

**SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**ON DC 37 RETIREES ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION**  
**PROPOSED RULES**

**MAY 27, 2026**

**RULE 1.** The District Council 37 Retirees Association Special Membership Meeting shall be called to order on May 27, 2026, at 10:00AM eastern time. The purpose of the Meeting shall be only for consideration of amendments and changes proposed to the DC 37 Retirees Association constitution read at the special meeting on May 5, 2026. Only business pertaining to the orderly consideration of the Association's constitutional amendments will be entertained. All other business shall be out of order. The Meeting shall adjourn upon completion of its business on May 27, 2026.

**RULE 2.** In order to be entitled to vote, a member must be in good standing as of May 27, 2026.

**RULE 3.** Votes on the constitution, any amendments, or any other business related to the purpose of the Meeting will be handled electronically via telephone. **Members will vote by selecting either the 3 for "Yes" or 4 for "No" on their touch tone phone.** Members are advised to be careful when selecting their vote as you cannot change your vote after it is entered. The Chair will notify the membership of the results of the vote immediately after the voting period ends, there shall be no division of the house, standing votes, or roll call votes.

**RULE 4.** A voting period shall remain open for one minute.

**RULE 5.** The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* (12<sup>th</sup> Edition) shall govern the Convention in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Rules.

**RULE 6.** A member seeking to speak should **raise their hand to get into the queue by pressing 0 on their touch tone phone.** After a member pressed 0 they will be connected to an operator who will ask them their name and what they wish to speak about. Members will be brought on the to call live for discussion in the appropriate procedural order.

**RULE 7.** Upon recognition, member shall identify themselves by name and their location.

**RULE 8.** When a member is recognized to speak, the individual shall use their best efforts to eliminate background noise in order to be heard.

**RULE 9.** Speeches on matters of business shall be limited to one minute unless the time is extended by the Chair

**RULE 10.** **Seconds, when appropriate and called for by the Chair, shall be made by pressing 2 on your touch tone phones.** Seconds shall not require a member to be recognized to speak and shall be made solely by this method.

**RULE 11.** A member may not speak a second time upon the same question until all members wishing to speak have had an opportunity to do so. Members must press 0 again to get back into the queue to speak a second time on the same question.

**RULE 12.** A member may not move the Question immediately following speaking on a motion. In instances where only one side of an issue has been heard and the Question is moved, one speaker on the opposite side of the issue shall be permitted to address the meeting prior to the vote on the Previous Question. The Chair shall have discretion to place appropriate limits on the number of such members who are permitted to address the meeting before a vote on the Previous Question.

**RULE 13.** The following motions are out of order: Postpone Indefinitely, postpone to a Certain Time, Refer to Committee, Limit Debate, Table, Divide the Question, Rescind, and Reconsider.

**RULE 14.** Motions pertaining to the Constitution shall be subject to amendment from the floor of the meeting. The amendments previously provided to the members and recommended by the Policy and Governance Committee at the May 5, 2026, special meeting shall require a majority vote of delegates for adoption. Any constitutional amendment from the floor shall require a majority vote for adoption. If amendments to the proposed Constitution are offered by a member from the floor, they will be considered on an article-by-article basis, taking articles in numerical order. Except as provided below, any proposed amendment to an article must be offered when that article is before the meeting. The Chair will ask if there is any discussion on that article. Once there is no further discussion on an article, that article is closed and amendments to the next article are in order. After an article has been declared closed by the chair, no further discussion will be in order pertaining to that Article. After all articles have been considered, the Constitution will be voted upon in its entirety.

**RULE 15.** If a member wishes to appeal the ruling of the Chair, the member must immediately raise the appeal as a Point of Order, by pressing 0 and speaking to an operator. An appeal from a decision of the Chair shall not be entertained unless it has the support of 25 percent of the members on the call.