RECOMMENDATION:

The Governmental Affairs Committee of NCWP recommends supporting the Streamlined Pre-Ballot Assessment Process Prop 218 Process For Construction Assessment as presented by Kevin James to the NCWP Board at the October, 2019 meeting.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Many parts of Westchester and Playa were constructed prior to the requirement of street lighting. Adequate street lighting is viewed by many residents as a public safety issue. The current process to approve installing street lights is often complex and costly. In the view of some it is designed for failure. In August, 2019 the Governmental Affairs Committee corresponded through the Board with the Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL) requesting their feedback on simplifying the process and examining alternatives such as solar as possible approaches to increasing street lighting where it does not exist. In October, 2019, Kevin James, President of the Department of Public Works made a presentation to the full Board outlining changes BSL intended to make to streamline the process. Although not as comprehensive as we hoped, we recommend support of these changes as beginning steps.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

No fiscal liability to NCWP.

ATTACHMENTS:

Letter of support.

MOTION:

That the Neighborhood Council: Support the Streamlined Pre-Ballot Process in regard to installing street lighting with additional solicitations.