

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to Vote-By-Mail Ballots in the City's 2015 Municipal Elections.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the City Clerk report dated September 11, 2015 relative to findings from the City's 2015 Municipal Elections as they relate to an Election Code change to allow acceptance of Vote-By-Mail ballots postmarked on Election Day and received within three days after the election and pre-paid, first class postage for returned Vote-By-Mail ballots.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on September 18, 2015, the Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhoods Committee considered a report from the City Clerk dated September 11, 2015 relative to an Election Code Change to allow acceptance of Vote- By-Mail ballots postmarked on Election Day and received within three days after the election and pre-paid, first class postage for returned Vote-By-Mail ballots, in response to Recommendation Nos. 7 and 18 of the Council Action from October 22, 2015 and as recommended by the City of Los Angeles Municipal Elections Reform Commission in its report to Council. The City Clerk appeared before the Committee and provided a brief overview of the report and responded to related questions.

After consideration and after providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council note and file the report from the City Clerk. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE



MEMBER	VOTE
WESSON:	YES
HUIZAR:	ABSENT
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES

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