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**Subject:** Voting Process

Sorry, but I find myself contacting you twice in a couple of weeks on issues that we find important

I appreciate your reply to my email last week. Thanks for the acknowledgement.

This week counsel is starting an investigation into whether to spend 350k on revamping our voting process.

My first question is "why"? The Liberal government jumped through various hoops to convince the 'people of Canada' that this was a good idea. They spent millions of our dollars to tell us that there is no consensus on this. People are happy with the system in place and DON'T want it changed. Why does our counsel feel the need to get involved in an issue that has been settled on a country-wide scale?

If someone wants to get elected, they need to get the votes. That is what democracy is about but then I am preaching to the choir here. You are quite up to date on the processes. First Past The Post has been a defining mark of any healthy democracy.

My next question would be: is this an imitative started by Liberal grassroots folks to get the ball rolling for Ottawa?

As my representative on Counsel, I want you to understand our position and vote accordingly. If we do go to a Ranked Ballot, I would have no problem adjusting the ranks on my ballot.

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