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**\*\*\*MEDIA ALERT\*\*\***

**CANDIDATE FILING OPENS FOR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

**LOS ANGELES** (December 29, 2015) – City Clerk Holly L. Wolcott announces the commencement of the 2016 Neighborhood Council Elections and the launch of the online candidate filing portal.

To implement the candidate filing phase for the upcoming neighborhood council elections, the Office of the City Clerk staff developed an online module to ease the filing process for potential candidates. The neighborhood council elections are a collaboration between the City Clerk and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Empower LA).

<b>Regions:</b>	<b>1 through 12</b>
<b>Dates:</b>	<b>December 19, 2015 – April 19, 2016*</b>
<b>To become a candidate, visit:</b>	<b><a href="http://empowerla.org/nccr/">empowerla.org/nccr/</a></b>

- ✓ There are 96 neighborhood council of which 88 are holding elections.
- ✓ These are clustered to form 12 regions.
- ✓ Each region has its own applicable deadlines and unique Election Day.\*

**The requirements for stakeholders to participate in neighborhood councils varies. Below is a general description:**

A stakeholder is defined as anyone who lives, works, or owns real property in the neighborhood and also those who declare a stake in the neighborhood as a community interest stakeholder; defined as a person who affirms a substantial and ongoing participation within the Neighborhood Council's boundaries and who may be in a community organization such as, but not limited to, educational, non-profit and/or religious organizations.

**To learn more about neighborhood councils, regional maps, or the definition of neighborhood council stakeholder, visit: [EmpowerLA.org](http://EmpowerLA.org)**

The Office of the City Clerk administers elections for the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Unified School District, and the Los Angeles Community College District. More information can be found on the City Clerk's election website at: <http://clerk.lacity.org/elections/> or contact the Election Division at (213) 978-0444.

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