

Venice Neighborhood Council

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Honorable Eric Garcetti and Los Angeles City Council Members Los Angeles City Hall 200 North Spring Street, Room 475 Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Neighborhood Council Elections in 2012

Dear Council President Garcetti and Members of the Los Angeles City Council:

The Venice Neighborhood Council opposes the City Council's proposed plan to cancel Neighborhood Council Election and requests that the Los Angeles City Council immediately draft and pass an ordinance that provides temporary suspension of Section 20.36 of Division 20, Article 1, Chapter 3 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code requiring the City Clerk to conduct Neighborhood Council Elections during the months of April, May and June of each even-numbered year.

We further request that the City Council temporarily allow Neighborhood Councils to conduct their own elections according to rules set by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment during fall of 2012 and that the FY 2012-2013 City Budget include \$3000 for each Neighborhood Council to conduct said elections and that the city budget includes sufficient funds to pay for the elections.

Sincerely,

Linda Lucks

President, Venice Neighborhood Council

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Community Impact Statement

The Venice Neighborhood Council requests that the 2012 Neighborhood Council elections not be cancelled.



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