Mayor Hahn & other city officials have spent months trying to scare YOU into voting “no” on Hollywood and Valley cityhood. They don’t care about facts…only FEAR!

Well, here are the facts on why YOU should support independence by voting “YES” on Measures F & H!

- **YOUR RENT CONTROL IS HERE TO STAY!**
  The Valley & Hollywood candidates have signed written pledges to preserve LA.’s existing rent control laws in the new cities. After all, tenants are an extremely important part of our community and it would be foolish not to protect their interests.

- **CITYHOOD WILL LEAD TO BETTER SCHOOLS**
  First a Valley City, then a Valley School District. The same for Hollywood and Los Angeles. The independence movement is the first step toward creating smaller more manageable school districts. "Should the city break up, the bell tolls for L.A. Unified. There’s sure to be a breakup of the school district" Steve Blazak, communications director of LAUSD. "Yes, a Valley City would have more clout at the State Board of Education" Caprice Young, President, LAUSD

- **SMALLER CITIES ARE MORE EFFICIENT AND ENJOY LOWER TAXES!**
  Other southwest major cities like San Diego, Phoenix, San Antonio operate at $1,000 per family less than Los Angeles each year. Smaller Cities in Los Angeles County like Burbank, Glendale, West Hollywood, etc., operate at half the cost of Los Angeles. That is why they have lower fees, utility taxes and business taxes.

- **BETTER PUBLIC SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS EVERYWHERE**
  As a smaller city and using existing revenues more wisely a new Valley City will mean 600 more police officers patrolling Valley neighborhoods, a 300% increase in the Department of Aging, a 20% increase in Economic Development Department, 35% increase in Dept. of housing, a reduction in business taxes, a City Manager that runs the city like a business and a customer service department. Los Angeles residents will enjoy an immediate increase in the ratio of police protection (per LAFCO) and have a greater voice in a New LA that will be more responsive.
A VALLEY CITY AND A HOLLYWOOD CITY ARE FINANCIALLY VIABLE
According to County Supervisor/LAFCO Commissioner Zev Yaroslavsky, the new city of the Valley will have a reserve the first year of five percent and finish its third year with a “very robust reserve” of 14%. This is after paying the annual mitigation payment from existing revenues, no increases in taxes and paying for all the services of the new city. Currently, LA’s reserve is only 2%. (see Valley City Budget). Los Angeles will be paid an alimony payment from existing revenues so Los Angeles will have more money to spend to improve Los Angeles communities.

MORE STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS TO THE REGION
An independent report from the Rose Institute School of Government found that as independent cities, more funding can be obtained from the State and Federal government. Smaller cities in LA County collect more grants per person than Los Angeles City because Los Angeles is too large to be effective at getting grants. LA ranks 6th out of the California’s seven largest cities and 25th out of America’s top fifty cities in getting grants. (Rose Report)

YOUR DWP RATES/SERVICE WILL REMAIN THE SAME!
In its final report and resolution, LAFCO (the Local Agency Formation Commission) clearly states that, according to state law, “the City of Los Angeles shall provide the same level of water, power and wastewater service.. and shall charge the same utility rates” as the rest of the city.

CANDIDATES THAT ARE COMMUNITY ACTIVISTS NOT CAREER POLITICIANS
To our opponents, this is a bad thing. To most residents, it’s a great thing! We are tired of the corruption and dishonesty of politics so it’s refreshing to see neighbors - folks who genuinely care about our communities, and who actually live within it - run for office.

DON'T LET THEM SCARE YOU...
Halloween is over!
INDEPENDENCE WILL BENEFIT ALL OF LOS ANGELES
Remember, on November 5th, tell Mayor Hahn that scare tactics don’t work:
VOTE “YES” on F & H ...FOR A BETTER LOS ANGELES!

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