

QUALIFYING DOCUMENTS

for Neighborhood Council elections

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PHOTO ID

Documents on the following list are acceptable proof of identity to vote in a Neighborhood Council election:

- CA driver's license
- CA identification card
- Passport
- Credit card with your photo on it
- Other picture ID showing your name - work, school, gym, club, etc.

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LIVE

Documents on the following list are acceptable proof that you live within the council boundaries:

- current mail with your name/address
- current utility bill with your name/home address
- current lease agreement
- current rent receipt
- letter from landlord, Renter's Association, Homeowner's Association, or Neighborhood Watch verifying your residency (see a sample letter [HERE](#))
- renter's insurance policy
- homeowner's insurance policy
- LA County property tax bill
- current mortgage statement
- deed
- Homeowner's Association bill
- County Assessor Parcel Number (APN) for your address

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WORK

Documents on the following list are acceptable proof that you work within the council boundaries. Please note that whatever you provide must show a business name, your name and an address that falls in the Neighborhood Council boundaries:

- current W2 or 1099
- project/job contract or service agreement
- work permit
- letter from employer on business letterhead (see sample letter [HERE](#))
- personal business card with your name + business name/address
- staff roster showing your name
- current business mail with your name/business name/business address
- pay stub or paycheck
- business lease or rental agreement
- business rental receipt
- invoices from vendors
- printed advertisement or business webpage (showing both your name as owner/employee + local address)
- commercial lease or rental receipt
- current City of LA business license
- CA State Board of Equalization resale certificate
- LA County property tax bill
- letter from local Business Improvement District or Chamber of Commerce stating you own the business or property in question (see sample letter [HERE](#))

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OWN

Documents on the following list are acceptable proof that you own a residential or commercial property within the council boundaries:

- LA County property tax bill
- Current residential or commercial mortgage statement
- homeowner's insurance policy
- deed
- Homeowner's Association bill
- County Assessor Parcel Number (APN) for your address
- Letter from local Homeowners' Association verifying your ownership at that address (see a sample letter [HERE](#))
- Letter from local Business Improvement District (BID) or Chamber of Commerce verifying your ownership at that address (see a sample letter [HERE](#))

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ONGOING & SUBSTANTIAL PARTICIPATION

Documents on the following list are acceptable proof that you have a “community interest” within the council boundaries, meaning that you have a substantial and ongoing participation with a group or organization within the area. In general, documents that verify that you are a community interest stakeholder should show both your name and the organization’s name, as well as an address for the organization that falls within council boundaries:

- Personal business card, membership card or participation certificate
- Church, school or other organizational roster
- Flyer, agenda, calendar or newsletter
- Letter on official letterhead from school; church; or organization stating that you have a substantial & ongoing participation there (see a sample letter [HERE](#))
- Receipt for membership dues or contributions

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In addition, some Neighborhood Councils have specific ballots for stakeholders who qualify according to specific standards unique to that council. In general, in order to qualify in such situations, documents used to verify your status should still include your name; the name of any associated organization; and an address within the council boundaries.