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President Tyasha Walker-Myers
Board of Alders
City Hall
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Dear President Walker-Myers,

We are writing to request an alder committee hearing or workshop on preparations for the November 5, 2024 election.

November's election is of vital importance nationally and locally. We anticipate a high voter turnout since the ballot will include President of the United States, US Representative and Senator, State Representative and Senator, the Registrar of Voters, and an important ballot referendum pertaining to voting rights and access.

People need to know when and where they can vote and what is on the ballot to ensure everyone who wants to vote is able to. Past alder City Services and Environmental Policy committee hearings and workshops on election preparations have helped ensure the city is taking steps to make voting run as smoothly as possible.

It would be valuable for the Registrar's Office and City Clerk's Office to provide their plans for the election in November and respond to questions from the Alders on topics such as:

- The details for conducting early voting and educating the public about the process. (This is the first general election with early voting; were any lessons learned in the inaugural early voting opportunity this past spring?);
- How they will educate people about the process for absentee voting;

- How they will educate people about state redistricting (This is the first Presidential election since state redistricting, so some voters may not be aware their voting location has changed.);
- Education efforts on the referendum question;
- Preparations for and educating people about Same Day Registration; and
- Steps being taken to prepare for a large voter turnout.

We are grateful for the past hearings/workshops on election preparations. Thank you very much for considering our request for this year, which ideally could take place at least one month prior to Election Day.

Sincerely,

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