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Subject: Ranked ballot voting position paper

This position paper is prepared noting that the city public meeting addresses how the ranked ballot works. It does not generate a discussion on pros and cons. City Clerk indicated it is not their role or the role of Councillors unless they approve doing so to have a discussion on pros and cons.

A review of the 2014 election results generates some interesting data on voting procedures. The data is the basis for this position paper being prepared.

Mayor 57.7% of vote; 15 candidates; 259,133 / 111,937 or 43.2% voted.
Ward 1 50.7% of vote; 4 candidates; 17,859 / 5678 or 31.8% voted.
Ward 2 39.0% of vote; 3 candidates; 17,449 / 5696 or 32.6% voted. other 2 had 34 & 27%.
Ward 3 52.5% of vote; 5 candidates; 31.1% voted.
Ward 4 59.2% of vote; 6 candidates; 31.7% voted.
Ward 5 57.4% of vote; 8 candidates; 42.6% voted.
Ward 6 28.3% of vote; 7 candidates; 32.2% voted. others got 23.4 / 18.3 / 13.0 / 10.2 / 0.6 %
Ward 7 56.7% of vote; 5 candidates; 40.6% voted.
Ward 8 83.1% of vote; 2 candidates; 42.6% voted.
Ward 9 46.2% of vote; 7 candidates; 47.5% voted. others got 22.9 / 14.3 / 12.5 / 2.4 / 1.3 / 0.4 %
Ward 10 51.5% of vote; 3 candidates; 39.2% voted.
Ward 11 54.2 % of vote; 6 candidates; 40.6% voted.
Ward 12 48.5% of vote; 3 candidates; 33.0 voted. others got 44.2 / 7.4 %
Ward 13 40.0 % of vote; 7 candidates; 28.7% voted. others got 24.3 / 16.6 / 6.9 / 4.8 / 4.5 / 2.9%
Ward 14 39.0% of vote; 6 candidates; 37.5% voted. others got 24.8 / 17.9 / 12.9 / 3.5 / 1.9%

Note: Ranked balloting could have resulted in 6 second place finishers winning. Wards 2, 6, 9, 12, 13, 14.

Note: Mandatory voting is better ! Source Andrew Coyne; London Free Press Sept. 10, 2016.

2016 census had a 97.8% responses verses 2011 volunteer response was 68% .
"Democracy isn't just for the better educated or the well informed. It is for everybody!"
It is one thing to raise an issue as this Council is doing; with their biasness pushing the time button. Simplicity is not being able to write down 1,2, or 3. It is to know and understand the people behind the taking away your democratic right to vote or not to vote.