



March 30, 2021

The Honorable Jessie Gabriel  
State Capitol Room 4117  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: AB 1053 (Gabriel) City Selection Committee: quorum: teleconferencing.**  
***Notice of Support (As amended 3/22/21)***

Dear Assembly Member Gabriel:

The Los Angeles County Division of the League of California Cities (Division), representing 86 cities in the county, supports your AB 1053 to modernize the City Selection voting and quorum process by allowing meetings to be conducted by teleconferencing and electronic means, provided that all other applicable protocols are followed. AB 1053 would also allow the quorum for each subsequent meeting to be lowered to one-third of all member cities within a county, if the agenda is limited only to items which appeared on the immediately preceding agenda where quorum was not established.

City Selection Committees make appointments to key boards and commissions in each county. In large counties like Los Angeles, the City Selection Committee is made up of 88 different member cities which can create logistical challenges for city officials trying to get to meetings across the county during peak rush hours. This results in key appointments remaining vacant or unable to open for elections.

However, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee has moved its operations to remote meetings, which have created efficiencies in obtaining quorum and filling key appointments. Making these changes permanent under AB 1053 helps ensure that key boards and commission appointments continue to be filled and represented for the public good.

For the reasons, the Los Angeles County Division supports AB 1053 (Gabriel).

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