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**Sent:** Thursday, March 9, 2017 12:15 PM **To:** Hopkins, Anna <a href="mailto:ahopkins@london.ca">ahopkins@london.ca</a>

Subject: Ranked Balloting

## Good afternoon Anna;

I understand that the City is presently exploring options to use Ranked Choice Voting (a ranked ballot system) for the 2018 Municipal Election. As a homeowner in Ward 9, I am writing to you today to ask you to not support a change to Ranked Choice Voting (a ranked ballot system). The existing electoral process has served the City well in the past. It is a process that is well understood and employed by all municipalities in Ontario, all Provinces in Canada and Federally. London's time, energy and tax dollars would be much better spent on real issues like jobs, the economy, poverty, and affordable housing. Please do not spend my tax dollars on a new system when the existing system is not broken nor in need of repair. Sadly, I suspect that the only ones that you as a councillor will hear from are those that are in support of a change to the Ranked Choice Voting (a ranked ballot system), for whatever reason. I can assure you that the vast silent majority of your constituents and London tax payers do not see this as an issue that needs Council attention. When the times comes, I hope to see that you have voted against pursuing this matter further and against employing Ranked Choice Voting (a ranked ballot system) for the 2018 Municipal Election.

Thanks, Dave

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