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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(14) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(1) Recusal(0)

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Summary: LBNC opposes the standardization of Neighborhood Councils. One size does not fit all in this great diverse city. The costs of administering non-standardized NC elections is a drop in the LA BUDGET bucket and a feeble excuse used to take control of Neighborhood Councils' grassroots democracy. PLAN FOR A CITYWIDE SYSTEM OF NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS Article II Desired Characteristics of Neighborhood Councils Item #4 Independent Entities states: "Certified Neighborhood Councils shall be as independent, self-governing, and self directed as possible". Making all bylaws the same AND election rules the same, does not allow NCs to be as independent and self-governing, and self directed as possible. LBNC Bylaws does NOT require photo identification to vote. Method of Verifying Stakeholder Status – Voters will verify their Stakeholder status through written self-affirmation. LBNC Bylaws: Neighborhood Council membership is open to all Stakeholders. "Stakeholders" shall be defined as those who live, work, or own property in the neighborhood and also to those who declare a stake in the neighborhood as a community interest stakeholder, defined as a person who affirms a substantial and ongoing participation within the Neighborhood Council's boundaries and who may be in a community organization such as, but not limited to, educational, non-profit and/or religious organizations. How is this voter suppression? Why are LA Neighborhood Councils being compared to the whole of the United States? We vote NO.