

Communication from Public

Name: Steven Stanton

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Comments for Public Posting: Virtual neighborhood council meetings have made the process much more accessible and democratic. I started actively participating on NC meetings during pandemic — only once they moved virtually. This decentralization allows people who normally can't carve out specific time to meet in person do so from the comfort of their own homes, during a break on the job, or wherever they may be. LA City has made many positive changes to government that were born out of the pandemic but make participation easier for all. This is a 21st century change that makes the system work for all and not a monolith. Furthermore, due to the volunteer nature of these meetings, meeting in person is yet another obstacle for the community to have to overcome in order to participate. Please amend the Brown Act to allow NC's to continue meeting virtually to keep this system equitable and accessible to all.

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Name: Mimi Holt

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