

# NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTION CHALLENGE FORM

I hereby submit my challenge for the	Palms
Neighborhood Council Election held on	05/18/2014
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:	Campaign Material Issues Electioneering by candidates

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

I was at the Bike Rodeo - an event sponsored by the PNC when I noticed that the booth bought and paid for by the NC for the Neighborhood watch, was being used as a campaign booth for Marisa Stewart for her campaign as Palms President and for her private business with New Your Life. I asked the NC at that time if other candidates had been afforded the opportunity to also set up their own booths. I was told no. Candidates were only allowed to put up campaign materials at one single table and they were not allowed to do anything else. Except DONE made an exception that candidates who were affiliated with any group at the Rodeo could use that group's booth to campaign for themselves with that organization's permission. The other candidates at the Rodeo were upset and approached me to complain - I went and observed it myself and when I asked the candidates to go ahead and do the same, they said the NC was not allowing them to do that. The Independent elections coordinator for the NC Linnea called Alisa at DONE during the event and Alisa asked Ms Stewart to move her campaign material to the candidate table - she did not. -I believe that the rule DONE made excluded candidates who did not have organizations at the Rodeo they were affiliated with. -I believe that this gave Ms Stewart an unfair advantage to use her current position in the Neighborhood Watch to get a table solely to promote herself rather than the watch -No other candidates were allowed to have a booth even if they paid for it - I believe this was wrong as well -Ms Stewart was asked by DONE to move her materials during the event to the candidate table and she refused, therefore maintaining her unfair advantage

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Please state your desired remedy. (max 100 words)

This kind of practice is expressly against the rules and I am requesting a review and that the elections be placed on hold to give others more time to campaign or some kind of evening out of the playing field. If DONE has rules that can simply be violated then why are others required to follow the rules? Ms Stewart was asked during the event by Alisa from DONE to move her materials because she was in violation, she refused.

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Attach all supporting documentation:

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