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Subject: Support for Public Financing of City Council Elections

May 28, 2014
Cambridge City Clerk Donna P Lopez

Dear Donna P Lopez,

I support the idea of publicly financing elections for City Council. The Council should study how this has been implemented in other municipalities, and develop a plan that captures the best ideas from those.

I believe such a plan should include the following:

- 1) The ability to opt out, in which case a candidate would be responsible for his or her own fund raising, and
- 2) A matching formula, such that candidates who raise a large number of small donations (< \$50) are eligible to receive additional funds from the City.

Sincerely,

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