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See attached Community Impact Statement in Favor of Councilmember Ryu's Motion related to Neighborhood Council System Reforms, with amendments.

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Neighborhood Council System Reforms

The Atwater Village Neighborhood Council (AVNC) approves the motion and certain recommendations to reform the Neighborhood Council System. On May 25, 2018, the LA City Council Health, Education and Neighborhood Council Committee approved a motion by Councilmember David Ryu with recommendations for certain changes to the Neighborhood Council System.

AVNC recommends the following:

1. Change the names of Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) and Board of Neighborhood Councils (BONC) to Neighborhood Councils Department (NCD) and Neighborhood Councils Commission (NCC), respectively. Phase out the term/branding of "EmpowerLA"
2. Eliminate the "community impact stakeholder".
3. Eliminate the term "selection" for NC seats as they are elected.
4. Neighborhood Councils (NCs) undergo a one-time review process overseen by BONC to confirm equitable allocation of seats by stakeholder types.
5. Establish a minimum age of 16 to be elected to a Neighborhood Council
6. Require training for all Chairs and Vice Chairs of all Neighborhood Council Planning and Land Use Committees, EXCEPT in cases of demonstrated proficiency/knowledge through an exemption process.
7. Allow for the rollover of NC funds to the next fiscal year, AND allow funding system to remain open with no closure period at the end of the fiscal year.
8. Allow NCs to accept in-kind and monetary donations.
9. OPPOSE the recommendation for a single election day for all NCs because persons may be stakeholders in multiple NCs and it would be burden on voting.
10. Allow NCs to use space in all city facilities and advocate for use in other government facilities.
11. Develop a best practices compendium for NCs.
12. Develop a contact list for all key city department, but OPPOSE requiring all NCs to designate a person of contact for each key city department as too cumbersome.