

NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT

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Grievance Determination

Grievant's Name: Jeff Sacher

Neighborhood Council: West Hills

Grievance Number: 432

Complainant Alleges Violation of the Following: Any other City code, executive directive, rule or regulation

applicable to Neighborhood Councils.

Date Received: February 22, 2024

Date of Department Review: March 18, 2024

Dear Mr. Sacher:

Thank you for contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) via the Grievance Portal relative to your grievance against the West Hills Neighborhood Council on February 22, 2024.

OVERIEW OF GRIEVANCE-PROCESS:

The certification of a Grievance by the Department shall not be construed as a statement regarding the validity or invalidity of the Grievance. If a determination is made that the grievance meets the eligibility requirements as prescribed in the ordinance, a notification will be sent to the Neighborhood Council in question describing the next steps and suggested remedy.

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 (BONC). 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.

Your grievance alleges:

Your request to have an agenda item on the 2/21/24 Communications and Outreach Committee was not granted.

RESPONSE: Your Grievance is regarding an allegation involving an action or inaction by a Neighborhood Council committee Pursuant to Sec. 22.818. Neighborhood Council Grievances Ordinance, the Neighborhood Council Grievance process is prohibited from addressing allegations of wrongdoing by a Neighborhood Council committee or an individual member of a Neighborhood Council. As such, Grievance #432 will not be processed by the department and is closed.

While the jurisdiction of the Neighborhood Council Grievance process is limited in scope regarding your complaint, your concerns will be forwarded to the Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate and Director who work with the West Hills Neighborhood Council so that the matter can be addressed outside of the grievance process.

We recommend referring to <u>Sec. 22.818. Neighborhood Council Grievances Ordinance</u> as it may provide answers to questions.

Respectfully,