

Conducting Lents Neighborhood Association Elections during COVID

Open seats: Vice-President (2-year), Secretary (2-year), Transportation (2-year), Treasurer (2-year), Public Safety (2-year), three (2-year) at-large seat will be up for election in even-numbered years; two (1-year) at-large seats will be up for election in odd-numbered years.

Process

Friday, Sept. 18: Emergency Board Meeting to decide an Special Board Member Election Process that accommodates unprecedented pandemic and wildfire smoke circumstances that make it unsafe for folks to meet in a public setting; publicize result immediately.

Tuesday, Sept. 22: In accordance with our Bylaws, Article VII, Section 5, general membership will be asked to vote in the Special Board Member Election Process. *New Election Day: LNA General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, October 27, 2020, 5:30-7:30 PM.*

Wednesday, Sept. 23, Announcement: If voted in, begin election process:

1. **Promote:** actively promoting the new process via newsletter to our membership, announcement posted at our District Coalition Office, kiosk, church, added to the City Calendar, and published on our website and social media (Facebook and Nextdoor).
2. **Solicit requests for translation/interpretation and ADA accommodations**

Tuesday, Oct. 6: Deadline for candidates to submit bio and photo, and for the community to request accommodations.

Tuesday, Oct. 20: Special Election General Meeting: sign in, hear from the candidates, get your questions about the election process answered. (ask general membership? 6:30/7)

Tuesday, Oct. 27: Election Day (on the day of the LNA General Membership Meeting), at the Lents Activity Center (8835 SE Woodstock Blvd), 5:30-7:30 PM:

Walk-in/Drive-through election:

1. Point 1: Check in and show ID or sign pledge; receive candidate info
2. Point 2: Receive ballot (pen offered per request)
3. Point 3: Drop off your filled out ballot (and pen, to be sanitized)

Election crew inside the Activity Center will count ballots. Results to be announced during the meeting, if possible, or the next day.

Adhering to ONI Standards for open meetings and public records

- Notice to the public stating the time, date, and call-in number and/or video conferencing link, with at least 7 days of notice prior to the meeting.
- Solicitation and fulfillment of requests for translation/interpretation and ADA accommodations to ensure the meeting is accessible.
- Post meeting records for public review in a reasonable amount of time after the meeting is complete

