

In the name of Allah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful
The Constitution of North Austin Muslim Community Center, Inc., Austin, Texas
(A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION)

The Fundamental Statutes:

The loyalty of the North Austin Muslim Community Center (NAMCC), is to Allah the Almighty, and its objective is to Him. In all its activities, the center is guided by the Quran and Sunna of Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, and Sunna of the rightly-guided caliphs (Ahl- e-Sunnah-wal-Jama't). The sources and stipulation of its constitution and by-laws shall not disagree with the stipulation of the Holy Quran and the established, honorable, pure Sunna of the Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him.

ARTICLE 1: NAME AND AFFILIATION

The name of this corporation is North Austin Muslim Community Center (NAMCC), Inc. The principal office of the corporation shall be located in the City of Austin, County of Travis, in the State of Texas. This corporation may be affiliated with any major Muslim organizations such as Islamic Society of North America (ISNA), Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA) or Muslim American Society (MAS) but not limited to these organizations.

ARTICLE 2: PURPOSES OF THE CORPORATION

The corporation is primary organized and shall be operated exclusively for the promotion and advancement of the Islamic faiths as established by the Holy Quran and the Sunnah of the Prophet Mohammed, peace be upon him, as followed by the rightly guided caliphs (Ahl-e- Sunnah-wal-Jama't) through cultural , educational, charitable and religious efforts

- 2.1 To provide a suitable place and atmosphere for Muslims to perform the five daily prayers, the Friday (Juma) prayer, and the two Eid prayers.
- 2.2 To promote the right understanding of Islam as a belief, a source of legislation, and a comprehensive mode of life among Muslims.
- 2.3 To acquaint non-Muslims with Islam, deal with them amicably, and promote viable Da'wah programs (the propagation of Al-Islam).
- 2.4 To provide an atmosphere in which Muslims can abide by and act according to Islam.
- 2.5 To strengthen the Islamic brotherly ties among all Muslims.
- 2.6 To perform the religious rites necessary for Muslims in the Austin Area.
- 2.7 To meet the needs of Muslims in Austin, and help them in solving social, financial, and other problems, within the capability of the center.
- 2.8 To maintain the investments as Waqf for the center, to provide a stable and sound income, to make the center financially independent.

ARTICLE 3: THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly (GA) consists of all the members.

ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP

Section 4.1: Qualification of non-voting members

Any Muslim, age 16 or more, who lives in the Austin area, and endeavors to practice Islam as a way of life, may become a member of NAMCC. Members are expected to exhibit the characteristics of sincere faith defined in the Quran and Sunnah.

Section 4.2: Qualification of voting members

Voting members must meet all qualifications of non-voting members. In addition, voting members must be a permanent resident or a U.S. Citizens residing in Austin at least for one year and must pay annual membership fee of the NAMCC.

Section 4.3: Suspension of Membership:

A member may be suspended or expelled from the NAMCC upon charges filed with the Executive Committee, and following a hearing by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 5: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EC)

Section 5.1: The Structure of the EC:

The Executive Committee consists of:

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer, and
- e. Trustee

The EC is nominated and elected by the voting members from among the voting members of NAMCC. The elected EC members nominate the position for themselves. The EC is the highest policy making body and conducts its affairs through Shura.

Section 5.2: The Terms and conditions of the EC:

5.2.1 The EC is elected for five years term. Same members may be re-elected for additional terms.

5.2.2 The resignation of any member of the EC must be submitted in writing to the President of EC. The EC will take a decision with regard to resignation. If any position in the EC becomes vacant, the EC appoints a voting GA member to hold the position for the remainder of the term.

5.2.3 The EC members must be permanent residents of US or US citizens and have been living in greater Austin area for at least three years. They need to observe the highest moral of Islamic code in their personal and public life.

5.2.4 Any member of the EC can be deposed for a valid reason by a two-thirds vote of the total number of voting members and subsequent approval of the EC. His successor is to be selected according to Article 5.2.3. In the event that the President is deposed,

the Vice President becomes the President, and another GA member is appointed to the EC According to Article 5.2.3 to fill the position and a new Vice President is elected from among the EC.

Section 5.3: Objectives and Responsibilities of the EC:

5.3.1 EC makes the final decision and approval in matters concerning any financial transactions such as buying /selling of properties, construction/ remodeling of buildings and investments.

5.3.2 EC will appoint an Imam to lead all the religious activities.

5.3.3 EC will strive to find solutions of problems arising between members of the General Assembly and Executive Committee, or among Executive Committee members. If problem arise among members of the EC, the Imam will be consulted first to resolve the conflict. If solutions cannot be reached, the matters should be referred to one of the following institutes in the order shown below:

1. Dar-ul-Uloom, New York, USA.
2. Muslin World League, Makkah-al-Mukarrama.
3. Al-Azhar University, Cairo, Egypt.
4. Dar-ul-Aloom, Deo-Bund, India.

Decisions of these institutions will be final.

5.3.4 The right to appoint specialize professional committees when the need arises.

5.3.5 The signing of all deeds.

5.3.6 Approval of the annual report of NAMCC.

5.3.7 Every three months the EC prepares a report concerning the activities and budget of the Islamic Center. This report is to be posted on the NAMCC Bulletin Board and Website.

ARTICLE 6: FINANCING

Section 6.1: Resources of the Center will include the following sources:

6.1.1 Donations and dues from membership.

6.1.2 Zakat and Sadqah Funds

6.1.3 Any income gained from the NAMCC activities, Islamic investments, and Waqf.

6.1.4 Any conditional donations approved by the EC.

Section 6.2: Regulations of the Center's Finances:

6.2.1 The Center's funds are to be deposited in an account under the name of the NAMCC. If possible, the account should be in an Islamic Bank, or with an Islamic institution.

6.2.2 No part of the income or property of the NAMCC shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, directors, officers or other private persons, except as charity to needy people or organizations approved by EC.

6.2.3 All accounts of the Center shall be audited by an audit committee as stated in the by-laws.

ARTICLE 7: DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the NAMCC, the EC will, after making all payments or provisions for the payment of all liabilities of the NAMCC, dispose of all the United States assets of the NAMCC exclusively to an approved non-profit Islamic organization..

ARTICLE 8: RULES OF PROCEDURE

The NAMCC will be governed by this constitution and its by-laws, and by the rules of procedure, the latter of which will be formulated by the EC.

ARTICLE 9: DATE OF EFFECT

The constitution and its by-laws will be effective as of September 25, 1994.

Article 5.2.1 amended per the motion passed in GA meeting on April 2, 2011

ARTICLE 10: AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

10.1 The Fundamental Statutes are not subject to amendments.

10.2 With the exception of Article 2 of this constitution, the voting members of the GA have the right to amend the articles of the constitution with the approval of the EC.

10.3 Any proposal to amend the constitution must be submitted in writing to the EC. The EC must study the proposal, and submit it to the GA at its first meeting. The amendment is carried into effect if two-thirds of the total number of the registered GA voting members vote in favor of it, and the final approval of the EC is obtained.