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Summary: The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the City Council effort to explore possible improvements to the Neighborhood Council system in order to strengthen their influence within City government, on City services in their communities, and on planning efforts in their communities. We do take exception to certain proposals enumerated in CF 18-0467 as follows:

- Changing the names of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) and the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) is unnecessary. At the same time we endorse the position that the purpose of DONE is to support the Neighborhood Councils and also that BONC should not be involved in the day-to-day management of DONE or the Neighborhood Councils.
- Remove completely the concept of "Community Interest Stakeholder" from participation in Neighborhood Council governance and election participation.
- With small numbers of Stakeholders in most instances participating in the workings of Neighborhood Councils and in order to strengthen council diversity, a certain number of Board members should be allowed to be chosen by Selection, if allowed for in Council's bylaws.
- We oppose review of council bylaws by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners as a check on allocation of board seats among stakeholder types.
- The proposed roll-over into the next fiscal year of a non-cumulative maximum of \$10,000 should be amended to be up to \$15,000.

We otherwise endorse the other proposals in the Motion.