

COMPLAINT PBRC020

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"Complaint – Reset of Vote

There is conflicting information regarding the deadline for changing one's vote.

On the link: <https://elections.pacifica.org/wordpress/>

FOR ALL BALLOT REQUESTS

If you made a mistake on your ballot, please describe in the notes section. Your ballot will be reset ONCE. Please note that due to the turnaround time, you can only request to reset your ballot through March 12th.

Please note you can only request a paper ballot through March 12th. After March 12th only e-ballots are available.

At the March 5, 2020 PNB meeting the NES said:

[We] decided that we honor voter's choice as much as possible.

Logistically it is little complicated on my end because you can just imagine it is just another layer of work, and also the turnaround time, I am hoping that I do not get flooded by request to change their vote at the end, which is why I put a deadline to do that, but obviously if there are few people, I am going to do my best to honor how people want to vote to the last date. I think it is important. It's just a more of logistical hassle than anything else.

[Reset ballot] is just done the same way as any ballot request is done.

You just request the ballot and you write in the note field why you are requesting the ballot, that you want to change your vote.

Requested Remedy:

1. Since Reset Ballot Request is handled in the same way as the Regular Ballot Request, and since Reset Ballot Request is actually easier to process than the Regular Ballot Request, because the voter status has already been verified, we ask that the Reset Ballot Request deadline to be the same as the Regular Ballot Request deadline.

2. Since the inspectors stated their intention to do their best to honor how people want to vote to the last day, we ask that Reset Ballot Request deadline to be extended to March 18, 2020, one day before the last day to vote.

Election Inspectors Response: There is no Fair Campaign violation identified in this complaint.