

## ATTACHMENT G: LIST OF ACCEPTABLE CHALLENGES

Stakeholders who meet the eligibility requirements listed in the 2019 Neighborhood Council (NC) Election Handbook may file an election challenge on the conduct of a NC Election. The City Clerk will accept challenge requests for the following claims:

- Ongoing electioneering by candidate(s) or stakeholder(s) at a polling place on Election Day;
- Explicit use of City logo(s) for campaign materials by candidates (including LA City logo, City Clerk logo, the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) logo, NC logo, and any other City department logo);
- NC Board endorsement of a candidate or slate of candidates;
- Use of NC funds or outreach materials to endorse a candidate or slate of candidates;
- Polling place is not located at an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible facility (if curbside voting was not available);
- Incorrect ballots which caused voters to vote significantly more or less for a non-qualified or incorrect candidate;
- Ballot duplication (by candidate or stakeholder); or
- Illegal voting (e.g. a voter who casts more ballots than allowed in a NC Election.)

The following claims will **NOT** be accepted as grounds for an election challenge:

- Lack of outreach (outreach performed by a NC, DONE, or any other City entity);
- Published articles (challenges based on election information published in media (e.g., online, print, or any other type of media);
- Translated election material;
- Conduct regarding election or candidate information forums, or lack thereof;
- Polling place location selection (unless the challenge is related to ADA compliance as described above);
- Change of polling place location;
- Email forwarding of NC "Get Out To Vote Material";
- Ballot design;
- NC-endorsed election procedures or policies;
- NC bylaws;
- Stakeholder qualifications to vote;
- DONE-approved outreach material;
- Campaign expenditure(s);
- Poll workers or perceived poll worker bias;

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The following claims will **NOT** be accepted as grounds for an election challenge, continued:

- Use of police and/or security at a polling place;
- Error in voting instructions;
- Lack of necessary voting materials;
- A NC meets at the same location as the polling place;
- Language assistance at the polling place, or lack thereof;
- Use of LA City logo, City Clerk logo, DONE logo, or NC logo if used on a website as identification for an active link to click through to the City, DONE or NC website, social media page, etc.; or
- Endorsements and sample ballots created by and/or distributed by stakeholders or candidates that ask voters to vote for a specific candidate.

Please note that the City Clerk is responsible for addressing and enforcing election-related rules and regulations. When reviewing submitted challenges, the City Clerk will take into consideration whether an alleged violation was previously addressed by the City Clerk and/or DONE and if either department had an opportunity to provide effective relief.