

## BYLAW PROPOSAL #4

### ARTICLE IX: Political Endorsements, Section 1(B)(2)

#### Original Text

2. Political candidates shall have completed and submitted the appropriate online candidate questionnaire at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the meeting in which they will be brought up for endorsement consideration.
  - a) Candidates who have not submitted the appropriate candidate questionnaire, as specified in Article IX, Section 1(B) of these bylaws shall not be considered for endorsement.

#### Proposed Changes

2. Political candidates ~~shall have completed and submitted~~ complete and submit the appropriate online candidate questionnaire at least ~~ten~~ seven ~~(10)~~(7) calendar days before the meeting in which ~~they~~ their tabled endorsement will be brought ~~up for endorsement consideration~~ for a vote.
  - a) The Chapter shall not vote on any endorsement motion for a ~~C~~candidates who ~~have not submitted~~ has failed to submit the ~~appropriate~~ approved and adopted candidate questionnaire, as specified in

Article IX, Section 1(B)(2)(b)(1) of these bylaws. ~~shall not be considered for endorsement.~~

b) A candidate who fails to submit the required questionnaire by the second meeting, or 63 calendar days (whichever occurs first), following the meeting in which their respective motion to endorse was made and subsequently tabled, shall not be voted on, and the motion to endorse shall die.

1. As defined in these bylaws, the required questionnaire for a local election is the Local Candidate Questionnaire, which the Valley Chapter created and adopted. It is only available by hyperlink on its website, <https://vcporac.org>. No other questionnaire will be accepted.

a. The affected active member association bringing a local candidate forward for endorsement is solely responsible for ensuring their candidate is provided the link to the approved Local Candidate Questionnaire.

c) Should the motion to endorse die, in accordance with Article IX, Section 1(B)(2)(b), the

candidate endorsement process may be brought forth again, in accordance with Article IX, Section 1(C) of these bylaws.

**INTENT:** *This bylaw proposal intends to clean up ambiguous language from the last bylaw update. The previous amendment prevented a motion to endorse from coming before the Chapter until the appropriate questionnaire was submitted. Now, it permits an endorsement request and allows the candidate to provide the questionnaire after the request has been made but before the vote may take place. Additionally, it clarifies that the Valley Chapter Local Candidate Questionnaire is the only questionnaire that will be accepted and places the responsibility of informing the candidates of the proper questionnaire on the affected member association, bringing the candidate forward for endorsement.*

**Proposed Bylaw (without edits)**

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specified in Article IX, Section 1(B)(2)(b)(1) of these bylaws.

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