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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(22) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 01/25/2017

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 02/15/2017

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 15-1022-S2

Agenda Date: 01/25/2017

Item Number: 7.g.

Summary: The BABCNC agrees with the original motion in this council file that the Council INSTRUCT the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to cease the implementation of the online voting system for future elections until (1) DONE completes a report with information about the experience of online voting for candidates, voters, staff and other stakeholders, and on the actions that DONE intends to take to improve the implementation process, outreach, training, data security, and other processes; and (2) the Council takes further action approving online voting under the conditions to be determined by the City Council, as moved by Paul Krekorian. Please find enclosed the positions taken by the BABCNC.



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January 25, 2017

**Community Impact Statement**  
**RE: Report Back on Council File# 15-1022-S2**  
**Online Voting Pilot for Neighborhood Council Elections**

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- I. Online Voting. General consensus was to not rule out online voting as a voting alternative, but to also provide for mail-in-ballot voting in addition to holding in-person voting on Election Day.
- II. Self-affirmation Based Upon Picture ID Only. BABCNC rejects and opposes recommendation. BABCNC overwhelmingly, if not unanimously, expressed preference for verification of Stakeholder status by documentation. Unless a Community Interest Stakeholder, verification of Stakeholder status requires documentation evidencing voter residency, ownership or employment within territorial boundaries of BABCNC. This requires documentation evidencing a street address. A street address is not always present on a picture ID such as a driver's license. Moreover, a driver's license or other picture ID (i.e. corporate employment ID), does not evidence property ownership, which documentation is required of a non-resident owner claiming BABCNC Stakeholder status.
- III. Voter Age Lowered to 16 Years of Age. BABCNC supports recommendation. BABCNC encourages young Stakeholders to participate in the civic process. Lowering minimum voting age from current 18 years of age to 16 will afford a greater number of high schools students the opportunity to participate in the public election of certain BABCNC representative. Moreover, the BABCNC intends, in the next revision of the bylaws, to create a seat specifically designated to be filled by someone currently in high school.

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Residents of Beverly Glen  
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**OTHER**

At-Large Members  
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Public & Private Schools

IV. Maximum Number of Three Ballot Types. BABCNC rejects limitation to three (3) ballot types. Impossible for BABCNC to comply with such restriction given composition of publicly elected seats on Board. BABCNC holds public election for five (5) residential districts; one (1) public schools representative; one (1) commercial/enterprise representative; and two (2) at-large representatives. Ballot within each residential district will be unique given Stakeholders within each residential district may only vote for candidates running for that residential seat. Ballot within each residential district will include names of candidates running for three (3) other positions: (i) public schools; (ii) commercial/enterprise and (iii) at-large. In addition to a unique ballot for each five (5) residential districts, governmental structure of BABCNC requires a sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) unique ballot to be used by all other voters not living within a residential district. Such ballot will only include the three (3) non-residential seats: public schools; commercial/enterprise and at-large.



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