

**From:** [aaron kitzman](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** Agenda item number 93 "Receive and File Report on the Authority of the Board of Supervisors in the Administration of Elections."  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 4:50:02 PM

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Board of Supervisors:

The CA VCA has significantly increased accessibility by mailing every registered voter a ballot, allowing individuals to vote from the comfort of their homes. This move has been especially helpful for individuals with disabilities, the elderly, those with transportation challenges, and those unable to make it to voting locations due to work, childcare, caretaking and other responsibilities.

The CA Voter's Choice Act has provided countless benefits to our county by increasing accessibility for legally eligible voters to participate in our electoral system. Please take no action to make it more difficult for voters in Ventura County to cast their ballots.

Thank you,  
Aaron Kitzman, Thousand Oaks Resident.

**From:** [Barbara Snyder](#)  
**To:** [LaVere, Matt](#); [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** Establishing voting restrictions in Ventura County - a big fat NO  
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We are aware that the Board of Supervisors will be hearing proposals of those advocating for restricting the voting opportunities of the public of Ventura County. Eliminating California's vote-by-mail (which has just gotten better each year since its inception) would be terrible for so many of us. Those advocating for these changes might also want to share with the Board that in other states people line up for five, six or more hours to vote, often giving up and going home and to watch TV instead.

We are completely against restricting these voting capabilities.

Prior to going to hear these advocates pitch, please look up the statistics and see that voter fraud in Ventura County is virtually nil. Please keep our voting rights intact. They are good for us, for you, and for the County,

Thank you,

Barbara & Charlie Snyder  
Ojai, CA

Good afternoon members of the Board and staff. My name is Brooke and I am a resident of Oxnard here in support of protecting and upholding the voters choice act in Ventura County. As a young woman who has only been eligible to vote for a few years now, I am deeply concerned with the attempts to undermine our democratic process by "Restore the Vote Ventura."

Despite my limited time as a voter, I recognize the troubling pattern in the claims being made today. These claims mirror those that we saw in the over 50 lawsuits following the 2020 election, all of which were dismissed as baseless and lacking proof. The demands to opt out of the Voter's Choice Act (VCA) are nothing more than an effort to suppress the vote and silence the voices of those who rely on the flexibility and convenience that the act provides.

Our election system is secure. We have stringent measures in place such as secure ballot drop-off locations, signature verification on mail ballots, and strict chain-of-custody protocols. These safeguards protect the integrity of our elections and ensure that every vote is counted accurately.

With that being said, the Voter's Choice Act has made voting more secure, convenient, accessible and inclusive, ensuring that all eligible voters have the opportunity to participate in the democratic process, regardless of their background, abilities, or circumstances. The voters choice act helps guarantee that more diverse voices are heard and accounted for, strengthening our democracy. We must reject the unfounded claims of those who seek to roll back these advancements and undermine our electoral process. I urge the Board to continue supporting the VCA and to stand firm against any attempts to restrict our rights as voters. Thank you.



**From:** [Damon Montanez](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#); [Long, Kelly](#); [Supervisor Parvin](#)  
**Subject:** Agenda item #93 and #11  
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Board of Supervisors,

I have little to no confidence in the election process in Ventura County. I do not believe that uniform mail-in-ballots make my vote secure. I would much rather vote in person on one day, and not have a random mail-in-ballot floating around.

I think that the voting process should return to the tried and true process of precinct level voting where each precinct is in charge of counting votes at its own voting places.

I believe that the current model of uniform mail-in-ballots and centralized vote count processing centers is ripe for fraud. It would be better to have hand processed ballots in each precinct processed in one day. And it would be optimal if Voter ID was implemented to make sure only citizens of the USA can vote in the elections.

I would support the board if they would return to one day voting all done at the precinct level with hand counted paper ballots, and no machine tallying, unless audited with a 100% hand count.

I do not trust machines to count ballots and not be vulnerable to hacking and manipulation over a network connection. Only a 100% Hand counted audit could authenticate any machine processing.

I would support the creation of an election committee that would be engaged in reviewing voting processes in the county and that would be able to stop bad voting practices, such as the current uniform mail-in-ballot practices.

I would also support the hiring of a special inspector and the creation of an election fraud hotline so that the citizens could report election issues and an inspector could follow-up on them.

Please consider declaring an election emergency in Ventura County to return to one day precinct level voting and hand counted ballots.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Concerned Ventura County Citizen,  
Damon Montanez  
District 4

**From:** [David Delgadillo](#)  
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Hello,  
VCA is great and voter suppression by the right is not. I'm against their proposals to change and limit how and who votes.  
Thanks,  
David D.

**From:** [dawn.dyersheehan.com](mailto:dawn.dyersheehan.com)  
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Honorable Ventura County Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to encourage you to preserve access to the polls and promote full participation in our Democracy by rejecting the Voter Suppression agenda or local MAGA supporters who are attempting to cast doubt on the legitimacy of our electoral process.

As you know, there was ZERO evidence of widespread voter fraud, or election irregularities, during the 2020 Election. Joe Biden was elected by the voters as our legitimate President, despite the dangerous attempts by the former President to overturn the voters choice, and deny the will of the people. Donald Trump and his surrogates filed lawsuits in jurisdictions across our nation, but in EVERY instance, Judges found the claims to be without merit. This review was conducted by judges appointed by both political parties, who all looked at the evidence and said there was not widespread voter fraud.

Why then, would Ventura County alter its election processes on the whims of a handful of disgruntled, politically motivated people?

We can ONLY have a healthy democratic form of governance when ALL qualified voters are well informed and engaged in our electoral process.

PLEASE reject these fictional claims of fraud and MAGA attempts at voter suppression in our community.

**Thanks,**  
**Dawn Dyer, President**  
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**NAWBO Ventura County Chapter - Public Policy Director**  
**NAWBO CA and NAWBO VC - Woman Business Owner of the Year 2018**

**Housing Trust Fund Ventura County - *Founder and Chair Emeritus***



**From:** [Dylan Zulueta](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** Item 93  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Dylan Zulueta and I am a Camarillo resident. I heard you will be discussing elections policies and procedures and I would like to express my support for our County Elections office. Policies like mail in voting and drop boxes are pillars of voting rights; we should be making it easier for everyone to vote, not harder. I am personally affected as I rely on mail in voting. During the elections I am away at college, but I care deeply about our local issues and chose to register to vote in Ventura County. Moreover, reviewing voting policies would unnecessarily undermine trust in the elections process and would be a terrible waste of the Board and the County's resources.

Thank you,  
Dylan Zulueta

**From:** [Gladys Ochangco](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** Item 93  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I heard about the local attempts by some to restrict voting rights for Ventura County residents. I am writing to express my strong opposition to changing our local laws to eliminate early voting, mail in voting, and voting drop boxes. I have been mailing my ballot in or using the drop boxes for the last several elections so changes to eliminate these options would definitely impact me.

I support our Ventura County Elections Office and believe strongly that voting is fundamental to our democracy. I believe we should do all we can to EXPAND voting rights for eligible citizens here in Ventura County and throughout our country - not give in to fear and extreme positions and folks who want to make voting harder for our citizens.

Thank you,  
Gladys Ochangco  
Camarillo Resident

**From:** [Gloria Miele](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** Item 93  
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I am stunned that the board of supervisors would take up these unfounded and ridiculous claims and proposals about our secure voting system. Please dismiss these illegal attacks for the propaganda and assaults they are, not to mention violations of the Voting Rights act.

Gloria Miele  
Camarillo Voter

**From:** [Janette Daniel-Whitney](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to the attempt at voter suppression  
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Distinguished Supervisors,

We in Ventura have an equitable and most secure voting process. We have never had any evidence of improper ballot counting. Tonight you will be hearing from a group that wants to involve you in their efforts at voter suppression by wanting you to

- eliminate ballot drop boxes,
- hand count ballots,
- require same day voting
- prohibit early scanning of mail-in ballots
- etc

I want to express my deep opposition to the implementation of the above strategies. They will simply serve to reduce the number of voters in Ventura who will be able to express their preferences through the ballot. Please do not waste your time with these anti-democratic ideas.

Respectfully,  
Janette Daniel-Whitney  
Voting Citizen

[janettedw@charter.net](mailto:janettedw@charter.net)

This is the mailbox where I get all my emails. Please **ignore the gmail address** and only **use the charter.net** when sending me an email. Thanks

**From:** [jc.simmons@icloud.com](mailto:jc.simmons@icloud.com)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
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Vote NO! Do Not Rescind our current way of Voting. It's such a major improvement over the old procedure. Why the three steps back.

Please do not return to the previous old fashion way of doing our Elections. The current system that we have utilized at least the past two major election is such a great improvement over the old antiaque system.

Who wants to return to marking your sample ballot, then taking that to you assigned local polling place on election day between the assigned hours, somewhere your area, standing in line in the weather, then finally signing the voting log. Then going into a voting booth and standing in that booth as you mark your ballot, hoping not to make a mistake as you copy your sample ballot to the real one, or hoping you remembered your correct choice for the lesser items. Retuning to the main area and inserting your marked ballot into a locked bag collecting the votes for the day.

**Do NOT** return to that Old System. It's a step back in time and a loss of great convenience.

JC Simmons

Diligent citizen, veteran and I vote every election. I paying attention, and keeping track.

**From:** [Marsha Jamison](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
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Dear Supervisors:

I am writing in regards to Item 93 which would limit days of voting in Ventura County. I am strongly against this measure because it would inhibit voting by mail, make voting centers extremely crowded, and limit California's voting power as the greatest State in America.

Thank you for your hard work and as a citizen of Ventura County I hope we can work together to make our county better for all of us.

Sincerely,  
Marsha Jamison  
2031 Jamestown Way  
Oxnard, California 93035  
714-235-9775

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**From:** [Martita Martinez-Bravo](#)  
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Dear Supervisor Kelly Long and Fellow County of Ventura Supervisors,

I write to you as an individual Councilmember from the City of Camarillo and as a constituent of Supervisorial District 3.

I have received multiple concerns from my constituents regarding Item 93 on your June 18th, agenda item, related to the Administration of Elections.

I have thoroughly read the item's letter from your Office of County Legal Counsel and I agree with their recommendation to **Receive and File** Report on the Authority of the Board of Supervisors in the Administration of Elections, attached to this email. As an elected official, I strongly believe it is imperative to abide by California's State Constitution, which we took an oath upon our election. I trust that you will not take any action that would violate state law or that would diminish access of voting rights to our residents.

I would also like to thank and extend my deepest appreciation to Ms. Michelle Ascencion, Ventura County Clerk-Recorder & Registrar of Voters, for her excellent work in providing factual information and multiple community presentations (provided on October 17, November 7, February 6, and January 23). While we live in times of excessive disinformation and misinformation, it is crucial to have people of utmost integrity as Ms. Ascencion in important positions as these, to uphold our values and laws.

I believe the City of Camarillo functions as an exemplary efficient and effective council because we are fact-based, community service oriented, and law-abiding. We set our political differences to the side and focus on what is best for our entire community. As elected officials, it is our moral responsibility to guide our community with factual

information and to abstain from behavior that feeds into false narratives, conspirational thinking, misinformation, and disinformation.

Thank you all for your work and I look forward to seeing you at the next community event.

With Gratitude,

Martita Martinez-Bravo, PsyD, Councilmember (She, Her, Ella)  
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**From:** [Pat Butler](#)  
**To:** [form700clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Voter's Choice Act Report by County Counsel  
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I have been trying to find an email for the County Counsel, but have not been successful. Can you please forward this to her? Thank you.

Dear Ms. North,

Thank you for the comprehensive report to the board of supervisors this morning about the Voter's Choice Act. It was great to hear exactly what the BoS can and cannot do. I am president of the League of Women Voters for Ventura County, but writing as a private person.

We have been frustrated by the requests and accusations made by the "Restore the Vote" group who apparently did not see or comprehend the very detailed report to the Board by Michelle Ascencion about the Voter's Choice Act. Thank you for setting them straight. Great job!

## **Paul Johnson comments to Ventura Board of Supervisors**

June 18, 2024 Agenda Item #11 – Election Integrity

**My name is Paul Johnson. I live in Moorpark.** I consistently vote and do the work needed to cast an informed vote. I actively support candidates who might do the job consistent with my values. I make cash campaign contributions. I canvas door-to-door for candidates. I make phone calls for candidates. I engage in politics at all levels, although I have not yet run for any public office. I am watching you. I expect you to take action consistent with my values. **I will apply pressure and influence as best I can to ensure that my vote and all the legitimate votes are counted as cast, and not diluted by illegitimate votes.**

**For Ventura County this November 2024:**

1. I want to have 100% hand count of the paper ballots to verify of the computer vote count results. I do not trust the computerized voting machines and computerized vote counting machines.
2. I want no release of interim election results before the close of voting on Election Day. Better, do not start counting votes until after the close of voting on Election Day.
3. I want removed from the voter rolls deceased persons, persons who no longer live in Ventura County, and persons who are not Citizens of the USA. Only legitimate voters should be listed in the voter rolls.
4. I want rigorous verification of the voter: Signature verification for mail-in ballot, Voter ID for in-person voting.

**I have activity participated in elections by voting for 50 years.** At this time, I think that elections today in the USA are manipulated and the results cannot be trusted to accurately reflect the intent of the legitimate voters. I have seen evidence of election fraud and manipulation for the 2020 election. Election Deniers are persons who claim “there is no evidence of election fraud”.

As my time is limited, I will highlight **a few items of evidence of election fraud and suspicious activity that have come to my attention.**

- 2020 Fulton County CCTV Video of Georgia Poll Workers Pulling Out Suitcases of Hidden Ballots After Counting suspended and poll watchers sent home due to a plumbing leak somewhere in the building.
- Reports of “mail in ballots” with no folds
- Reports of “mail in ballots” that appeared to be marked using an ink jet printer rather than handwritten using a pen
- 2000 Mules documentary by Dinesh D’Souza regarding suspicious and illegal ballot harvesting in the 2020 election

- In 2022, a US Postal Worker drove a mail truck from New York City to Philadelphia containing a pallet of completed ballots from “Philadelphia” voters
- Dr. Douglas G. Frank concludes from a multi-decade, multi-state systematic analysis of election data and hand-on audits of voting computer system logs:
  - Vote counts are manipulated at the state level, and therefore do not accurately reflect the votes cast by legitimate voters.
  - Voting computers are connected to the internet, despite official claims to the contrary
- In the news: For the recent June 2 primary in Puerto Rico, vote counts reported by Dominion machines were lower than paper counts in some cases, and some machines reversed totals or reported zero votes for some candidates. The company claims that the software issues stemmed from the digital files used to export the results from the primaries.

**Since 2020, election fraud accusations are widespread and convictions for election fraud make headlines across the USA.** I find especially worrisome that prominent persons who raise concerns about the integrity of elections are disparaged by mainstream media, harassed and prosecuted in retaliation for making claims of election fraud, and sued for big money. For example: Rudy Giuliani, Sidney Powell, John Eastman, Mike Lindell and State of Georgia v. Donald J. Trump, et al. Seems to me, these people would be ignored if their claims of election fraud had no merit.

In the USA, the people are sovereign and the government is subservient to the people.

**Unfortunately, many layers of government are today run by persons with agendas that are antithetical to American Values.**

- The American People are manipulated, robbed through wasteful spending of tax dollars and told lies by government agencies and the mainstream media propaganda machine. For example: Covid-19 plandemic-scamdemic, 2016 Russian Collusion Hoax, 9-11, JFK assassination by Lee Harvey Oswald a lone assassin
- In the USA today, Truth Tellers get their lives ruined or worse, while persons who promote the official narrative get promoted at taxpayer expense.
- Voting is the establish means for ensuring that the government is comprised of persons who are honest and competent. Unfortunately, elections are manipulated and the results cannot always be trusted.

**Changes to the means of conducting elections in recent years has greatly expanded the capability to commit election fraud, perhaps intentionally.**

1. Universal mail-in ballots: Uncontrolled, easily intercepted and used by a third party rather than the person named on the ballot. Unsecure, and might not get counted.
2. Weak controls on voter registration – No verification of US Citizenship so a person not eligible to vote can get on the voter roll
3. No systematic purging of voter roles for deceased persons or persons who moved and are no longer eligible voters in the jurisdiction
4. Election Month and release of vote count data prior to “Election Day” so fake ballots can be created to achieve the desired final election result.
5. Weak controls on verifying the identity of the person casting the vote: Signature verification on mail-in ballots and Voter ID for in-person voting.
6. Computerized voting machines and computerized ballot processing machines. Easy to manipulate vote results. Hard to verify vote count process and vote results. Virtually impossible to see the processing inside the computerized machines.
7. Election Season rather than Election Day provides more time to manipulate the ballots submitted and the vote count
8. Release of interim vote counts provides data that can be used to determine how many fake ballots are needed to achieve the desired final election results.

**For Ventura County, I want someday soon:**

1. Only hardcopy Paper Ballots
2. Hand Count (maybe machine count verification)
3. Only legitimate voters on the voter roles
4. Only legitimate voters cast ballots and all legitimate ballots are counted

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**From:** [penny wingert](#)  
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I want free and fair elections don't change the process, penny wingert

**From:** [Rick Farris](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** Agenda Item #93  
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I'm afraid my comments are too late to be considered, but I am submitting them anyway because I feel very strongly about the proposed changes to Ventura County's election processes and contravention of the Voter's Choice Act. Thank you.

It appears that that people who have fallen for the lies about stolen elections and voter fraud are proposing that Ventura County abandon the Voter's Choice Act (VCA) and do the following:

**1. Reinstate an independent Election Fraud Hotline and Election Inspectors Office.**

There have never been such a hotline or office in Ventura County. It's unnecessary because anyone can call the Elections Office any time they have a problem/complaint. There has never been any need for election inspectors because our elections have always been fair and honest. The people who support this and the other measures are sore losers who have created distrust in our elections to further their agenda of voter suppression.

**2. Appoint a Citizen's Election Oversight Commission.** Who will appoint this oversight commission? What is to prevent members of this commission to use their own political prejudices in implementing this oversight? We have people elected by the majority of voters to oversee our elections and we have no reason to distrust them. If those proposing this measure want to be involved in elections beyond their right to vote, they can volunteer to be election workers or do something to help more people who are eligible to vote exercise their rights.

**3. By Ordinance, make elections in Ventura County be 1- day, precinct elections.** The purpose of this proposal is to make it harder for certain individuals to vote. This would mostly affect workers who cannot take time off during the day, those who have long commutes to work, people without access to transportation, those with childcare or elder care responsibilities, people with language issues, and citizens with physical disabilities. The cynical assumption by those supporting this measure is that such individuals are more likely to vote for Democrats, so let's make it harder for them to exercise that right.

**4. By Ordinance, any use of electronic tabulation machines shall be accompanied by a full 100% citizen-assisted hand count audit.** The notion that tabulation machines are somehow programmed to miscount votes has been disproven repeatedly. Those supporting this measure would contend that voting machines in 2020 had been "tampered with" to change the outcome of the election. Do they need a reminder that these lies resulted in lawsuits that cost those who promoted such notions millions of dollars when they could not produce any supporting evidence? And what could be more fraught with the possibility of dishonesty than a room full of people (most with strong political beliefs) counting ballots by hand?

**5. By Ordinance, no scanning, counting or preprocessing of ballots in any form shall take place before Election Day.** What will this accomplish or prevent? Do the proponents of this measure realize that every ballot must undergo a signature verification and other review before it is counted? If no ballots can be processed until election day, the results of the vote will not be available for days.

I encourage the Board of Supervisors to retain the County's adoption of the VCA and ignore the lies about stolen elections and voter fraud. These are simply a ruse to suppress voters because one of the political parties believes it has better chances of winning if fewer people vote. Elections in Ventura County have been working very well; there is no need to change them to please a small contingency of disgruntled people who cannot accept the results when their candidates lose.

**From:** [RN](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** Support for VCA and Opposition to proposed changes to voting laws/processes  
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Good afternoon. I write to you, the Ventura County Board of Supervisors, in support of the VCA as enacted. The proposed changes lack merit or factual support. Absent such factual support, entertaining the proposal or supporting motions is without merit. Indeed, the groups involved with these attempts at changing voting laws at the local level across the country are merely continuing with the attempt by Donald Trump to make the rules for elections to lend such elections in his favor.

The attempt at changing rules at the local level is merely a screen to add to what I assert are radicals attempting to control elections - not to make them any more fair, accessible or to reduce fraud or illegal activity. Indeed, if there is any question as to motive, one only need notice activity by many of the leaders of the movement. These proposals serve only to restrict voting that disproportionately affects those with reduced access to the polls, those with language needs, those who may be out of town or even the country, among other reasons. In the end, it is a reduction in representation of those who already suffer from lack of representation in other areas of life. This should not extend to their right and access to vote for their elected representatives and ballot measures.

It is one thing to be concerned about "election integrity" and quite another to assert that a one-size fits all set of rules that restrict, limit and reduce resources for one's ability to cast their ballot is valid and encourages "election integrity." Indeed, it is nothing short of voter suppression and exclusion.

Those claiming the VCA is prone to error without factual evidence of same and, therefore, merely casting aspersions to create doubt without support, do not do service to the public at large, nor to the country they claim to care about. I strongly encourage support the VCA and express (as if it is not already obvious) my opposition to the proposed changes, particularly at this stage of the electoral season, but also for future elections. Please stand in favor of the VCA.

I'm sure you have received hundreds, if not thousands of comments. As a 30+ year resident and transplant to Oxnard, I appreciate your receipt and consideration of my comments as well.



**From:** [Roy Prince](#)  
**To:** [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** In support of Michelle Ascencion  
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Elections in Ventura County are, and have always been, free and fair without fraud or interference by special interests.

I 100% support Michelle Ascencion and the County of Ventura in the way elections are held and the systems and processes of the Ventura County Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters.

Please do not allow special interests to interfere with elections in Ventura County.



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Keep current voting system. I am a citizen, voter and tax payer in ventura county.  
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Dear Honorable Board of Supervisor Members:

I am writing to strongly urge that you reject current attempts to change how our elections division operates in conducting and tabulating elections in Ventura County. I have been a reliable voter in this county since 1984. I also served as an inaugural member of the Ventura County Finance Ethics Commission. Our elections division has done an exemplary job these many years to make voting accessible and results trustworthy and timely. There is no good reason to tinker with a system that is tried, tested and true. Absent proof, as determined by a court of law, that problems with fair access to the ballot, or fraud in how elections are conducted or tabulated, exist, no ordinance changes should be made to our existing elections system.

We live at a time when allegations of fraud circulate wildly in various forms of media; yet in scores of legal challenges to election results, not a single finding was made that fraud affected the outcome. If citizens of Ventura County believe fraud is a problem, they should provide proof. Absent proof, it would be entirely inappropriate to make changes, particularly in a major election year with so much at stake.

I have consistently found staff at the Ventura County Elections Division to be accessible, knowledgeable, and helpful. Creating a "hotline" for a non-existent problem only serves to reinforce the misconception that a problem exists. There is no evidence that our Elections Division is doing anything but following state and federal elections law. Again, absent evidence of wrongdoing, a Citizen's Election Oversight Commission is unwarranted. We need citizens to volunteer to help staff polling locations, not to intimidate those volunteers, or voters.

Years ago, our local polling precinct in Newbury Park was decommissioned in exchange for mail-in voting. We can still take our mail-in ballots to another polling place or the Elections Division, to drop them off or to exchange a spoiled ballot for a new one. This flexibility works so well for voters, particularly during the rampant spread of an infectious disease, or hazardous weather conditions. To its credit, Ventura County is a participating county in the Voter's Choice Act which involves mailing every voter a ballot, expanding in-person early voting, allowing voters to cast a ballot at any vote center within the county, and providing secure ballot drop off locations throughout the county. Having an expanded time in which to vote by mail or vote in person helps improve access. Reducing that time to a single day, in contradiction to the Voter's Choice Act, makes no sense.

Electronic tabulation machines that are regularly and fully tested can provide highly accurate and more timely results than hand counting. State law mandates a 1% random hand tally after the election to confirm the accuracy of the electronic tabulation, providing additional protection. Absent evidence of tabulation errors, it defies logic to take an efficient system and render it more cumbersome and prone to error.

Mail-in ballots require additional steps for election workers to process, including opening and flattening the ballots and verifying the signatures. There is no good reason these procedures should be prohibited prior to election day. Everything short of tabulation of results should be performed as soon as legally permitted (in California, when the ballots go out in the mail). Prohibiting election division staff from opening ballots prior to election day will needlessly slow the time in which results can be tabulated and reported after the polls close.

Our local elected officials have worked hard to ensure free, fair, and safe elections. Our County has made voter access a high priority, and for this we can all be thankful. Please do not remove our existing protections by acting on a non-existent problem. Passing the proposed ordinances would only serve to shore up a fiction of alleged voter fraud, thereby further undermining public trust and integrity in our elections.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Respectfully,

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