DLANC Bylaws Amendment Worksheet

This worksheet is designed to facilitate the amendment process for the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council (DLANC) Bylaws. Please complete all relevant fields for each proposed amendment.

Field	Description
Article/Section/Title/Page	Article 10, Section 4, Title: Method of Verifying Stakeholder Status, Page 20
Name of Committee Member(s)	Paul Gamberg and Teresa Y Hillery
Issue	In the last election, voters were required to upload "acceptable documentation" in order to obtain a ballot to vote. This process proved cumbersome and frustrating, creating barriers to participation.
Current Language	Voters will verify their Stakeholder status by providing acceptable documentation.
Proposed Language	Voters shall self-affirm, under penalty of perjury, that they are eligible to vote in the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council election as stakeholders.
Justification	In the last election, voters were required to upload "acceptable documentation" in order to obtain a ballot, which proved cumbersome and frustrating for many constituents. The process created barriers to participation and left some stakeholders feeling that the requirements were intended to hamper involvement rather than encourage it. No evidence of fraud has been documented, making such strict measures unnecessary. Allowing voters to self-affirm their stakeholder status under penalty of perjury ensures accessibility while maintaining safeguards to protect the integrity of the election process.

Has DONE approved similar language for other NCs?	Yes. The decision to require either documentation or self-affirmation of stakeholder status is at the discretion of the Neighborhood Council.
1st Draft to DONE	N/A – This is an established policy.
DONE Comments	N/A
1st Draft to Board	Date
Board Comments	Explain any Board concern(s) with the proposal and ways to address their concern(s), if applicable.
Final Draft to Board	Date
Board Approval	Date
DONE Approval	Date

GENERAL COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

Chair's Signature: _____   **Date**: _____