

BCA - BPA - BTU
District 4 City Councilmember - Candidate Endorsement Meeting
Sunday, January 8, 2017

Voting and Ballots rules

The purpose of this endorsement meeting is to unite Berkeley progressives behind a single candidate so the candidate can achieve the critical mass of volunteers and money necessary to compete successfully.

When will I get my ballot? You will get a ballot when you register at the event, if you are a member BCA, BPA or BTU. You will receive only one ballot even if you are a member of more than one of these groups.

Ranked Choice Voting: Alameda County only provides ranked choice voting when 3+ candidates are running for an office. Therefore we are not selecting a second choice in this election. We will share and publish the full results of the election on our website after counting is completed.

How can I avoid invalidating my ballot? Vote for only ONE candidate; if you vote for more than one candidate or leave your ballot blank, your vote will be invalidated and not counted.

When can I vote? We ask that members hear what candidates have to say before casting their ballot, but if you have to leave, you may leave your ballot in the designated container at the registration table, beginning at 2:30 p.m. It will not be possible to turn in ballots before 2:30 because the people staffing those tables will not be set up to receive them until 2:30.

What is the threshold for endorsement? A candidate must receive 60% of the valid votes cast to achieve endorsement. As we are using ranked choice voting, it is not necessary to get 60% of first choice votes.