



Grievance Determination

Grievant's Name: John Engelke

Neighborhood Council: Silver Lake

Grievance Number: 148

Violation Alleged: Neighborhood Council Bylaw, Article V, Section 9(a) (5)

Date of Viewing: October 3, 2018

The Department shall review a Grievance within seven calendar days of submission to determine whether the Grievance conforms to the Grievance Policy. Upon a determination that a Grievance conforms to the Policy, the Department shall certify the Grievance for disposition and notify the affected Neighborhood Council that the Grievance may proceed through the Grievance process established herein. The certification of a Grievance by the Department shall not be construed as a statement regarding the validity or invalidity of the Grievance.

This Grievance was reviewed by:

1). Lorenzo Briceño

The Neighborhood Council Grievance process is, in general, authorized to address alleged violations of the Neighborhood Council's rules, Los Angeles City ordinances regarding the Neighborhood Council system, Neighborhood Council funding rules from the City Clerk, or policies of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment or Board of Neighborhood Commissioners. The jurisdiction of complaints that are reviewed under the Neighborhood Council Grievance process is limited in scope. For example, the Neighborhood Council Grievance process is prohibited from addressing allegations against individual board members or addressing violations of State or Federal law. In this case, the remedy sought is the removal of an individual board member, which is not an appropriate matter to be resolved under the Neighborhood Council Grievance process. Accordingly, this grievance is dismissed and will not be forwarded to the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council for further action. Although the grievance will not be processed through the Neighborhood Council Grievance process, the Project Coordinator for the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council has been made aware of the situation and will bring the concerns to the attention of the board for the board to address.