

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Neighborhood Council subdivision policy.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an ordinance to amend the relevant Los Angeles Administrative Code sections relative to Neighborhood Council subdivision/boundary adjustment as follows:
 - a. A new Neighborhood Council may be created from within the boundaries of an existing Neighborhood Council by the following process:
 - i. The subdividing group shall undertake the process for Neighborhood Council formation as already described for new councils.
 - ii. The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) shall set an election to take up the question within 90 days of verifying all paperwork is complete.
 - iii. A majority of the votes cast by stakeholders of the entire original Neighborhood Council shall be required to complete the separation and create a new council.
 - iv. If an area leaves a Neighborhood Council, the original council should simply be required to adjust its boundaries and board structure and not recertify.
 - v. If an area moves between two existing Neighborhood Councils, neither should be required to recertify.
2. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to include in the City budget for the next fiscal year, proposed funding for three positions needed to implement the proposed Neighborhood Council subdivision/boundary adjustment policy.
3. NOTE and FILE the DONE Reports dated November 19, 2013 and August 13, 2015.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None provided by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners. Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For: Neighborhood Council Empowerment Congress - North Area Neighborhood
Development Council
Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council
Glassell Park Neighborhood Council
Against: Los Feliz Neighborhood Council
Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on October 16, 2015, the Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhood Committee considered reports from DONE dated November 19, 2013 and August 13, 2015, and a report from the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners dated October 9, 2013, as initiated by Motion (Huizar - Parks), relative to a Neighborhood Council subdivision policy. The Committee Member and Maker of the originating Motion provided a brief overview of the matter and introduced an amendment to instruct the CAO to include proposed funding in the City's budget for the next fiscal year for three positions in DONE to implement the new policy.

After consideration and after providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee approved the recommendation in the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners report to request the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to implement the proposed process for Neighborhood Council subdivision/boundary adjustment, as amended to also instruct the CAO to include funding in next fiscal year's budget for positions to implement the proposed policy. Additionally, the Committee noted and filed the DONE reports. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, AND NEIGHBORHOODS
COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
WESSON:	YES
HUIZAR:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES

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