

November 25, 2019

Attention: Community Planning Group Chairs and Vice Chairs

Reference/Subject: City Council Resolution (R-312659) - Suspension of Council Policy 600-24, Article V, Section 3, regarding the "no slates" provision

Dear Community Planning Group Chairs and Vice Chairs:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the recent change to Council Policy 600-24, recommended by the City Attorney's Office and approved by the City Council. On September 17, 2019, the City Council approved Resolution R-312659 suspending the application and enforcement of Article V, Section 3 of the Council Policy and its bylaws shell, that previously prohibited Community Planning Groups (CPGs) from developing and promoting slates of candidates. This action comes in response to the settlement of a legal action alleging that the Council Policy and its required bylaws provisions violate free speech rights. The Resolution went into effect on September 19, 2019. The no slates provision is now suspended and this applies to all CPGs for both CPG board members and non-CPG board members running for election.

If you require further information, please contact Tait Galloway, Program Manager at [tgalloway@sanidiego.gov](mailto:tgalloway@sanidiego.gov) or 619-533-4550.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: City Council Resolution R-312659

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