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IRAQI LOCAL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD NEXT APRIL: PARLIAMENT

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Iraqs parliament on Monday voted in favor of holding local elections in conjunction with parliamentary polls slated for April of next year.

A majority of MPs voted today to conduct local elections -- initially slated for September -- at the same time as next Aprils parliamentary polls, Abbas al-Bayati, an MP for Iraqs Shia National Alliance bloc, told Anadolu Agency.

According to al-Bayati, the decision was based on a proposal submitted earlier by parliaments legal committee.

Before Mondays decision, several Iraqi political parties had called to postpone scheduled local polls with a view to reducing high administrative costs associated with conducting elections.

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