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Estanislau, Robin

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Date:

Thursday, September 28, 2023 9:18:51 AM

**Attachments:** 

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Subject: Request for response to questions of election consolidation in

Huntington Beach w/ VoterID provision

Dear Honorable Registrar,

Please see the attached letter (also sent via USPS) from the minority members of the Huntington Beach City Council asking to have your office or County Counsel answer questions regarding the policy of the Orange County Registrar of Voters and the proposed Charter amendments that involve Voter ID requirements. Your timely response is requested.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

Meeting Date: 9/28/23

Agenda Item No.: (23 - 835)



## City of Huntington Beach

2000 MAIN STREET

**CALIFORNIA 92648** 

## Dan Kalmick, Rhonda Bolton, Natalie Moser City Council Members

September 26, 2023

Bob Page
Orange County Registrar of Voters
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RE: City of Huntington Beach proposed Voter ID Requirement Charter Amendment

Dear Honorable Registrar,

As you are aware, the new Council Majority of the Huntington Beach City Council has proposed a Charter Amendment for the March 2024 ballot that will require voter ID in our municipal elections.

Section 705. SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
For all municipal elections, "Elector" means a person who is a United States citizen
18 years of age or older, and a resident of the City on or before the day of an
election. The City shall verify the eligibility of Electors by voter identification.
Beginning in 2026, the City to provide at least 20 residential voting locations for inperson voting dispersed evenly throughout the City, in addition to any City facility
voting locations. The City shall monitor ballot drop boxes located within the City for
compliance with all applicable laws. As in Section 300, the City Charter shall
determine the term of the City's elective officers, the length of term, and the
election cycle in which the election for those offices occur for the City's elective
officers.

We write today to ask two primary questions:

- 1) Will the City of Huntington Beach be allowed to consolidate its elections with the County via Registrar of Voters if this Charter Amendment passes in March?
- 2) Will the County continue to allow the City of Huntington Beach to contract its municipal elections with the Registrar of Voters if we can no longer consolidate our elections with the County?

Additional questions pertain to the cost and even the ability of the ROV to provide additional polling places with Huntington Beach based on this proposed Charter amendment.

We humbly request an immediate response to these issues from either you or County Counsel as they may have dire implications for both voting rights and our financial future in Huntington Beach.

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