

UNHOUSED VOTERS



Neighborhood Council Elections are open to all stakeholders living within a Neighborhood Council's (NC) boundary including those who are unhoused or experiencing homelessness.

A physical street address is required to vote in all NC elections. However, if you are unhoused or experiencing homelessness and do not have a physical street address, you can self-affirm that you are unhoused or homeless to vote in NC elections. Also, some NCs require documentation to prove you are a stakeholder within their NC. If you do not possess identification or proof of residency, you can still vote if you self-affirm you are unhoused or homeless.

Participating in NC Elections is easy!

- **First:** Find your Neighborhood Council here: <u>NC Lookup Tool</u>. You can enter the cross streets where you reside to find your NC if you do not have a physical street address.
- **Second:** Review the voting period dates and deadlines for your NC here: <u>2021 NC VBM Dates</u> <u>and Deadlines</u>
 - **Third:** Complete an <u>online</u>* or paper <u>Vote-By-Mail Application</u> to receive a ballot. For the paper application, please follow these instructions:
 - **Section 1** Write your first, middle, and last name; birthdate; phone number and/or email address. (Providing your contact information is highly encouraged in case we need to reach you concerning your application and/or ballot).
 - Section 2 Establish your stakeholder status: Write in your NC name and place an X in the, "I am a resident of the Neighborhood Council and live at:" box. Write in the cross streets where you reside if you do not have a physical street address.
 - **Section 3** Provide a mailing address where you would like your ballot mailed to.
 - **Section 4** Sign and date the application.
 - **Section 5** To designate someone to return your VBM application to our office on your behalf, have them print and sign their name in this section.

Return your VBM application by mail, email or fax. (See bottom of application for mailing address, email, and fax number information).

Voting and Returning Your NC Ballot

Once you receive your ballot packet:

- Follow the instructions enclosed to vote and return your ballot.
- Deposit your ballot return envelope in the mail or in a ballot drop box by Election Day. Mailed ballots must be postmarked by election day and received within ten (10) calendar days.
- To locate a ballot drop box near you, along with the ballot drop off period and deadline, click here: **Drop Box Near-by Portal**.

For questions regarding the application or ballot process, please contact our office at (213) 978-0444 or email at <u>clerk.electionvbm@lacity.org</u> Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., excluding holidays

Note: Our office is closed for in-person assistance due to the COVID-19 pandemic

* The online portal is unable to recognize cross streets at this time. If you do not have a physical street address, please use a paper application to request a ballot. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

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