

PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO ALEXANDRIA RADIO CLUB (ARC) BYLAWS (ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING – NOVEMBER 14, 2020, AS REVISED)

1. REPLACE ARTICLE II, Section 2.02: “A proposal to revise these By-Laws requires a 2/3 majority of the members in good standing in order to pass.”

WITH: ”A proposal to revise these By-Laws requires a majority (greater than 50 percent) vote of members in good standing and present in order to pass.”

RATIONAL: This change will improve and facilitate the conduct of club business by reducing the need of a super majority for a passing vote on matters that may be vital to club operations.

2. REPLACE ARTICLE III, Section 8.01 (c): “No officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms in any one position.”

WITH: ” No Board member shall serve more than two consecutive terms, unless an extension is approved by a majority (greater than 50 percent) vote of club members in good standing and present.”

RATIONAL: This change will allow an immediate vote by the membership to extend the term of the currently serving club treasurer. In general, it will allow a majority of club members to make an exception to the standing two-term limit, as determined appropriate by the majority of members in good standing.

3. REPLACE ARTICLE III, Section 8.01 (a): “At the November meeting each year the Club membership shall elect four officers: the President, the Vice President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer. These four officers shall constitute the Board of Directors.”

WITH: ” At the November meeting each year the Club membership shall elect four officers and three at-large directors from members: the officers shall be the President, the Vice President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer. These four officers and the elected directors shall constitute the Board of Directors.

Directors will serve staggered terms. One Director will serve a two-year term beginning after their election on odd numbered years and one Director will serve a two-year term beginning after their election on even numbered years. One Director will serve a three-year term beginning after their election.

RATIONAL: This change will add an opportunity for more members of the club to have roles in governance of the club. The addition of elected directors can have an important role in preparing club members for club officer positions in the future, or for providing advice based on prior experience with club governance. It will provide the Board more depth in manpower for managing club matters such as reviews of projected funding needs, club property management, matters for Silent Keys (SK), meeting programs, membership strength and recruiting matters, and the need for revision in Bylaws, etc., etc. Staggered terms for the at large members will allow for continuity of the knowledge of club affairs and procedures.

4. ADD ARTICLE II, Section 2.01 (e) “Members will be sent a written notice of all meetings in which voting will take place for the annual election of Club Board Directors, the proposed Club annual budget, or changes in the Bylaws. The notice shall specify the place, day and hour of the meeting, and the purpose of the meeting.”

RATIONAL: This change will explicitly ensure that members are provided notice of meetings in which voting will take place for election of Club Board Directors, the annual budget, or changes in the Bylaws