

Steps Taken in RLC's Attempt to Become a Rossmoor "Recognized Organization" (ref GFR Policy 302.0)

First RLC meeting September 2024

In late October, an RLC member submitted an article to Rossmoor News, intending to publicize a possible solution to the lack of weekend bus service for non-driving Rossmoorians and to recruit Rossmoor drivers to help their neighbors get around during the weekend. Ann Peterson rejected the article because RLC is not a Recognized Organization.

In mid-November, RLC members voted to apply to become a Rossmoor Recognized Organization.

In early December, Jeff Matheson (GRF General Manager) sent RLC a written rejection of our application, citing multiple problems, the most significant apparently being that RLC's purpose and scope duplicate the functions of the GFR Board.

In mid-January, Barry Brian (RLC President) and Dave Kosters (RLC Vice President) met with Jeff Matheson and Leanne Hamaji (GRF Board President) to explore ways to obtain official recognition for RLC. The discussion included RLC presenting the nearly identical mission of a previously-approved Rossmoor group, [Informed Rossmoor Voices](#) (IRV), which was formed in 2009 and after successfully contributing for many years, disbanded in 2020. Leanne said during the meeting that she supported Jeff's rejection of RLC's application, and that if IRV were to apply today with the mission they used previously, their application to be a Recognized Organization would be rejected.

The RLC Steering Committee has voted in favor of appealing Jeff's decision by submitting a written statement to the GFR Policy Committee. If that is unsuccessful, we will have the option of appealing to the full GFR Board. Our hope is that more receptive thinking from new board members might result in RLC being permitted to publish occasional articles in Rossmoor News, schedule meeting room space at reasonable cost, and collaborate with the Rossmoor Activities Council, GFR management, and the GFR Board. None of that is possible today.

Rossmoor Life Council