Amendment #1 -- BYLAWS

<u>**Rationale</u>**: There is an inherent confliction in the amendment processes used for the SJMGA Constitution and the SJMGA BYLAWS. This change eliminates the confliction.</u>

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENT PROCEDURE

Section 1. Any proposed amendment is to be presented to the Executive Council. The proposed amendment will require approval by a simple majority of the Council for preparation and presentation to the general membership.

Section 2. The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, and voting at any regular Meeting. Proposed amendments shall be published and distributed no later than one (1) week prior to the meeting.

Section 3. For a meeting to be official, a quorum consisting of a minimum 35% of the total REGULAR membership and three of the five Executive Officers must be present.

From the By-Laws:

ARTICLE V – AMENDMENTS

The Constitution and By-laws may be amended at any regular meeting, by twothirds (2/3) vote of all active regular members present, provided that written notice of each proposed amendment has been approved by a simple majority of the Executive Council, and published at least 1 week prior to the meeting.

Proposed:

ARTICLE V – AMENDMENTS

Any amendment to the SJMGA BYLAWS will follow the same procedures and requirements for amendments to the SJMGA Constitution. See ARTICLE VIII of the SJMGA Constitution for the amendment procedures

Amendment #2 – CONSTITUTION

<u>Rationale</u>: You can't give "all privileges of the Association" in Section 1 and then restrict those same privileges in Section 2.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Membership in the Association shall be classified and defined as follows with members in all classifications being entitled to enjoy <u>all the</u> <u>privileges of the Association</u>. The SJMGA reserves the right to deny membership to or terminate a membership that is inconsistent with the objectives as stated in Article II.

a. REGULAR: Any male resident golf or social member of any of the St. James golf courses who attains the age of twenty-one (21) years prior to January 1st of the current year.

b. NON-RESIDENT: Any male Non-Resident Property Owner golf or social member of any of the St. James golf courses who attains the age of twenty-one (21) years prior to January 1st of the current year.

SECTION 2. Only REGULAR members shall be entitled to vote, hold office or share in the assets of the association in the event of dissolution (IRS – 501c). Otherwise, all classifications of members shall enjoy the same rights and privileges of the association.

Proposed:

SECTION 1. Membership in the Association shall be classified and defined as follows with members in all classifications being entitled to enjoy all the privileges of the Association, <u>except as noted below in Section 2</u>. The SJMGA reserves the right to deny membership to or terminate a membership that is inconsistent with the objectives as stated in Article II.

Amendment #3 – CONSTITUTION

<u>Rationale</u>: to incorporate into the CONSTITUTION that SJMGA elections are held every two years.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS AND APPOINTEES

The officers shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Tournament Director. These five officers may also be referred as the Executive council. The President, Vice President, Secretary, and treasurer shall be elected at the **annual meeting**, and shall hold office until their respective successors take office. Term of office shall be for Two Years.

Proposed:

The officers shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Tournament Director. These five officers may also be referred as the Executive council. The President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected by the REGULAR members at the **biennial election cycle** meeting, and shall hold office until their respective successors take office. Term of office shall be for Two Years. Amendment #4 – CONSTITUTION

<u>Rationale</u>: To incorporate into the Constitution that the Tournament Director is not an elected position and that elections are held biennially.

ARTICLE V – GOVERNMENT

Section 3. The Executive Council Officers shall be elected by the REGULAR members at the <u>annual</u> meeting.

Proposed:

Section 3. The Executive Council Officers, except for the Tournament director, shall be elected by the REGULAR members at the <u>biennial</u> election cycle meeting.

Amendment #5 – CONSTITUTION

<u>Rationale</u>: To incorporate into the Constitution that the SJMGA past President and the Advisor are NOT members of the Executive Council but vote on issues before the Executive Council.

ARTICLE V – GOVERNMENT

Section 4. The immediate past President shall serve as an advisory, voting member of the Executive Council (Except in matters pertaining to the removal of an elected officer).

Section 6. The President, upon the advice and consent of the other elected officers, shall appoint the Advisor to the Executive Council as an advisory voting member of the Executive Council (Except in matters pertaining to the removal of an elected officer).

Proposed:

Section 4. The immediate past President of the SJMGA shall serve as an advisor. He is a participating voting member in deliberations before the Executive Council (Except in matters pertaining to the removal of an elected officer).

Section 6. The President, upon the advice and consent of the other elected officers, shall appoint the Advisor to the Executive Council. He is a participating voting member in deliberations before the Executive Council (Except in matters pertaining to the removal of an elected officer).

Amendment #6 – BYLAWS

<u>Rationale</u>: To incorporate the SJMGA biennial election process, that voting by acclimation under certain circumstances is permitted and that the term of office is two years.

ARTICLE I – OFFICERS

Section 2. Elections

b. Officers shall be elected at the <u>Annual</u> Meeting of the association by a plurality of the votes of the members present. Voting shall be by ballot.

c. The term of office shall be for <u>one</u> year, and shall begin the first day of January.

e. During the Annual Meeting and after the election, a list of volunteers will be solicited from the regular members for all appointed positions for the coming year. The succeeding President will use this list as an aid, but will not be limited to the list, in making his appointments.

Proposed:

b. Officers shall be elected at the <u>biennial</u> election cycle meeting of the association by a plurality of the votes of the members present. Voting shall be by ballot <u>or voice acclimation when applicable</u>.

c. The term of office shall be for <u>two</u> years, and shall begin the <u>ensuing January</u> <u>1st.</u>

e. During the Annual Meeting and as appropriate after the <u>biennial</u> election, a list of volunteers will be solicited from the **regular** members for all appointed positions for the coming year. The succeeding President will use this list as an aid, but will not be limited to the list, in making his appointments. Amendment #7 – BYLAWS

Rationale: To incorporate the SJMGA biennial election process into the BYLAWS

ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS

Section 1. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

a. The Annual meeting shall be held in November for the purpose of presenting the slate of officers, the election of officers, and other business of the association. The newly elected officers shall assume their duties as of January 1st of the ensuing year.

Proposed:

Section 1. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

a. The Annual meeting shall be held in November. At this meeting, the business of the SJMGA, as directed by the Executive Council, will be discussed with the regular membership. Additionally, every other year (biennially) the presenting of the slate of officers and the election of the SJMGA officers will occur at this meeting. The newly elected officers shall assume their duties as of January 1st of the ensuing year. Amendment #8 – BYLAWS

Rationale: To incorporate the SJMGA biennial election process into the BYLAWS

ARTICLE III – COMMITTEES

Section 1. NOMINATING / ELECTION COMMITTEE

b. The committee shall be appointed in September of <u>each year</u> and shall nominate at least one (1), preferably two (2), but no more than three (3) candidates for each office, to be elected at the next annual meeting.

d. The committee shall conduct the election of officers at the annual meeting.

Proposed:

b. The committee shall be appointed in September of each <u>biennial election</u> <u>cycle</u> year and shall nominate at least one (1), preferably two (2), but no more than three (3) candidates for each office, to be elected at the next annual meeting.

d. The committee shall conduct the election of officers at the **<u>biennial election</u> <u>cycle membership</u>** meeting. Amendment #9 – BYLAWS

Rationale: To incorporate the SJMGA biennial election process into the BYLAWS

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Proposed:

a. The Annual meeting shall be held in November. At this meeting, the business of the SJMGA, as directed by the executive council, will be discussed with the regular membership. <u>Additionally every other year</u> (biennially) the Nominating Committee will present the slate of candidates for positions on the executive council, except for the tournament director. Subsequently, the election of the SJMGA officers shall occur at this meeting. The newly elected officers shall assume their duties as of January 1st of the ensuing year.