

DISCLOSURE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENSES

City Council, at its meeting held on March 27, 2006, passed *Bylaw No. 8491, The Campaign Disclosure and Spending Limits Bylaw, 2006*. The bylaw requires that all candidates for City Council file a Statement of Election Expenses/Contributions with the Returning Officer on or before the first working day of May in the year immediately following the year in which an election is held.

The Statement of Election Expenses/Contributions consists of a Statutory Declaration (Schedule A) indicating the total campaign contributions and the total campaign expenses of the candidate, a list (Schedule B) of the contributor names and amount for all contributions exceeding \$250.00 and, for Mayor candidates only, an audited statement of campaign revenues and expenses (Schedule C).

Section 10 of the *Bylaw* provides that all documents filed with the Returning Officer are public documents and, at any time after May 1, may be inspected at the office of the City Clerk during regular office hours. Section 10(3) of the *Bylaw* further states that the Returning Officer shall forward to Council and also post in a conspicuous place a report summarizing the campaign contributions and campaign expenses of each candidate, with a notation for any candidate who has exceeded the limit on campaign expenses, and the names of any candidates who fail to file the required disclosure statements.

The information contained in the chart on the following page is submitted to City Council in accordance with Section 10(3) of the bylaw. It will also be posted in the lobby of City Hall and on the City's website. There were 34 candidates, 9 of whom failed to file the required disclosures. None of the candidates who filed have exceeded the limit on campaign expenses. The following candidates failed to file the required disclosure statements:

Mayor	Mark Ewart, Jim Maddin, Ron B. Kocsis (Schedule C only), Johnny Melenchuk, Mark D. Weinmeyer
Ward 2	John Dubets, David Prokopchuk, Don R. Wilson (Schedule A only)
Ward 8	Robert P. Schmeiser

Name	Office	Contributions	Expenses	Exceed Limit	Failed To File
Don Atchison	Mayor	\$87,527.97	\$62,666.91	No	
Mark Ewart	Mayor				Yes
Ron B. Kocsis *	Mayor	\$2,429.17	\$2,429.17	No	Schedule C
Jim Maddin	Mayor				Yes
Johnny Melenchuk	Mayor				Yes
Lenore Swystun	Mayor	\$37,858.83	\$57,649.60	No	
Mark D. Weinmeyer	Mayor				Yes
Donna L. Birkmaier	Ward 1	\$3,694.00	\$3,555.10	No	
Darren Hill	Ward 1	\$5,913.00	\$9,717.39	No	
John Dubets	Ward 1				Yes
Brian K. Graham	Ward 1	None	\$40.00	No	
Pat Lorje	Ward 2	\$8,002.00	\$7,962.14	No	
Robert W. Maunder	Ward 2	\$50.00	\$1,608.15	No	
Pamela Nykolaishen	Ward 2	None	\$100.00	No	
David Prokopchuk	Ward 2				Yes
Pat Tymchatyn	Ward 2	\$300.00	\$3,940.13	No	No
Don R. Wilson **	Ward 2				Schedule A
Maurice Neault	Ward 3	\$3,909.00	\$339.25	No	
Myles Heidt	Ward 4	\$5,155.00	\$4,234.15	No	
Sandy Preston	Ward 5	\$505.00	\$3,109.36	No	
Fred Wesolowski	Ward 5	\$756.67	\$1,146.95	No	
Gordon Wyant	Ward 5	\$11,987.99	\$9,197.26	No	
Charlie Clark	Ward 6	\$10,004.95	\$8,906.73	No	
Elaine J. Hnatyshyn	Ward 6	\$10,174.99	\$9,838.43	No	
Chary Rangacharyulu	Ward 6	\$1,000.00	\$7,500.00	No	No
Les Morrison	Ward 7	\$6,985.00	\$6,432.38	No	
Bob Pringle	Ward 7	\$5,932.00	\$6,361.85	No	
Carol Cisecki	Ward 8	\$6,085.22	\$6,085.22	No	
Glen Penner	Ward 8	\$6,170.00	\$4,349.38	No	
Robert P. Schmeiser	Ward 8				Yes
Tiffany M. Paulsen	Ward 9	\$7,789.99	\$7,555.60	No	
Gordon Wenzel	Ward 9	None	\$1,598.43	No	
Patrick Bundrock	Ward 10	\$7,828.19	\$7,828.19	No	
Bev Dubois	Ward 10	\$9,216.50	\$7,926.75	No	

* Mr. Kocsis filed Schedules A, B and C, but Schedule C was not audited. Schedule C was therefore returned to him to be audited, and has not been re-submitted.

** Mr. Wilson filed Schedule B, but did not file Schedule A.

All candidates were advised at the time of the election of the disclosure requirement. In addition, a letter was sent to all candidates on February 5, 2007, reminding them of the

requirement. Candidates who have not filed their required disclosures will receive one more letter, advising that if they do not file their disclosures by May 31, 2007 the Returning Officer will commence discussions with appropriate counsel regarding the prosecution process. Every person who contravenes any provision of the Bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 and, in the case of a continuing offence, to a further fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for each day during which the offence continues.

There is also provision in the bylaw for handling complaints that candidates have filed false, misleading or incomplete disclosures. Complaints are to be filed with the City Clerk, must be in writing, and must contain the name, mailing address and telephone number of the complainant; the name of the candidate who is the subject of the complaint; the nature of the complaint and the material upon which the complaint is made; and the name, address and telephone number of any person that may have any information that will assist in the investigation of the complaint. Complaints will be forwarded to the election Disclosure Complaints Officer, Ms. Janice Baker, for investigation. The Election Disclosure Complaints Officer may either dismiss the complaint or uphold the complaint, and her decision is final. If the complaint is upheld, the Election Disclosure Complaints Officer shall send a copy of the decision to the City Clerk with a recommendation that the matter be referred for review as to whether a prosecution is warranted.

Janice Mann
Returning Officer

May 5, 2007