

Date: 11/20/12
Submitted in RTN Committee
Council File No: 12-1682
Item No.: 4

RESOLUTION

~~Proposed~~ Submitted by member of the public

Be it resolved that the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners sets the following policy:

Factual Basis Stakeholders

WHEREAS the Los Angeles City Council, in an attempt to create wider citizen inclusiveness in the Neighborhood Council system, has amended the definition of stakeholder to include the phrase "and any individual who declares a stake in the neighborhood and affirms the factual basis for it", and,

WHEREAS people qualifying as stakeholders under this amendment have become known as "factual basis stakeholders", and,

WHEREAS the Los Angeles City Council did not provide any restrictions or guidelines for the implementation of this amendment, and,

WHEREAS factual basis stakeholders have been allowed to qualify as such by as minimally as producing a receipt for coffee purchased within a Neighborhood Council's boundaries, and,

WHEREAS in the subsequent (2010) elections, factual basis stakeholders have managed to gain a majority of seats on several Neighborhood Council boards, and

WHEREAS these new boards have begun submitting bylaws amendments to solidify their control in the future, and,

WHEREAS without further definition, special interests will be able to gain control of more Neighborhood Council boards, thus further disenfranchising stakeholders who actually live, work, or own property in a community, and,

WHEREAS the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners has the duty to establish policies to protect and enhance the integrity of the Neighborhood Council system,

WHEREAS Section 902(b) Article IX of the City Charter provides that the Commission "shall be responsible for policy setting and policy oversight ... and the promulgation of rules and regulations but not be responsible for the day-to-day management."

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners sets the following policy:

POLICY NUMBER:

2011-02

It is recommended and advised that all Neighborhood Councils revise their bylaws to include language stating that:

Resolution: 2011-02
Factual Basis Stakeholder

1. Each Neighborhood Council should allow for the inclusion of a minimum of one board seat or a maximum of (10) percent of the total board composition that factual basis stakeholders can run and vote for in all upcoming elections. If no factual basis stakeholder chooses to seek election to that seat it may be filled with a non-factual basis stakeholder.

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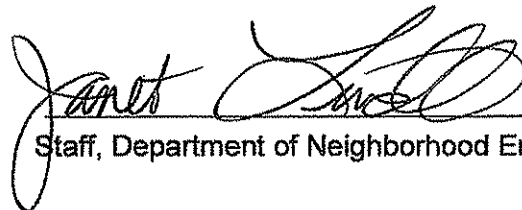
Member, Board of Neighborhood Commissioners

Seconded by:



Member, Board of Neighborhood Commissioners

Witnessed by:



Staff, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

VOTES:

Ayes:

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Nays:

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DATE:

6/7/11