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TO: Superintendents and Presidents

Governing Board Voting Representatives for County Committee Membership

Los Angeles County School and Community College Districts

FROM: Octavio Castelo, Secretary

Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization

and

Assistant Director, Business Advisory Services

SUBJECT: REVISED Election of Members to the Los Angeles County Committee on

School District Organization (County Committee)

Information Bulletin No. 5265, "Election of Members to the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization (County Committee)", dated October 1, 2020, did not contain the nomination information for Mr. Rey Soto from the First Supervisorial District. His biographical information is now included, and he has been added to the ballot.

Informational Bulletin No. 5243, "Nominations for Membership on the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization," August 17, 2020, alerted you about the upcoming annual meeting to elect members to the County Committee. That meeting, which will be held in conjunction with the fall meeting of the Los Angeles County School Trustees Association (LACSTA), is to be held as follows:

DATE: October 26, 2020

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Online

This bulletin informs the voting representatives from each governing board of the process for electing members to the County Committee. Three options are available for the board's voting representative to cast his/her vote. Any option is acceptable.

Option I—Cast Vote by Voting Online

• The voting representative goes to the link below:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ELECTIONBALLOT2020

• Online votes will be accepted up until 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

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• This election is an at-large election. Therefore, **each** voting representative casts a vote for **each** vacancy. There are three vacancies – one in the First Supervisorial District (Attachment 1), one in the Fourth Supervisorial District (Attachment 2), and one in the Fifth Supervisorial District (Attachment 3).

Option II—Email ballot before the LACSTA Meeting

- If a district prefers not to submit their ballot online, the voting representative may email their ballot in advance of the LACSTA meeting on October 26, 2020, to have their completed ballot counted for inclusion in the election. A ballot is included herein (Attachment 4) and each district may submit only one ballot.
- Specific instructions for voting will be provided at the LACSTA meeting. The voting will conclude at the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Voting representatives may submit their ballots until that time only.

Option III—Email ballot *during* the LACSTA Meeting

- If a district prefers not to submit their ballot in advance, their representative may attend the online LACSTA meeting and submit an email ballot during that meeting. Instructions will be provided during the meeting to submit the ballot via secure email.
- The voting will conclude at the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Voting representatives may submit their ballots until that time only.

Biographical sketches provided by those persons who are nominees for election to the County Committee are attached (Attachment 5). This information, combined with governing board input, should allow each board's voting representative to vote with knowledge of the nominees' qualifications.

Vote Tabulation

All votes cast will be totaled. A majority of all those who vote (through both options) will determine the new County Committee members. If the voting representatives fail to elect members to fill the vacancies by a majority vote, a run-off election will be held between the two candidates receiving the most votes. The run-off election will be conducted by absentee ballot, and the results will be announced in an election results bulletin.

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If you have questions, please call me at (562)922-6131, or via email at <u>castelo octavio@lacoe.edu</u>.

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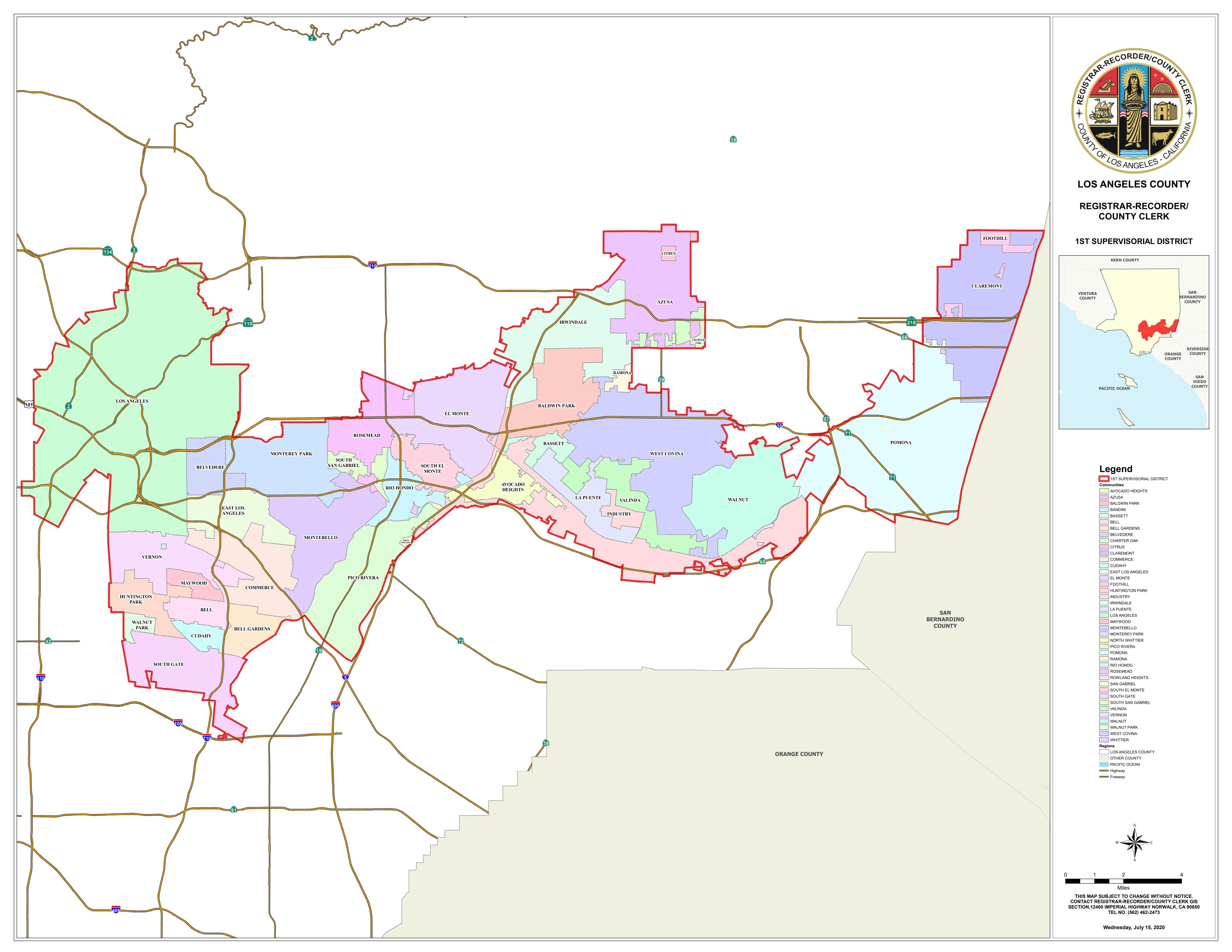
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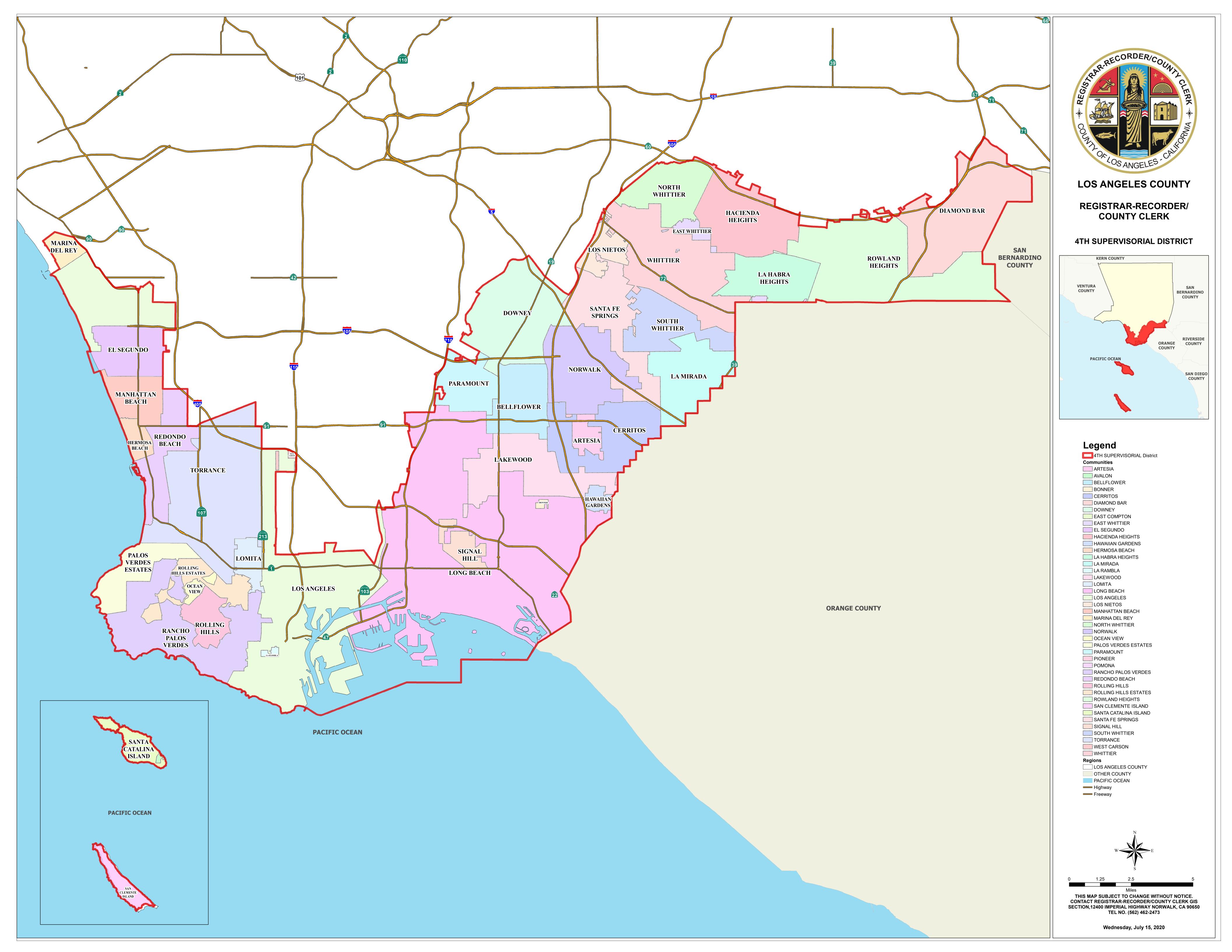
**WHEN SUBMITTING AN ELECTRONIC BALLOT, PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING IN THE SUBJECT LINE: COUNTY COMMITTEE BALLOT FROM [DISTRICT NAME]

TO ELECT THREE MEMBERS TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION FOR TERMS BEGINNING IN 2021

2020 Fall Election

TIKS	T SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for One)	
	John Nunez (incumbent) Rey Soto (candidate)	П
	Write-in Candidate*	
FOUI	RTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for One)	
	Frank Bostrom (incumbent)	□.
	Donald LaPlante (candidate)	
	Write-in Candidate*	
FIFT	H SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for <u>One</u>)	
	Cherise Moore (incumbent)	
	Duane Winn (candidate)	
	Write-in Candidate*	





Los Angeles County Office of Education Business Advisory Services

Nominees for the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization

(For Terms Beginning in 2020 and Expiring in 2024)

First Supervisorial District (one vacancy)

John Nunez (Incumbent)

John Nunez has served on the County Committee for the past 24 years, representing the first Supervisorial District. During that time, he has dedicated considerable effort to community service work through a wide variety of projects, boards and offices. Some highlights include:

- County Committee, 1996-present (Chair, Vice Chair, and Policy & Nomination Committees
- Alhambra Educational Foundation Board Member
- Elected to the Rosemead City Council, 2005-2009 (Mayor Pro Tem)
- SGV Council of Governments, Regional Representative
- SCAG Member, Committee on Energy and Human Development
- Alhambra Unified School District Board of Education, 2002-2005
- Garvey School District Board of Education, 1981-1985, 1993-2002, 2017-Present (President, Vice President, Clerk)
- National School District Board Association Federal Government Relations Committee, 2003, 31st Congressional District Chair
- California School Board Assoc. (CSBA) Delegate Assembly, Region 23-A, 2000 2005
- Los Angeles County School Trustees Association
- Garvey Council PTA (Co-President)
- Rosemead Football League (Assistant Coach)
- CSBA Certificate for Master in Boardsmanship
- Two PTA Honorary Service Awards
- Association of California School Administrators Golden Apple Award
- U.S. Army Veteran (Airborne Infantry), 1969-1971, Honorable Discharge

Rey Soto (Candidate)

Rey Soto has served as a member of the Valle Lindo Board of Trustees for the past five years. Currently, he serves as Board President. Mr. Soto has been instrumental in ensuring that a fiscally responsible budget, including multi year projections, is maintained and regularly updated

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to monitor cash flow. Rey is a strong advocate for students and believes every child deserves a high quality education and the freedom of choice that education provides. New Temple Elementary School was recently honored as a California Distinguished School, making Valle Lindo a 100% California Distinguished School District.

Recognizing the importance of developing personal and social responsibility skills in young people, Mr. Soto strongly supported implementing Capturing Kids' Hearts district-wide to address the social-emotional needs of VLSD students. The District was recently recognized as a CKH National Showcase District, an honor shared by only 6 school districts across the nation.

Mr. Soto has volunteered throughout the El Monte/South El Monte community, including the City of South El Monte's Census Committee, Patriotic City Committee, and Community Activities Commission. He is also a member of the Knights of Columbus and served on the El Monte Union High School District Policy Oversight Committee.

Fourth Supervisorial District (one vacancy)

Frank Bostrom (Incumbent)

On the County Committee since 1992, Bostrom has served as Chair thrice, chaired the Nominating Committee numerous times, been instrumental in updating Board Policies, and shown his understanding of:

- School Districts fiscal statuses
- Evaluative criteria for reviewing reorganization proposals
- CEQA review, and
- Criteria for determination of voting areas

A local business owner, he actively participates in community life.

- Current member of AIA CA COTE [Committee on the Environment] and AIA CA COTE Education Committee.
- Appointed 2020 Chair AIA California Professional Education Committee
- Appointed 2015 to American Institute of Architects Continuing Education Committee Elected chair: 2016 and 2017 --- current member of CE Committee
- Elected 2013 President of the California Council American Institute of Architects
- Appointed 2004 by Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to Architectural Evaluation Board. (4-year term)

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 Appointed 2000 RBUSD Board of Education Representative to City of Redondo Beach Youth Commission (two 4-year terms)

Bostrom has a B.S. from Cal Poly Pomona; honored as a Distinguished Alumni, School of Environmental Design, and is a member of the American Institute of Architects.

Frank Bostrom has the background, interest, commitment, and attributes needed to be a vital, contributing Committee member.

Donald LaPlante (Candidate)

Donald LaPlante has served on the Downey Unified School District Board of Education since December 1979 and will retire in December after 41 years of service. He served seven times as Board President.

Mr. LaPlante has been actively involved in school board organizations. He was elected by his colleagues to the CSBA Delegate Assembly and served for over 26 years before being elected to the Board of Directors in 2012. For ten years, he served as Delegate Assembly Parliamentarian.

He served as President of the Los Angeles County School Trustees Association in 1997-1998 and continues on the Executive Board as a Past President.

Professionally, Mr. LaPlante retired from teaching middle school English and history in Duarte after over twenty years. He received three PTSA awards, including a Continuing Service Award.

A USC graduate, he also holds a master's degree in educational leadership from Point Loma Nazarene University.

Donald LaPlante will dutifully represent the interests of school boards and school trustees while balancing the needs of the community as a member of the County Committee. Please cast your vote in Supervisorial District 4 for Donald LaPlante.

Fifth Supervisorial District (one vacancy)

Cherise Moore (Incumbent)

Dr. Cherise G. Moore believes in service to others above self. In addition to currently serving on the County Committee, she serves as a member of the William S. Hart Union High School District Board of Trustees as the Clerk.

Dr. Moore is also Parliamentarian for the Santa Clarita Valley Council PTA, Recording Secretary and Community Service Co-Chair for the Santa Clarita/Antelope Valley Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., Historian for the Golden Oak Community School PTA, a board member of the WiSH Education Foundation, a board member for Bridge to Home, a homeless services organization, and a member of the Zonta Club of Santa Clarita. All of these organizations seek to provide service or funding to support the needs of others.

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Professionally, Dr. Moore works as an education researcher and technical assistance provider with the American Institutes for Research, focusing on career training, adult education, and post-secondary education at the state and national level.

Duane G. Winn (Candidate)

I have spent 30 years supporting education in the Antelope Valley, California. My wife and I raised two daughters in the Antelope Valley from Kindergarten through Antelope Valley Community College (K-14). Both daughters are teachers, one in K-8, the other in 6-12.

I have been involved in PTA, ASB, STEM Associations, Air Shows, and I serve as Co-Chairman of the Aerospace Valley Regional Robotics Tournament here in Lancaster, Ca. I also serve as fundraiser for local FIRST Robotics teams.

My education includes an AA from Antelope Valley Community College, Graduate Business classes from The Ohio State University, Undergraduate classes from UC Northridge and Cal State Dominguez Hills.

I have served on the Lancaster School District Board of Trustees since appointed in 2017.

I wish to continue my education of School District functions and operations with my application to become the 5th District Representative to Los Angeles County Committee of School District Organization.