

# NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTION CHALLENGE FORM

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I hereby submit my challenge for the Silver Lake

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Neighborhood Council Election held on 04/12/2014

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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: Electioneering by candidates

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

On Thursday, March 27, in the evening, SLNC slate Yours Not Ours held a "Meet The Candidates" event in the community garden located at Micheltorena Street School. The garden is a public and privately funded public garden, with funds coming from the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council, Council District 13 and Enrich L.A. just to name a few. Micheltorena and the garden are a part of the LAUSD and the garden is used as an outdoor classroom for the students of Micheltorena St. School. And although held on public, city funded property, not ALL candidates were notified of this event. On Monday, March 31st, Yours Not Ours hosted another Meet The Candidates Event and held it at the Silver Lake Dog Park, an area of the park under the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Department. It is a public space, funded by tax dollars and other city funds. Once again, not ALL of the SLNC candidates were notified of this campaigning event. I reported these events to IAE Gomes and he responded, "If I was made aware of the issues before the event, I would have stepped in and made sure that All candidates were invited and given equal access. I did give Mr. Gomes notice of the March 31st Meet The Candidate Event, but I and 18 others SLNC did not receive a notice for that campaigning event either.

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Please state your desired remedy. (max 100 words)

Using both the Micheltorena St. School Community Garden and the Silver Lake Dog Park, which are both owned and operated by entities of the city of Los Angeles, for a Meet The SLNC Candidates event, without notifying all 59 SLNC candidates, is a violation of #6 of the EmpowerLA Candidates Guidelines. The Yours Not Ours Slate of candidates should be disqualified. All SLNC candidates

received the EmpowerLA Guidelines and electioneering instructions. We all should be held to the same level of compliance, as I was by IEA Gomes.

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Attach all supporting documentation: [Yours Not Ours Challenge 3 word.doc](#)

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