

MEMORANDUM

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To: Beth McEwen, CBJ City Clerk

From: Ed King on behalf of the initiative petition committee

Date: May 7, 2021

RE: Withdraw of Initiative Petition

Ms. McEwen,

Thank you for your diligent effort to validate and prepare our initiative petition in such a timely manner. In response to your email asking for approval of the signature page proof, we ask that you halt the process. Out of respect for taxpayers, we do not want to expend the city's resources necessary to pay for the cost of printing.

The petition committee has determined that, given the current conditions, we will not be able to collect the nearly 3,000 signatures within the 30-day limit. Therefore, we are withdrawing the petition effective immediately.

While we still believe that a significant change to the election process should not be left solely in the hands of those already in power, we hope that the Assembly members will appreciate the value of direct democracy in instances that impact the democratic process itself. Therefore, although we will not pursue a citizen's initiative this year, we are hopeful that the conversation will continue.

Thank you again for all your assistance and diligent service.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ed King', written in a cursive style.

Ed King

CC: Assembly Members