

## INHABITED PROPOSALS PROTEST HEARING PROCEDURES

The following are the protest procedures that are specific to the (City/District proposal). The protest procedures for the proposed annexation/reorganization involves inhabited territory. Procedures are set down in Government Code Sections 56100, 57075 and 57078. These are outlined below.

The effect of protests received will be determined not longer than 30 days following the hearing in accordance with Government Code Sections 56100, 57075 and 57078 as outlined in the following paragraphs.

In the case of an inhabited city/district where a change of organization consists of an annexation, the Commission is required to make a finding regarding the value of written protests filed and not withdrawn not more than 30 days after the conclusion of the hearing, and take one of the following actions:

1. Terminate proceedings if a majority protest if the Commission finds that written protests filed and not withdrawn prior to the conclusion of the hearing represent the following:
  - 50 percent or more of the voters residing in the territory
2. Order the change of organization or reorganization subject to confirmation by the registered voters residing within the affected territory if written protests have been filed and not withdrawn by either of the following:
  - At least 25%, but less than 50%, of the registered voters residing in the affected territory.
  - At least 25% of the number of landowners who also own at least 25% of the assessed value of land within the affected territory
3. Order the change of organization without an election if written protests have been filed and not withdrawn by less than 25% of the registered voters or less than 25% of the number of landowners owning less than 25% of the assessed value of land within the affected territory.

*(Gov. Code sections 57075(a)(1)(2)(a)(b)(3) and 57078 (b)).*