

A. Explanation of Vote Tally:

Voting Tally - Eligible Votes for motions shall be counted in the manner exemplified by <https://empowerla.org/neighborhood-council-voting-facts/> ***Note: As of the 2022 Bylaws, Encino has selected Option 2 of the linked guide per Article V sec 3 of the Bylaws, as follows:

The board will take action in the following way: By vote of a simple majority of board members present and voting.

For example:

A Neighborhood Council has 21 board seats and has a quorum of 11 board members to take action. Fourteen board members are present, but only 12 are qualified to vote for an item before them because of training requirements.

The simple majority of board members present and voting requires 7 votes to pass

If the final vote is 7 for, 5 against and 2 ineligible, then the motion passes.

Remember, the required number of votes necessary can change between each agenda item. For instance, if in this scenario, the next item requires 2 board member recusals in addition to the 2 ineligible board members, then some of the important numbers have shifted because only 12 board members are present now with 10 qualified to vote:

The simple majority of board members present and voting requires 6 votes to pass. If the final vote is 6 for, 4 against and 2 ineligible, then the motion passes.

Even though a board member is ineligible to vote, s/he still counts towards quorum and the number of board members present. S/he does not, however, count towards the number of board members voting. A recused board member does not count towards quorum, or the number of board members present or the number of board members voting. So according to the prior example, if four board members were recused, the quorum would have been lost and the meeting would end. [Adopted _____