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June 14, 2013

To All Interested Parties:

**Chief Legislative Analyst** 

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under

Council File No. <u>13-0002-S62</u>, at its meeting held <u>June 4, 2013</u>.

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SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR

COUNCIL FILE NO. 13-0002-S62

COUNCIL DISTRICT

COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE JUNE 4, 2013

RE: THE CITY'S POSITION TO SUPPORT SENATE BILL 360 (PADILLA) WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE USE IN ELECTIONS OF VOTING SYSTEMS THAT ARE PUBLICLY DEVELOPED AND OWNED

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File No. 13-0002-S62

## TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS Committee

#### reports as follows:

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to the City's position to support Senate Bill (SB) 360 (Padilla) which would allow the use in elections of voting systems that are publicly developed and owned.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Perry – Parks), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City's 2013-14 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT for SB 360 (Padilla) which would allow the California Secretary of State to approve for use in elections voting systems that are publicly developed and owned.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA). The City Administrative Officer has not completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

#### Summary:

At its regular meeting of May 17, 2013, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a CLA report dated May 15, 2013 and Resolution (Perry – Parks) relative to the City's position to support SB 360 (Padilla) which would allow the California Secretary of State to approve for use in elections voting systems that are publicly developed and owned. The CLA report, attached to Council File No. 13-0002-S62, provides a summary of the Resolution and additional background information.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the accompanying Resolution. This matter is now forwarded to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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JUN 4 2013

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

<u>MEMBER</u> WESSON: LABONGE: HUIZAR: VOTE YES ABSENT YES

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# RULES, ELECTIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the right to vote is the most fundamental way that citizens engage their government, and the integrity of voting relies on the trust that each vote cast is counted fairly; and

WHEREAS, the transparency of voting systems – the devices and systems through which votes are cast – is vital to ensure that the public can verify and trust election outcomes; and

WHEREAS, nearly all California counties have purchased their voting systems from private vendors, which limit public access to the operating system and hardware of those voting systems in order to protect their own intellectual property; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles is currently developing a voting system that will be owned and operated by the public, and that will be maintained in an open, transparent, and verifiable manner, which will increase the trust and reliability that the public can feel in its voting system; and

WHEREAS, existing state law neither encourages nor facilitates alternate models like publicly owned voting systems; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Padilla has introduced SB 360, which would explicitly allow counties to develop and own public voting systems, and would allow the California Secretary of State to approve a county developed system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2013-2014 State Legislative Program SUPPORT of SB 360 (Padilla), which would increase public trust and transparency in voting systems by allowing counties to develop and own public voting systems and allowing the California Secretary of State to approve those systems.

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