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There is no need for an "Election Advisory Committee" as some are now advocating. Here are election safeguards already in place:

- State Election Laws mandate numerous security activities that provide checks and balances throughout the entire election process, including: Pre-Election Logic and Accuracy Testing, Mail Ballot Signature Verification, One-Percent Manual Tally audit, ongoing Voter Registration Roll maintenance, and strict Chain of Custody procedures.
- All Election Workers undergo a background check and receive extensive training to perform their duties
- All ballot handling activities are open to observation at both the Vote Centers and at the main Elections office.
- Elections Staff constantly receives feedback and recommendations from the public by email, through the hotline, and engages with **two existing advisory committees – the Language Accessibility Advisory Committee and the Voting Access Advisory Committee** – which meet quarterly.
- Our Registrar of Voters has gone above and beyond to provide transparency to the community regarding the security and integrity of the election through her Election Education Series and "ElectionSmart!" blog and resource page. Videos of the Election Education Series are available on the website: VenturaVote.org.
- The agency's Public Information Officer provides additional robust informational resources, including the website, news releases, and social media, that are kept up to date to provide the relevant, timely information

people are seeking.

- The Registrar has created a new position on staff, the Legal Compliance Officer, to help interpret Election Codes and ensure legislated procedures are strictly followed

Ventura County's elections are already safe, secure and honest. If established, the goal of this Election Advisory Committee will be to cast doubt on the protections provided for in the Voters Choice Act. Formation of this committee is a waste of time and only caters to a small group of election deniers who are misinformed about the processes and protections we have in place.

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