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LOCAL POSITIONS 2004-2005

The League of Women Voters of Los Angeles has studied issues related to voting in the City of Los Angeles and reached this position through consensus.

VOTING RIGHTS (1980)

1. Support of election procedures which enable citizens to carry out their rights and duties as voters, such as:
 - Adequate and clear information for voters on elections, election issues and candidates;
 - Impartial summaries of ballot measures and, where appropriate, statement of financial impact;
 - More public notices to solicit arguments from the public; and
 - More publicity on all election procedures.

2. Placing of measures on the ballot.

Support of changes which will simplify and expedite the way in which ballot measures are adopted.

Support of procedures to ensure that a ballot simplification digest for each measure appears in the Voter Information Pamphlet.

Support for lengthening the time between adoption of resolutions by Council and deadlines for filing ballot arguments.

Support for review of all proposed ballot measures by the Charter and Election Committee.

Support of measures to require adequate public notification of deadlines and procedures involved in submitting opposing arguments.

3. Initiatives

Support for simplification of the method of validating signatures.

Support for general petition format changes to conform more closely to statewide standards.

Support for requirement that proponents' names and addresses appear on the face of the petition.

Support requirement that the circulator and signer be registered voters.

Opposition to lowering signature requirements.

Opposition to an unlimited circulation time to gather signatures.

Opposition to the requirement that proponents have to file ballot arguments in favor at their own expense.

Opposition to the requirement that proponents must enter the precinct for every name on the petition.

4. Sample Ballots

Voters should receive their sample ballots by mail at least ten days prior to an election.