Board of Supervisors

Meeting Time: 04-22-25 09:00
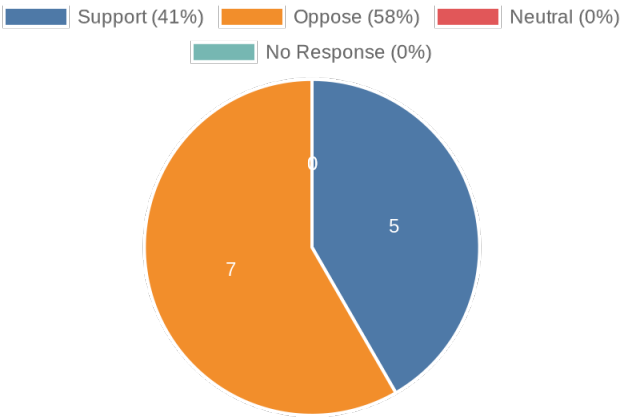
eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
Board of Supervisors	04-22-25 09:00	34	12	5	7	0

Sentiments for All Meetings

The following graphs display sentiments for comments that have location data. Only locations of users who have commented will be shown.

Overall Sentiment

Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
10. ENSURING SAFE AND SECURE ELECTIONS THROUGH SUPPORTING THE USE OF VOTER ID IN CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS	12	5	7	0

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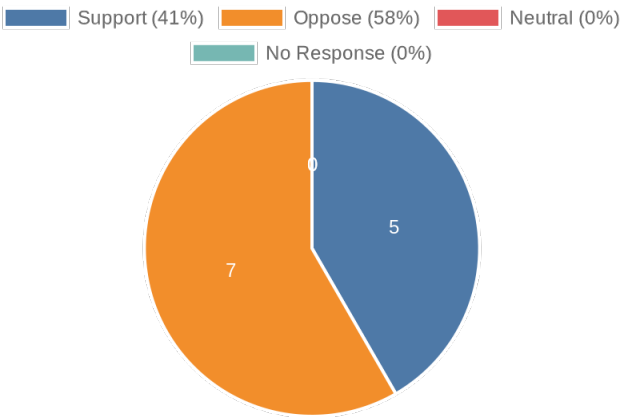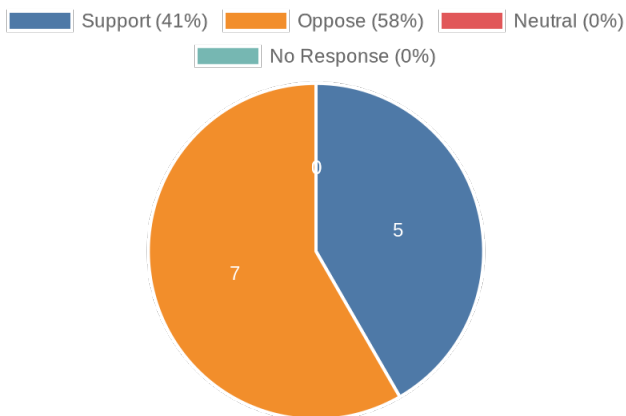
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Support (41%)   Oppose (58%)   Neutral (0%)
No Response (0%)

Erin TsurumotoGrassi
Location:
Submitted At: 2:48pm 04-22-25

Strongly oppose. Voter ID laws disenfranchise voters and disproportionately impact low income individuals, individuals with disabilities, people of color, youth and elderly voters.

Oliver Twist
Location:
Submitted At: 1:12pm 04-22-25

STRONGLY SUPPORT! Allowing non-citizens to vote (even 'inadvertently' thru a flawed system) is disenfranchisement to legal citizens. Please show concern for the legally registered voters and protect our right to not have our votes diluted by illegitimate votes.

Dorie Goldman
Location: 92078, San Marcos
Submitted At: 11:58am 04-22-25

There is no reason for this legislation and I strongly oppose passing legislation which is attempting to solve a problem which doesn't exist! Most allegations of voter fraud are just that-- allegations--which are then dismissed, and passing new laws will result in disenfranchising many elderly, poor, rural, disabled, and/or minority voters. Furthermore, implementing voter ID laws -- when laws preventing non-citizens from voting already exist-- is expensive. For instance, Texas spent nearly $2 million on voter education and outreach efforts after its Voter ID law passed. Why should we be spending money on a non-existent problem? Isn't that money that should be directed elsewhere?

Max Stone
Location: 92126
Submitted At: 10:10am 04-22-25

Voter ID laws are vital to protect the integrity of California's elections by ensuring only eligible voters cast ballots,

bolstering public trust, and minimizing fraud risks. California's reliance on signature verification at polls is vulnerable to errors or forgery. Requiring photo ID, standard for MANY secure transactions, would strengthen safeguards. A 2021 Rasmussen Reports poll indicated 75% of Californians support voter ID laws, reflecting demand for measures to enhance confidence in election outcomes, particularly after 2020's disputes. While some may cite "access barriers," California already mandates ID for certain first-time voters under the 2002 Help America Vote Act, and free IDs are available. Implementing ID checks at polls would reinforce election security, deter potential fraud, and uphold the democratic process. This is NOT some fringe position - this is a *common sense* move that is supported by nearly one third of America.

Karen V
Location: 92128
Submitted At: 9:04am 04-22-25

I am in favor of this item. We need voter ID at the polls, because I read reports of people going to vote in the LA area where they showed up to vote only to be told they had voted earlier. We need to make sure, AT THE POLLS, the actual registered voter is voting. Thank you

Katrina McDonald
Location: 92120, San Diego
Submitted At: 8:53am 04-22-25

It's been documented over and over that these allegations of voter fraud are just talking points from the side of people who want voter suppression. We already have our ID's checked when registering and there are already safeguards in place so cotes are made by those who are registered. If you're so concerned about voter fraud maybe have an audit of a recent major election to see if there is even any voter fraud present in the County. Otherwise this will just make it harder for everyone who works to vote at the bare minimum, given Jim Desmond's constituents are all out in remote areas where voting centers would be more spread out, you'd think he'd be looking at processes to lower the barrier to entry for voting instead of increasing it.

Nancy Behm
Location: 92115, San Diego
Submitted At: 11:33pm 04-21-25

This is ridiculous. The DMV coordinates with the Registrar. You already know who we are when we register! I'm concerned about the implications for this for mail in voting.
And, this will only further disenfranchise voting - especially for people who may be unhoused and have their IDs taken during sweeps, or someone who had their wallet stolen or something. An unnecessary step to further slow down election day.

Bee W
Location:
Submitted At: 9:08am 04-21-25

Voter ID increases integrity and decreases fraud by minimizing and or eliminating dead and illegal voters "participating" in American only elections. Those insinuating Americans or so-called marginalized communities are not smart or capable to obtain an ID only disrespect and patronize those individuals. Non-citizens should never be permitted to vote in any level of government elections. Stop insulting Americans. [There is a rush to get REAL IDs. Which confirms people are certainly capable of obtaining an ID.]

MaryBeth Dawson
Location: 91910, Chula Vista
Submitted At: 6:54pm 04-20-25

I strongly oppose legislation requiring voter ID at the polls. Voter identity is already verified during registration using a driver's license, state ID, or Social Security number, and studies show voter fraud is extremely rare. Nearly 21 million U.S. citizens lack a current driver's license, and 30 million more have licenses with outdated info (such as an old address) or no government-issued photo ID at all. These laws disproportionately harm young voters, Black and Hispanic communities, disabled individuals, and those with lower incomes or education, exacerbating inequities. Most voters in states with such laws are unaware of the requirements, leading to confusion and disenfranchisement. Voter ID laws create barriers to voting, discourage civic participation, and weaken democratic values. I urge the Board to prioritize policies that ensure equal access to voting for all

citizens, rather than imposing unnecessary restrictions.

Benjamin Wong
Location: 92123, San Diego
Submitted At: 3:24pm 04-20-25

There is little to no evidence that voting by non-citizens is on the rise. Why are we spending tax dollars to fix what is essentially a non-issue? Requiring ID to cast a ballot will add an additional barrier to voting. IDs are already checked during voter registration, and the County already has measures to verify cast ballots (e.g., if a signature on a cast ballot does not match to the signature on file, County elections officials will reach out to these voters to verify their signature to before counting their ballot). As a democracy, we should be making it easier to vote, not harder!

Ami Adkins
Location: 92020, El cajon
Submitted At: 2:14pm 04-18-25

There have been NUMEROUS audits, studies, and detailed examinations of elections across the country for years. The grand conclusions: voting by non-citizens is EXTREMELY RARE. It is for all intents and purposes a non-existent problem and not swayed any identified election outcome. This is just more fear mongering and efforts to make voting for CITIZENS harder and discourage people from engaging in the election process. STOP with wasting time and taxpayer money to "fix" a non-problem. There is zero evidence that voting by non-citizens is "on the rise."

Paul Henkin
Location: 91902, Bonita
Submitted At: 4:46pm 04-17-25

Jim, I agree totally. This would prevent non-citizens from voting, help prevent double voting and avoid instances of voting someone else's ballot. Incidents such as these, while still of relatively small scale, are on the rise, and identity verification is necessary.

In this age where someone in a foreign country can push a button and hack into major systems, where AI can create a new you, we have to get used to taking extra precautions for our security.