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## **Election Challenge Panel Determination**

Challenger Name: Eve Sinclair

Neighborhood Council: Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council

Challenge Number: 6, 11

Challenge Basis: Explicit Use of City Logo(s) for Campaign Materials by Candidate(s), Neighborhood Council

Board Endorsement of a Candidate or Slate of Candidates

Date of Review: April 18, 2016

# **Election Challenge Panel Members**

Elvira Del Pozo, Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council Sustain David Greene, Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council Sustain Monica Alcaraz, Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council Sustain

#### **Public Comment**

### **Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Report** Jay Handal, Neighborhood Council Citywide Election Administrator

Terrence Gomes Charlie Bradley Jon Von Gunten Karen Von Gunten Krystee Clark Dana Stangels Nina Royale Cindy Cleghorn

Vote

### Determination

Glenn Bailey

Explicit Use of City Logo(s) for Campaign Materials by Candidate(s)

X Sustained

□ Dismissed

Neighborhood Council Board Endorsement of a Candidate or Slate of Candidates

X Sustained

Dismissed

The Panel determined that Mr. Von Gunten had access to post candidate endorsements on the Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council Facebook page in violation of the Election Manual.

The Election Challenge Panel's remedy to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is: To issue a letter of reprimand to Jon Von Gunten asking to not post elections materials on Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council website for future elections. Ms. Del Pozo and Mr. Greene voted for a letter of reprimand, and Ms. Alcaraz voted for disqualification of Mr. Von Gunten. The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment will follow the Panel's majority determination and send a letter of reprimand to Mr. Von Gunten within thirty days.