



Intimidation

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A growing number of residents have written thoughtful pieces to express their views but are reluctant to be known as the author. It is far more impactful to have someone stand up and speak the truth without the cloak of anonymity.

What I fear is that the Caucus has demonstrated its capacity for intimidation and malicious attacks and that aggression has silenced those with great wisdom and knowledge to openly share.

It is an effective way to silence our voices and extinguish democracy in our City when voters have no choice in who governs them.

It is not a legitimate democratic process when the Caucus Committee does not accept the vote of its Caucus Members (voters) for our elected officials. It would be counter productive and further deteriorate its credibility for the Caucus to consider altering the bylaws to make the vote non-binding in future "elections."

In my opinion, this broken Caucus not only overthrew the will of the voters in its own election but it conducted the most vitriolic and hateful campaign against a respected independent candidate that I have ever witnessed in my 28 years as a Lake Forest resident.

This vile campaign treatment is further evidence of the low level that this Caucus would stoop to maintain its ultimate power. I would expect this environment living in Russia but not in my hometown. I hope the majority of our voters become emboldened enough to speak up and demand change.