES

R 2

G.N. No. S 162/1997

REVISED EDITION 1998

(15th June 1998)

[29th March 1997]

Citation

1. These Rules may be cited as the People’s Association (Community Development Councils) Rules.

Definitions

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires —

“Association” means the People’s Association constituted under section 2 of the Act;

“auditor”, in relation to a Council, means the Auditor-General or any auditor appointed under rule 23 for the Council;

[S 286/2006 wef 31/05/2006]

“Board” means the Board of Management of the Association;

“Chairman”, in relation to a Council, means the Chairman of the Council and includes an acting Chairman of the Council;

“Chief Executive” means the Chief Executive of the Association;

[S 90/2021 wef 10/02/2021]

“constituency” means an electoral division under the Parliamentary Elections Act (Cap. 218) and includes a group representation constituency;

“Council”, in relation to a District, means a Community Development Council appointed for the District under rule 3(b);

“District” means an area designated to be a District under rule 3(a) and specified in the First Schedule;

“group representation constituency” means any electoral division declared to be a group representation constituency under the Parliamentary Elections Act;

“member”, in relation to a Council, means a member of the Council;

“Secretary-Treasurer”, in relation to a Council, means the Secretary-Treasurer of the Council;

“Vice-Chairman”, in relation to a Council, means the Vice-Chairman of the Council.

[S 286/2006 wef 31/05/2006]

Community Development Councils

3. For the purposes of carrying out the objects of the Association set out in section 9(1)(c) of the Act and the activities advantageous towards, or necessary or

convenient for, the furtherance of such objects, the Board may from time to time —

- (a) designate any area in Singapore to be a District; and
- (b) appoint for that District a committee to be known as Community Development Council.

Districts

4. A District designated under rule 3(a) shall —

- (a) comprise one or more constituencies as set out in the first column of the First Schedule; and
- (b) be known by the name set out opposite thereto in the second column thereof.

Constitution of a Council

5.—(1) A Council shall consist of —

- (a) a Chairman; and
- (b) such other members, not being less than 12 or more than 80, as the Board may determine.

*[S 515/2000 wef 09/11/2000]
[S 58/2002 wef 29/01/2002]*

(2) The Chairman and other members of a Council shall be appointed by the Board on such terms and conditions and be paid such salaries or allowances as the Board may determine.

(3) Subject to paragraphs (4) and (5), the Board shall ordinarily appoint persons who are citizens of Singapore to be members of a Council.

[S 286/2006 wef 31/05/2006]

(4) The Board may, in special circumstances, appoint any person who is not a citizen of Singapore but who is a permanent resident of Singapore to be a member of a Council if the Board is of the opinion that that he is able to contribute significantly to the Council.

[S 286/2006 wef 31/05/2006]

(5) The number of permanent residents appointed as members of a Council shall not exceed 5 or 15% of the total maximum number of members for that Council as determined by the Board under paragraph (1)(b), whichever is the lower.

[S 286/2006 wef 31/05/2006]

Mayor

6.—(1) The Board may designate the Chairman of the Council for a District to be the

Mayor of that District where —

(a) [*Deleted by S 576/2001 wef 24/11/2001*]

(b) the number of residents in the District is not less than 150,000.

(2) Any person designated by the Board as a Mayor of a District under paragraph (1) shall, notwithstanding the vacation of his seat in Parliament by reason of a dissolution of Parliament or otherwise, continue to hold office as Mayor until —

(a) the expiration of his term of office; or

(b) he is directed to vacate his office by the Board.

[S 474/2000 wef 10/10/2000]

Appointment and duties of Vice-Chairmen and other officials

7.—(1) The Board may appoint from amongst the members not more than 3 Vice-Chairmen of the Council.

(2) If for any reason the Chairman is unable to act or the office of Chairman is vacant, a Vice-Chairman of the Council nominated by the Chairman, or in the absence of such a nomination, by the Council, may exercise all or any of the powers conferred, or the duties imposed, on the Chairman under these Rules or any other written law.

(3) The Board shall appoint one member of a Council to be the General Manager of the Council; and the General Manager shall also be the Secretary-Treasurer of the Council.

[S 286/2006 wef 31/05/2006]

(4) The Secretary-Treasurer of a Council shall —

(a) receive all moneys given to the Council;

(b) maintain proper books of accounts;

(c) take charge of all records;

(d) arrange for banking facilities;

(e) present statements of accounts at meetings of the Council;

(f) conduct all correspondence;

(g) keep minutes of meetings;

(h) prepare the annual report; and

(i) generally perform all duties pertaining to his office.

[S 286/2006 wef 31/05/2006]

(8) The Board may appoint any person to be adviser or consultant to a Council on