

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTION CHALLENGE FORM

I hereby submit my challenge for the Sherman Oaks

Neighborhood Council Election held on 03/20/2014

I affirm that I am a stakeholder in this Neighborhood Council and that I have personal knowledge of the following challenge. check here

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REASON FOR CHALLENGE: Eligibility of Candidate

Please state the facts for your challenge.
(max 500 words)

Ms. Cindy Wu Freedman is not eligible as a candidate for Community Interest Stakeholder in Area 2 for purposes of the upcoming SONC election. I have reviewed Ms. Freedman's Candidate Registration Form (attached hereto), which was provided to me lawfully by the LA City Clerk -- Election Division pursuant to a California Public Records Act request. In her Registration Form, Ms. Freedman identified a "Real Estate Housing Listing" at 5215 Sylmar Ave., Sherman Oaks, CA 91401, to support the location of her community interest in Area 2, and declared her stake in the neighborhood as a community interest stakeholder solely as "With properties and listing in the Area of Sherman Oaks". Ms. Freedman does not qualify as a Community Interest Stakeholder in Area 2 for the following reasons: 1. Article IV.C. of the SONC Bylaws (attached hereto) defines a Community Interest Stakeholder as "any person who identifies himself/herself as a Stakeholder not solely because of their residential or business status." Ms. Freedman has, in fact, identified herself "solely because" of her business status (i.e., as a real estate agent "With properties and listing in the Area of Sherman Oaks"). Under the clear language of the SONC Bylaws, this is insufficient to support Community Interest Stakeholder status within Sherman Oaks. 2. The Sylmar property identified by Ms. Freedman to support the location of her Area 2 Community Interest is not a current listing and was actually sold (by her) on February 2012, over 2 years ago. And on the "Listings We Have" page of her real estate agency website (<http://cindyestates.yourkwagent.com/atj/user/AdditionalGetAction.do?pageld=357329>), there do not appear to be any current listings within Area 2, nor does she appear to specialize in Area 2 or even in Sherman Oaks, as her listings appear to be in numerous locations throughout Greater Los Angeles. Leaving aside the question of whether a transitory

real estate listing within a NC Area is even sufficient in itself to demonstrate "substantial and ongoing participation" as described on page 5 of DONE's own Empower LA - Neighborhood Council Elections - Acceptable Forms of Documentation" handbook (attached hereto), the fact is that Ms. Wu currently does not appear to even have any current active listings in Area 2. For the reasons described above, Ms. Freedman does not appear to have any reasonable or supportable grounds to have declared a stake as a Community Interest Stakeholder in Area 2 of Sherman Oaks and is therefore not eligible as a candidate for Community Interest Stakeholder in Area 2 for the upcoming SONC elections.

Please state your desired remedy. (max 100 words)

Disqualification of candidate.

Attach all supporting documentation:

[SONC.Bylaws.pdf](#) [NC-Elections-Acceptable-Forms-of-Documentation-2014-Revised.pdf](#) [CindyWuFreedman.Reg.Form.pdf](#)

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