City of Mississauga

Agenda



Election Campaign Finances Committee

Date: April 11, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: Council Chambers, Civic Centre, 2nd Floor

300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1

and Online Video Conference

Members

Ron Colucci Citizen Member, Chair

Safia Farouk Citizen Member

Jose Torres Citizen Member, Co-Vice Chair Mahmood Nulla Citizen Member, Co-Vice Chair

Zahir Dharsee Citizen Member

Contact

Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services

905-615-3200 ext.55423

Emai: angie.melo@mississauga.ca

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INDIGENOUS LAND STATEMENT

We acknowledge the lands which constitute the present-day City of Mississauga as being part of the Treaty and Traditional Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, The Haudenosaunee Confederacy the Huron-Wendat and Wyandotte Nations. We recognize these peoples and their ancestors as peoples who inhabited these lands since time immemorial. The City of Mississauga is home to many global Indigenous Peoples.

As a municipality, the City of Mississauga is actively working towards reconciliation by confronting our past and our present, providing space for Indigenous peoples within their territory, to recognize and uphold their Treaty Rights and to support Indigenous Peoples. We formally recognize the Anishinaabe origins of our name and continue to make Mississauga a safe space for all Indigenous peoples."

- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- 5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING Nil
- 6. DEPUTATIONS
- 6.1 8.1 Hussein Al-Dhalaan, Contributor
- 7. COMMUNICATIONS
- 7.1 8.1 Hussein Al-Dhalaan Carolyn Parrish Submission
- 7.2 8.2 Emilio Bisceglia Carolyn Parrish Submission
- 7.3 8.2 Email dated March 25, 2025 from Emilio Bisceglia
- 7.4 8.3 Claudia Cortelluci Carolyn Parrish Submission
- 7.5 8.6 Dario Favot Carolyn Parrish Submission
- 7.6 8.7 Thadsaneswary Gunarajan Carolyn Parrish Submission
- 7.7 8.10 Rajvinder Grewal Carolyn Parrish Submission
- 8. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED
- 8.1 City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election Hussein Al-Dhalaan
- 8.2 City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election Emilio Bisceglia

9.	ADJOURNMENT
8.10	City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Rajvinder/Raj Grewal
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8.8	City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Soufy Saad
8.7	City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Thadsaneswary Gunarajan
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Sent: Friday, April 4, 2025 3:02 PM

To: Angie Melo <Angie.Melo@mississauga.ca>

Cc: Diana Rusnov < Diana. Rusnov @mississauga.ca > **Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Summary of Over-Contributions

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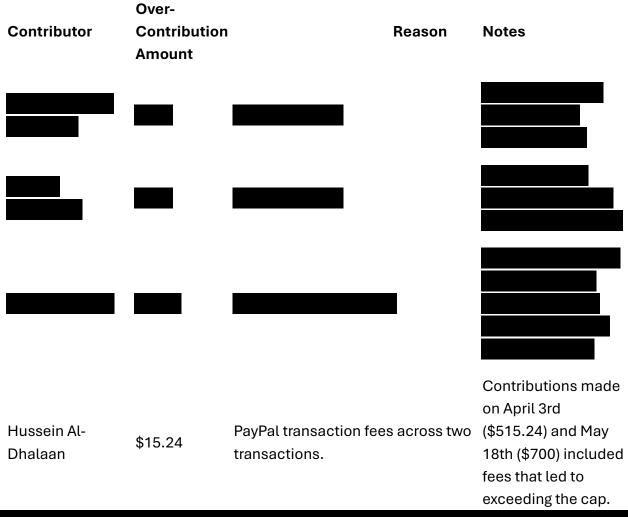
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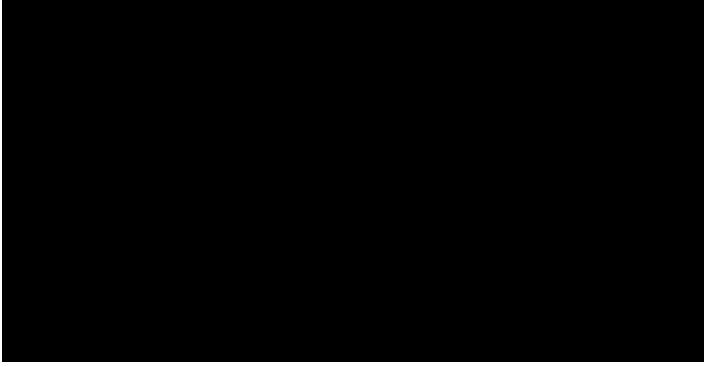
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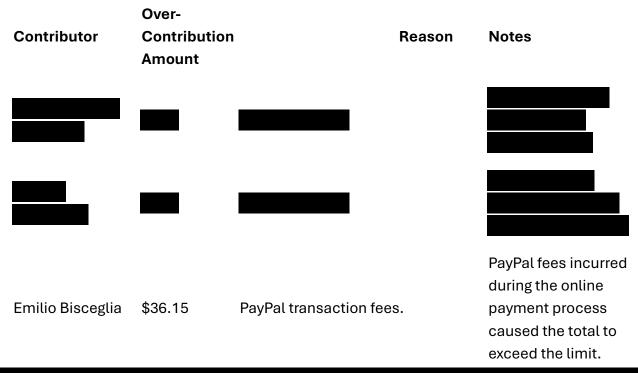
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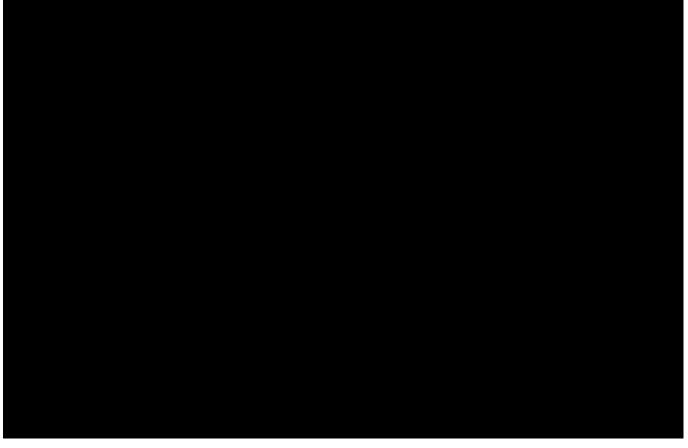
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 From:
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to Campaign Contribution Notice Received Regarding Carolyn Parrish

Date: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 3:59:49 PM

Attachments: Email from Paypal.pdf

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Good afternoon,

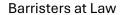
I am writing in response to the notice sent regarding an over-contribution to Carolyn Parrish's 2024 Mayoral By-election campaign.

I believe the over-contribution and discrepancy of \$36.15 occurred due to PayPal transaction fees that were applied to my contribution toward the Mayoral By-Election. The total amount I paid was the sum of \$1,236.15, which comprised \$1,200 of my contribution plus \$36.15 for the PayPal transaction fee. Attached is a copy of my PayPal receipt to clarify this matter.

I trust the above is satisfactory. Kindly let me know if you require any further information with respect to this matter. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Emilio Bisceglia Bisceglia and Associates P.C.





From: service@intl.paypal.com <service@intl.paypal.com>

Sent: Monday, March 25, 2024 8:50 PM

To: Emilio Bisceglia <

Subject: Receipt for your donation to Carolyn Parrish Campaign

This sender is trusted.

Hello, Emilio Bisceglia



You donated \$1,236.15 CAD to Carolyn Parrish Campaign

Thank you for using PayPal

Donation Details

Date

March 25, 2024

Transaction ID

Purpose

(Maximum Donation per person is \$1200, not including the fee)

Donation to

Carolyn Parrish Campaign

Donation from

Donation amount

\$1,236.15 CAD

Total amount of this transaction

\$1,236.15 CAD

Funding Sources Used (Total)

VISA x- 3511

\$1,236.15 CAD

The transaction will appear on your credit card statement as PAYPAL *CAROLYNPARR.

Please note it may take a little while for this donation to appear in the Activity section of your account.



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Over-Contribution Contributor Reason **Notes** Amount This was resolved Contributions from 2 separate with the clerk on family members under Dario and \$1000.00 December 11th, Michael Favot 1 joint account. Both were 2025, via email incorrectly recorded under Dario. (attached).

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Thadsaneswary Gunarajan	\$0.05	Data entry error.		Over-contribution was a result of incorrect input.

From: Carolyn Parrish <				
Sent: Friday, April 4, 2025 3:05 PM				
To: Angie Melo <angie.melo@mississauga.ca> Cc: Diana Rusnov <diana.rusnov@mississauga.ca></diana.rusnov@mississauga.ca></angie.melo@mississauga.ca>				
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Rajvinder Grewal - Election Over-contribution				
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Hello Angie,				
As mentioned in my previous email – Below is the earlier correspondence resolving the matter under Rajvinder Grewal with the elections officer. Apologies I couldn't include two email chain attachments in one email.				
Let me know if you have any questions.				
Thank you,				
Carolyn				

Great, thanks for clarifying.



Gus Mangos

Elections Officer

T 905-615-3389

Election.Office@mississauga.ca

https://mississaugavotes.ca/

City of Mississauga | Corporate Services Department,

Legislative Services Division

From: Carolyn Parrish < Carolyn.Parrish@mississauga.ca>

Sent: Friday, December 13, 2024 1:19 PM

To: Election Office < Election.Office@mississauga.ca >; Carolyn Parrish

<<u>Carolyn.Parrish@mississauga.ca</u>>; <u>info@parrishformayor.com</u>

Subject: RE: Rebate Program Review

Hello Gus

This seems to be a typo as it is Amanda.

Thank you,

From: Election Office < Election.Office@mississauga.ca >

Sent: Friday, December 13, 2024 11:51 AM

To: Carolyn Parrish < <u>Carolyn.Parrish@mississauga.ca</u>>; <u>info@parrishformayor.com</u>

Cc: Election Office < <u>Election.Office@mississauga.ca</u>>

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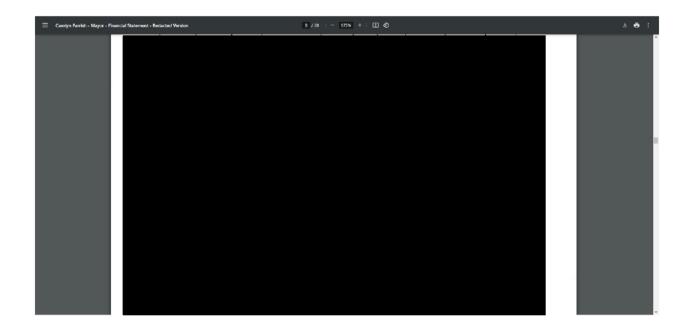
Importance: High

Hello Mayor Parrish,

Thank you again for clarifying.

I have one more contributor I am trying to verify. As shown below, there is a contribution from Another candidate has a contribution from at the same address.

Can you clarify if your statement is correct as shown or if it is a typo? This will affect the amount of the rebate issued for this contributor:



Thanks

<image002.png>

Gus Mangos

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City of Mississauga | Corporate Services Department,

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From: Carolyn Parrish < Carolyn.Parrish@mississauga.ca>

Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2024 4:23 PM

To: Election Office < Election.Office@mississauga.ca >; Carolyn Parrish

carolyn.Parrish@mississauga.ca; info@parrishformayor.com

Subject: RE: Rebate Program Review

Hello

The Raj Grewal \$900 May 7, 2024 contribution was his spouse and should be:

Shikha Kasal \$900 May 7, 2024.

Thank you

From: Election Office < Election.Office@mississauga.ca >

Sent: Wednesday, December 11, 2024 11:40 AM

To: Carolyn Parrish < Carolyn.Parrish@mississauga.ca; info@parrishformayor.com;

Subject: Rebate Program Review

Importance: High

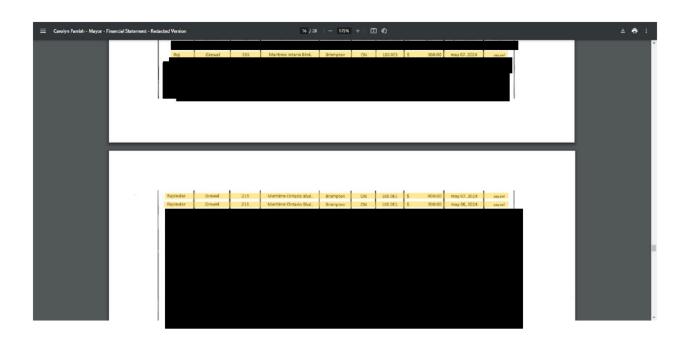
Hello Mayor Parrish,

The Elections Office is currently verifying Rebate Request Forms from the 2024 By-election. You have submitted forms requesting a rebate for the following person(s):

Name	Contribution	Contribution Date	Address
	Amount		

Raj Grewal	\$900.00	May 7, 2024	
Rajvinder Grewal	\$900.00	May 7, 2024	
Rajvinder Grewal	\$300.00	May 8, 2024	

This aligns with your financial statement as seen below:



Can you please let us know if Raj Grewal and Rajvinder Grewal are the same person?

Thanks,

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Over-Contributor

Amount

Contribution

Reason

Notes

Rajvinder Grewal under Rajvinder's name via email (attached). to his spouse, Shika Kasal.

\$900.00 Second \$900 payment (May 7th, 2024) This was resolved with the clerk on December 11th, 2025, should be attributed

City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 10, 2025

To: Chair and Members of the Election Campaign Finances Committee

From: Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Originator's files:

Meeting date: April 11, 2025

Subject

City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election - Hussein Al-Dhalaan

Recommendation

That the Election Campaign Finances Committee be requested to:

- a. Review the Corporate Report dated March 10, 2025, from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk, entitled "City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election - Hussein Al-Dhalaan" and provide direction on whether the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against Hussein Al-Dhalaan in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, as amended; and
- b. Provide brief written reasons regarding the committee's decision in accordance with section 88.34 (11) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended; and
- c. Transfer required funds from the Election Reserve, 30135, to the Election Cost Centre, 22450, if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against Hussein Al-Dhalaan.

Executive Summary

- Under section 88.34 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, as amended (MEA), the Clerk
 of a municipality is required to review the Financial Statement Auditor's Report
 Candidate Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates to identify
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- The Clerk is required to report the apparent contraventions to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC).
- This report provides findings related to an apparent contravention identified by the City Clerk.

Background

The MEA directs municipal Clerks to review the financial statements submitted by candidates following an election to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded the contribution limits. Section 88.9 (1) of the MEA states:

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Section 88.9 (4) of the MEA states:

A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office on the same council or local board.

The Clerk does not have discretion over what is reported to ECFC. Any single contribution over \$1,200 and combined contributions over \$5,000 must be reported in accordance with the MEA.

Comments

Clerk's Responsibilities

Section 88.34 (1) to (7) of the MEA details the Clerk's responsibilities in relation to the review of contributions to candidates running for municipal council and local boards which are as follows:

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- (2) As soon as possible following the day that is 30 days after the filing date or supplementary filing date, as the case may be, under section 88.30, the clerk shall prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a council who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9 and,
 - a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
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- (3) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (2) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
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- (7) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (5) to the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office and, within 10 days after receiving the report, the secretary of the local board shall forward it to the compliance audit committee.

Findings

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Hussein Al-Dhalaan. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Mayoral Candidate, Carolyn Parrish, who Hussein Al-Dhalaan appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, the financial statement containing the information related to the above has been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

The Clerk has attempted to contact the contributor and candidate regarding the apparent contravention noted above using the information provided by candidates.

Committee Responsibilities

The ECFC must make a decision in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA which states:

Within 30 days after receiving a report under subsection (4) or (7), the compliance audit committee shall consider it and decide whether to commence a legal proceeding against a contributor for an apparent contravention.

Under sections 88.34 (11) the ECFC is required to provide "brief written reasons for the decision" which are to be provided to the Clerk and the contributor.

Financial Impact

The financial impact of commencing a legal proceeding against a contributor who appears to have contravened the contribution rules in the MEA is unknown. It is recommended that if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above, the funds required be transferred from the Election Reserve, 30135, into the Election Cost Centre, 22450 to cover the cost.

Conclusion

Within 30 days of receiving this report, the ECFC must make a decision under section 88.34 (8) of the MEA regarding whether or not the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above and in Appendix 1 of this report.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Apparent Contravention Report – Hussein Al-Dhalaan

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Prepared by: Laura Wilson, Manager, Elections and Vital Statistics

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Hussein Al-Dhalaan

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Details related to the apparent contravention

In accordance with section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended (MEA) the Clerk for the City of Mississauga has conducted a review of all contributions reported on the Financial Statement – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga Municipal By-election.

Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by **Hussein Al-Dhalaan**. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making two total contributions to one candidate in the amounts set out below:

Name of contributor	Address provided on financial statement	Date of apparent contribution based on the financial statement	Amount of apparent contribution based on the financial statement
Hussein Al- Dhalaan	Yes - address was provided; see financial statement for details	April 3, 2024	\$515.24
Hussein Al- Dhalaan	Yes – address was provided; see financial statement for details	May 18, 2024	\$700
		Total	\$1,215.24

The contributions appear to have been made to Carolyn Parrish, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

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Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

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Recommendation

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- a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
- b. if the contributor's total contributions to two or more candidates for office on the same local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to all candidates for office on the same local board.
- (6) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (5) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (7) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (5) to the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office and, within 10 days after receiving the report, the secretary of the local board shall forward it to the compliance audit committee.

Findings

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Emilio Bisceglia. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Mayoral Candidate, Carolyn Parrish, who Emilio Bisceglia appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, the financial statement containing the information related to the above has been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

The Clerk has attempted to contact the contributor and candidate regarding the apparent contravention noted above using the information provided by candidates.

Committee Responsibilities

The ECFC must make a decision in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA which states:

Within 30 days after receiving a report under subsection (4) or (7), the compliance audit committee shall consider it and decide whether to commence a legal proceeding against a contributor for an apparent contravention.

Under sections 88.34 (11) the ECFC is required to provide "brief written reasons for the decision" which are to be provided to the Clerk and the contributor.

Financial Impact

The financial impact of commencing a legal proceeding against a contributor who appears to have contravened the contribution rules in the MEA is unknown. It is recommended that if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above, the funds required be transferred from the Election Reserve, 30135, into the Election Cost Centre, 22450 to cover the cost.

Conclusion

Within 30 days of receiving this report, the ECFC must make a decision under section 88.34 (8) of the MEA regarding whether or not the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above and in Appendix 1 of this report.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Apparent Contravention Report – Emilio Bisceglia

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Prepared by: Laura Wilson, Manager, Elections and Vital Statistics

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Emilio Bisceglia

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Details related to the apparent contravention

In accordance with section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended (MEA), the Clerk for the City of Mississauga has conducted a review of all contributions reported on the Financial Statement – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga Municipal By-election.

Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by <u>Emilio Bisceglia</u>. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making one total contribution in the amount of <u>\$1,236.15</u> to Carolyn Parrish, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

The financial statement containing the information above has been provided to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC) for their review. The public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or 905-615-3389. In accordance with the MEA, financial statements will be available for viewing until the next term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

In accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA, the ECFC must make a decision within 30 days after receiving this report regarding whether to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor for the apparent contravention. In accordance with section 88.34 (11), the ECFC is required to provide brief written reasons for their decision.

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 10, 2025

To: Chair and Members of Election Campaign Finances
Committee

From: Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City
Clerk

Originator's files:

Meeting date:
April 11, 2025

Subject

City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Claudia Cortellucci

Recommendation

That the Election Campaign Finances Committee be requested to:

- a. Review the Corporate Report dated March 10, 2025 from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk, entitled "City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Claudia Cortellucci" and provide direction on whether the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against Claudia Cortellucci in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, as amended; and
- b. Provide brief written reasons regarding the committee's decision in accordance with section 88.34 (11) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996, as amended; and
- c. Transfer required funds from the Election Reserve, 30135, to the Election Cost Centre, 22450, if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against Claudia Cortellucci.

Executive Summary

- Under section 88.34 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, as amended (MEA), the Clerk
 of a municipality is required to review the Financial Statement Auditor's Report
 Candidate Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates to identify
 contributors that appear to have contravened the contribution limits in the MEA.
- The Clerk is required to report the apparent contraventions to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC).
- This report provides findings related to an apparent contravention identified by the City Clerk.

The MEA directs municipal Clerks to review the financial statements submitted by candidates following an election to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded the contribution limits. Section 88.9 (1) of the MEA states:

A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$1,200 to any one candidate in an election.

Section 88.9 (4) of the MEA states:

A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office on the same council or local board.

The Clerk does not have discretion over what is reported to ECFC. Any single contribution over \$1,200 and combined contributions over \$5,000 must be reported in accordance with the MEA.

Comments

Clerk's Responsibilities

Section 88.34 (1) to (7) of the MEA details the Clerk's responsibilities in relation to the review of contributions to candidates running for municipal council and local boards which are as follows:

- (1) The clerk shall review the contributions reported on the financial statements submitted by a candidate under section 88.25 to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (2) As soon as possible following the day that is 30 days after the filing date or supplementary filing date, as the case may be, under section 88.30, the clerk shall prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a council who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9 and,
 - a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
 - b. if the contributor's total contributions to two or more candidates for office on the same council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to all candidates for office on the same council.
- (3) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (2) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (4) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (2) to the compliance audit committee.
- (5) As soon as possible following the day that is 30 days after the filing date or supplementary filing date, as the case may be, under section 88.30, the clerk shall

prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a local board who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9 and.

- a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
- b. if the contributor's total contributions to two or more candidates for office on the same local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to all candidates for office on the same local board.
- (6) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (5) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (7) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (5) to the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office and, within 10 days after receiving the report, the secretary of the local board shall forward it to the compliance audit committee.

<u>Findings</u>

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Claudia Cortellucci. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Mayoral Candidate, Carolyn Parrish, who Claudia Cortellucci appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, financial statements containing the information related to the above have been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

The Clerk has attempted to contact the contributor and candidate regarding the apparent contravention noted above using the information provided by candidates.

Committee Responsibilities

The ECFC must make a decision in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA which states:

Within 30 days after receiving a report under subsection (4) or (7), the compliance audit committee shall consider it and decide whether to commence a legal proceeding against a contributor for an apparent contravention.

Under sections 88.34 (11) the ECFC is required to provide "brief written reasons for the decision" which are to be provided to the Clerk and the contributor.

The financial impact of commencing a legal proceeding against a contributor who appears to have contravened the contribution rules in the MEA is unknown. It is recommended that if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above, the funds required be transferred from the Election Reserve, 30135, into the Election Cost Centre, 22450 to cover the cost.

Conclusion

Within 30 days of receiving this report, the ECFC must make a decision under section 88.34 (8) of the MEA regarding whether or not the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above and in Appendix 1 of this report.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Apparent Contravention Report – Claudia Cortellucci

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Claudia Cortellucci

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Details related to the apparent contravention

In accordance with section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended (MEA), the Clerk for the City of Mississauga has conducted a review of all contributions reported on the Financial Statement – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga Municipal By-election.

Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by <u>Claudia Cortellucci</u>. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making one total contribution in the amount of <u>\$1,200.05</u> to Carolyn Parrish, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

The financial statement containing the information above has been provided to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC) for their review. The public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or 905-615-3389. In accordance with the MEA, financial statements will be available for viewing until the next term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

In accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA, the ECFC must make a decision within 30 days after receiving this report regarding whether to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor for the apparent contravention. In accordance with section 88.34 (11), the ECFC is required to provide brief written reasons for their decision.

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

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City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 10, 2025

To: Chair and Members of Election Campaign Finances
Committee

From: Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City
Clerk

Originator's files:

Meeting date:
April 11, 2025

Subject

City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Jill Di Blasio

Recommendation

That the Election Campaign Finances Committee be requested to:

- a. Review the Corporate Report dated March 10, 2025, from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk, entitled "City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election Jill Di Blasio" and provide direction on whether the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against Jill Di Blasio in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the *Municipal Elections Act.* 1996. as amended: and
- b. Provide brief written reasons regarding the committee's decision in accordance with section 88.34 (11) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended; and
- c. Transfer required funds from the Election Reserve, 30135, to the Election Cost Centre, 22450, if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against Jill Di Blasio.

Executive Summary

- Under section 88.34 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, as amended (MEA), the Clerk
 of a municipality is required to review the Financial Statement Auditor's Report
 Candidate Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates to identify
 contributors that appear to have contravened the contribution limits in the MEA.
- The Clerk is required to report the apparent contraventions to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC).
- This report provides findings related to an apparent contravention identified by the City Clerk.

The MEA directs municipal Clerks to review the financial statements submitted by candidates following an election to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded the contribution limits. Section 88.9 (1) of the MEA states:

A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$1,200 to any one candidate in an election.

Section 88.9 (4) of the MEA states:

A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office on the same council or local board.

The Clerk does not have discretion over what is reported to ECFC. Any single contribution over \$1,200 and combined contributions over \$5,000 must be reported in accordance with the MEA.

Comments

Clerk's Responsibilities

Section 88.34 (1) – (7) of the MEA details the Clerk's responsibilities in relation to the review of contributions to candidates running for municipal council and local boards which are as follows:

- (1) The clerk shall review the contributions reported on the financial statements submitted by a candidate under section 88.25 to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (2) As soon as possible following the day that is 30 days after the filing date or supplementary filing date, as the case may be, under section 88.30, the clerk shall prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a council who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9 and,
 - a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
 - b. if the contributor's total contributions to two or more candidates for office on the same council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to all candidates for office on the same council.
- (3) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (2) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (4) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (2) to the compliance audit committee.
- (5) As soon as possible following the day that is 30 days after the filing date or supplementary filing date, as the case may be, under section 88.30, the clerk shall

prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a local board who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9 and,

- a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
- b. if the contributor's total contributions to two or more candidates for office on the same local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to all candidates for office on the same local board.
- (6) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (5) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (7) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (5) to the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office and, within 10 days after receiving the report, the secretary of the local board shall forward it to the compliance audit committee.

Findings

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Jill Di Blasio. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Mayoral Candidate, Carolyn Parrish, who Jill Di Blasio appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, financial statements containing the information related to the above have been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

The Clerk has attempted to contact the contributor and candidate regarding the apparent contravention noted above using the information provided by candidates.

Committee Responsibilities

The ECFC must make a decision in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA which states:

Within 30 days after receiving a report under subsection (4) or (7), the compliance audit committee shall consider it and decide whether to commence a legal proceeding against a contributor for an apparent contravention.

Under sections 88.34 (11) the ECFC is required to provide "brief written reasons for the decision" which are to be provided to the Clerk and the contributor.

The financial impact of commencing a legal proceeding against a contributor who appears to have contravened the contribution rules in the MEA is unknown. It is recommended that if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above, the funds required be transferred from the Election Reserve, 30135, into the Election Cost Centre, 22450 to cover the cost.

Conclusion

Within 30 days of receiving this report, the ECFC must make a decision under section 88.34 (8) of the MEA regarding whether or not the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above and in Appendix 1 of this report.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Apparent Contravention Report – Jill Di Blasio

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Jill Di Blasio

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Details related to the apparent contravention

In accordance with section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended (MEA), the Clerk for the City of Mississauga has conducted a review of all contributions reported on the Financial Statement – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga Municipal By-election.

Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by <u>Jill Di Blasio</u>. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making one total contribution in the amount of <u>\$1,250.00</u> to Carolyn Parrish, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

The financial statement containing the information above has been provided to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC) for their review. The public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or 905-615-3389. In accordance with the MEA, financial statements will be available for viewing until the next term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

In accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA, the ECFC must make a decision within 30 days after receiving this report regarding whether to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor for the apparent contravention. In accordance with section 88.34 (11), the ECFC is required to provide brief written reasons for their decision.

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 10, 2025

To: Chair and Members of Election Campaign Finances
Committee

From: Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City
Clerk

Originator's files:

Meeting date:
April 11, 2025

Subject

City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Selo Di Blasio

Recommendation

That the Election Campaign Finance Committee be requested to:

- a. Review the Corporate Report dated March 10, 2025, from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk, entitled "City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election Selo Di Blasio" and provide direction on whether the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against Selo Di Blasio in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the *Municipal Elections Act.* 1996. as amended: and
- b. Provide brief written reasons regarding the committee's decision in accordance with section 88.34 (11) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended; and
- c. Transfer required funds from the Election Reserve, 30135, to the Election Cost Centre, 22450, if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against Selo Di Blasio.

Executive Summary

- Under section 88.34 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, as amended (MEA), the Clerk
 of a municipality is required to review the Financial Statement Auditor's Report
 Candidate Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates to identify
 contributors that appear to have contravened the contribution limits in the MEA.
- The Clerk is required to report the apparent contraventions to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC).
- This report provides findings related to an apparent contravention identified by the City Clerk.

The MEA directs municipal Clerks to review the financial statements submitted by candidates following an election to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded the contribution limits. Section 88.9 (1) of the MEA states:

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Section 88.9 (4) of the MEA states:

A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office on the same council or local board.

The Clerk does not have discretion over what is reported to ECFC. Any single contribution over \$1,200 and combined contributions over \$5,000 must be reported in accordance with the MEA.

Comments

Clerk's Responsibilities

Section 88.34 (1) – (7) of the MEA details the Clerk's responsibilities in relation to the review of contributions to candidates running for municipal council and local boards which are as follows:

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 - a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
 - b. if the contributor's total contributions to two or more candidates for office on the same council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to all candidates for office on the same council.
- (3) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (2) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section
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prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a local board who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9 and.

- a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
- b. if the contributor's total contributions to two or more candidates for office on the same local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to all candidates for office on the same local board.
- (6) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (5) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (7) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (5) to the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office and, within 10 days after receiving the report, the secretary of the local board shall forward it to the compliance audit committee.

Findings

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Selo Di Blasio. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Mayoral Candidate, Carolyn Parrish, who Selo Di Blasio appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, financial statements containing the information related to the above have been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

The Clerk has attempted to contact the contributor and candidate regarding the apparent contravention noted above using the information provided by candidates.

Committee Responsibilities

The ECFC must make a decision in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA which states:

Within 30 days after receiving a report under subsection (4) or (7), the compliance audit committee shall consider it and decide whether to commence a legal proceeding against a contributor for an apparent contravention.

Under sections 88.34 (11) the ECFC is required to provide "brief written reasons for the decision" which are to be provided to the Clerk and the contributor.

The financial impact of commencing a legal proceeding against a contributor who appears to have contravened the contribution rules in the MEA is unknown. It is recommended that if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above, the funds required be transferred from the Election Reserve, 30135, into the Election Cost Centre, 22450 to cover the cost.

Conclusion

Within 30 days of receiving this report, the ECFC must make a decision under section 88.34 (8) of the MEA regarding whether or not the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above and in Appendix 1 of this report.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Apparent Contravention Report – Selo Di Blasio

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Selo Di Blasio

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Details related to the apparent contravention

In accordance with section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended (MEA), the Clerk for the City of Mississauga has conducted a review of all contributions reported on the Financial Statement – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga Municipal By-election.

Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by <u>Selo Di Blasio</u>. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making one total contribution in the amount of <u>\$1,250.00</u> to Carolyn Parrish, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

The financial statement containing the information above has been provided to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC) for their review. The public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or 905-615-3389. In accordance with the MEA, financial statements will be available for viewing until the next term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

In accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA, the ECFC must make a decision within 30 days after receiving this report regarding whether to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor for the apparent contravention. In accordance with section 88.34 (11), the ECFC is required to provide brief written reasons for their decision.

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 10, 2025

To: Chair and Members of Election Campaign Finances
Committee

From: Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City
Clerk

Originator's files:

Meeting date:
April 11, 2025

Subject

City Clerk's Report on Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Dario Favot

Recommendation

That the Election Campaign Finances Committee be requested to:

- a. Review the Corporate Report dated March 10, 2025, from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk, entitled "City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Dario Favot" and provide direction on whether the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against Dario Favot in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996, as amended; and
- b. Provide brief written reasons regarding the committee's decision in accordance with section 88.34 (11) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended; and
- c. Transfer required funds from the Election Reserve, 30135, to the Election Cost Centre, 22450, if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against Dario Favot.

Executive Summary

- Under section 88.34 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, as amended (MEA), the Clerk
 of a municipality is required to review the Financial Statement Auditor's Report
 Candidate Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates to identify
 contributors that appear to have contravened the contribution limits in the MEA.
- The Clerk is required to report the apparent contraventions to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC).
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A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office on the same council or local board.

The Clerk does not have discretion over what is reported to ECFC. Any single contribution over \$1,200 and combined contributions over \$5,000 must be reported in accordance with the MEA.

Comments

Clerk's Responsibilities

Section 88.34 (1) to (7) of the MEA details the Clerk's responsibilities in relation to the review of contributions to candidates running for municipal council and local boards which are as follows:

- (1) The clerk shall review the contributions reported on the financial statements submitted by a candidate under section 88.25 to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (2) As soon as possible following the day that is 30 days after the filing date or supplementary filing date, as the case may be, under section 88.30, the clerk shall prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a council who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9 and,
 - a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
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- (3) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (2) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
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- (7) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (5) to the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office and, within 10 days after receiving the report, the secretary of the local board shall forward it to the compliance audit committee.

Findings

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Dario Favot. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Mayoral Candidate, Carolyn Parrish, who Dario Favot appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, financial statements containing the information related to the above have been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

The Clerk has attempted to contact the contributor and candidate regarding the apparent contravention noted above using the information provided by candidates.

Committee Responsibilities

The ECFC must make a decision in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA which states:

Within 30 days after receiving a report under subsection (4) or (7), the compliance audit committee shall consider it and decide whether to commence a legal proceeding against a contributor for an apparent contravention.

Under sections 88.34 (11) the ECFC is required to provide "brief written reasons for the decision" which are to be provided to the Clerk and the contributor.

The financial impact of commencing a legal proceeding against a contributor who appears to have contravened the contribution rules in the MEA is unknown. It is recommended that if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above, the funds required be transferred from the Election Reserve, 30135, into the Election Cost Centre, 22450 to cover the cost.

Conclusion

Within 30 days of receiving this report, the ECFC must make a decision under section 88.34 (8) of the MEA regarding whether or not the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above and in Appendix 1 of this report.

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Appendix: Appendix 1: Apparent Contravention Report – Dario Favot

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Dario Favot

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Details related to the apparent contravention

In accordance with section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended (MEA) the Clerk for the City of Mississauga has conducted a review of all contributions reported on the Financial Statement – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga Municipal By-election.

Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by **Dario Favot**. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making two total contributions in the amounts set out below:

Name of contributor	Address provided on financial statement	Date of apparent contribution based on the financial statement	Amount of apparent contribution based on the financial statement
Dario Favot	No - address is unknown	March 12, 2024	\$1,200
Dario Favot	Yes – address was provided; see financial statement for details	May 5, 2024	\$1,000
		Total	\$2,200

The contributions appear to have been made to Carolyn Parrish, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

The financial statement containing the information above has been provided to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC) for review. The public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or 905-615-3389. In accordance with the MEA, financial statements will be available for viewing until the next term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

In accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA, the ECFC must make a decision within 30 days after receiving this report regarding whether to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor for the apparent contravention. In accordance with section 88.34 (11), the ECFC is required to provide brief written reasons for their decision.

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 10, 2025

To: Chair and Members of Election Campaign Finances
Committee

From: Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City
Clerk

Originator's files:

Meeting date:
April 11, 2025

Subject

City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Thadsaneswary Gunarajan

Recommendation

That the Election Campaign Finances Committee be requested to:

- a. Review the Corporate Report dated March 10, 2025, from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk, entitled "City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election Thadsaneswary Gunarajan" and provide direction on whether the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against Thadsaneswary Gunarajan in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996, as amended; and
- b. Provide brief written reasons regarding the committee's decision in accordance with section 88.34 (11) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended; and
- Transfer required funds from the Election Reserve, 30135, to the Election Cost Centre, 22450, if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against Thadsaneswary Gunarajan.

Executive Summary

- Under section 88.34 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, as amended (MEA), the Clerk
 of a municipality is required to review the Financial Statement Auditor's Report
 Candidate Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates to identify
 contributors that appear to have contravened the contribution limits in the MEA.
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- This report provides findings related to an apparent contravention identified by the City Clerk.

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A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office on the same council or local board.

The Clerk does not have discretion over what is reported to ECFC. Any single contribution over \$1,200 a combined contributions over \$5,000 must be reported in accordance with the MEA.

Comments

Clerk's Responsibilities

Section 88.34 (1) to (7) of the MEA details the Clerk's responsibilities in relation to the review of contributions to candidates running for municipal council and local boards which are as follows:

- (1) The clerk shall review the contributions reported on the financial statements submitted by a candidate under section 88.25 to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
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- (7) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (5) to the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office and, within 10 days after receiving the report, the secretary of the local board shall forward it to the compliance audit committee.

Findings

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Thadsaneswary Gunarajan. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Mayoral Candidate, Carolyn Parrish, who Thadsaneswary Gunarajan appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, financial statements containing the information related to the above have been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

The Clerk has attempted to contact the contributor and candidate regarding the apparent contravention noted above using the information provided by candidates.

Committee Responsibilities

The ECFC must make a decision in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA which states:

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The financial impact of commencing a legal proceeding against a contributor who appears to have contravened the contribution rules in the MEA is unknown. It is recommended that if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above, the funds required be transferred from the Election Reserve, 30135, into the Election Cost Centre, 22450 to cover the cost.

Conclusion

Within 30 days of receiving this report, the ECFC must make a decision under section 88.34 (8) of the MEA regarding whether or not the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above and in Appendix 1 of this report.

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Appendix 1: Apparent Contravention Report – Thadsaneswary Gunarajan

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Thadsaneswary Gunarajan

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Details related to the apparent contravention

In accordance with section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended (MEA), the Clerk for the City of Mississauga has conducted a review of all contributions reported on the Financial Statement – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga Municipal By-election.

Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by <u>Thadsaneswary Gunarajan</u>. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making one total contribution in the amount of <u>\$1,200.05</u> to Carolyn Parrish, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

The financial statement containing the information above has been provided to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC) for their review. The public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or 905-615-3389. In accordance with the MEA, financial statements will be available for viewing until the next term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

In accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA, the ECFC must make a decision within 30 days after receiving this report regarding whether to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor for the apparent contravention. In accordance with section 88.34 (11), the ECFC is required to provide brief written reasons for their decision.

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

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City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 10, 2025

To: Chair and Members of Election Campaign Finances
Committee

From: Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City
Clerk

Originator's files:

Meeting date:
April 11, 2025

Subject

City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Soufy Saad

Recommendation

That the Election Campaign Finances Committee be requested to:

- a. Review the Corporate Report dated March 10, 2025, from Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk, entitled "City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election Soufy Saad" and provide direction on whether the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against Soufy Saad in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the *Municipal Elections Act.* 1996. as amended: and
- b. Provide brief written reasons regarding the committee's decision in accordance with section 88.34 (11) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended; and
- c. Transfer required funds from the Election Reserve, 30135, to the Election Cost Centre, 22450, if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against Soufy Saad.

Executive Summary

- Under section 88.34 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, as amended (MEA), the Clerk
 of a municipality is required to review the Financial Statement Auditor's Report
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The Clerk does not have discretion over what is reported to ECFC. Any single contribution over \$1,200 and combined contributions over \$5,000 must be reported.

Comments

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- (7) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (5) to the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office and, within 10 days after receiving the report, the secretary of the local board shall forward it to the compliance audit committee.

Findings

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Soufy Saad. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Mayoral Candidate, Alvin Tedjo, who Soufy Saad appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, financial statements containing the information related to the above have been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

The Clerk has attempted to contact the contributor and candidate regarding the apparent contravention noted above using the information provided by candidates.

Committee Responsibilities

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Conclusion

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Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Soufy Saad

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Details related to the apparent contravention

In accordance with section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended (MEA) the Clerk for the City of Mississauga has conducted a review of all contributions reported on the Financial Statements – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4 (financial statements) submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga Municipal By-election.

Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by **Soufy Saad**. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making two total contributions in the amounts set out below:

Name of contributor	Address provided on financial statement	Date of apparent contribution based on the financial statement	Amount of apparent contribution based on the financial statement
Soufy Saad	Yes – address was provided; see financial statement for details	May 21, 2024	\$1,200
Soufy Saad	Yes – address was provided; see financial statement for details	May 30, 2024	\$1,200
		Total	\$2,400

The contributions appear to have been made to Alvin Tedjo, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

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Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 10, 2025

To: Chair and Members of Election Campaign Finances
Committee

From: Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City
Clerk

Originator's files:

Meeting date:
April 11, 2025

Subject

City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Donna Williams

Recommendation

That the Election Campaign Finances Committee be requested to:

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Findings

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Donna Williams. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Ward 5 Councillor Candidate, Shelly Scott-England, who Donna Williams appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, financial statements containing the information related to the above have been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

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Committee Responsibilities

The ECFC must make a decision in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA which states:

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The financial impact of commencing a legal proceeding against a contributor who appears to have contravened the contribution rules in the MEA is unknown. It is recommended that if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above, the funds required be transferred from the Election Reserve, 30135, into the Election Cost Centre, 22450 to cover the cost.

Conclusion

Within 30 days of receiving this report, the ECFC must make a decision under section 88.34 (8) of the MEA regarding whether or not the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above and in Appendix 1 of this report.

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Appendix 1: Apparent Contravention Report – Donna Williams

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Donna Williams

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Details related to the apparent contravention

In accordance with section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended (MEA), the Clerk for the City of Mississauga has conducted a review of all contributions reported on the Financial Statements – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4 (financial statements) submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga Municipal By-election.

Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by <u>Donna Williams</u>. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making one total contribution in the amount of <u>\$1,500</u> to Shelly Scott-England, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

The financial statement containing the information above has been provided to the Election Campaign Finances Committee for their review. The public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or 905-615-3389. In accordance with the MEA, financial statements will be available for viewing until the next term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

In accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA, the ECFC must make a decision within 30 days after receiving this report regarding whether to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor for the apparent contravention. In accordance with section 88.34 (11), the ECFC is required to provide brief written reasons for their decision.

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 10, 2025

To: Chair and Members of Election Campaign Finances
Committee

From: Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City
Clerk

Originator's files:

Meeting date:
April 11, 2025

Subject

City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Rajvinder/Raj Grewal

Recommendation

That the Election Campaign Finances Committee be requested to:

- a. Review the Corporate Report dated March 10, 2025, from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk, entitled "City Clerk's Report on an Apparent Contribution Contravention following the 2024 City of Mississauga By-election – Rajvinder/Raj Grewal" and provide direction on whether the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against Rajvinder/Raj Grewal in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996, as amended; and
- b. Provide brief written reasons regarding the committee's decision in accordance with section 88.34 (11) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended; and
- c. Transfer required funds from the Election Reserve, 30135, to the Election Cost Centre, 22450, if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against Rajvinder/Raj Grewal.

Executive Summary

- Under section 88.34 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended (MEA), the Clerk of a municipality is required to review the Financial Statement Auditor's Report Candidate Form 4s (financial statement) submitted by candidates to identify contributors that appear to have contravened the contribution limits in the MEA.
- The Clerk is required to report the apparent contraventions to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC).
- This report provides findings related to an apparent contravention identified by the City Clerk.

The MEA directs municipal Clerks to review the financial statements submitted by candidates following an election to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded the contribution limits. Section 88.9 (1) of the MEA states:

A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$1,200 to any one candidate in an election.

Section 88.9 (4) of the MEA states:

A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office on the same council or local board.

The Clerk does not have discretion over what is reported to ECFC. Any single contribution over \$1,200 and combined contributions over \$5,000 must be reported in accordance with the MEA.

Comments

Clerk's Responsibilities

Section 88.34 (1) to (7) of the MEA details the Clerk's responsibilities in relation to the review of contributions to candidates running for municipal council and local boards which are as follows:

- (1) The clerk shall review the contributions reported on the financial statements submitted by a candidate under section 88.25 to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (2) As soon as possible following the day that is 30 days after the filing date or supplementary filing date, as the case may be, under section 88.30, the clerk shall prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a council who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9 and,
 - a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
 - b. if the contributor's total contributions to two or more candidates for office on the same council appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to all candidates for office on the same council.
- (3) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (2) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (4) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (2) to the compliance audit committee.
- (5) As soon as possible following the day that is 30 days after the filing date or supplementary filing date, as the case may be, under section 88.30, the clerk shall

prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a local board who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9 and,

- a. if the contributor's total contributions to a candidate for office on a local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to the candidate; and
- b. if the contributor's total contributions to two or more candidates for office on the same local board appear to exceed the limit under section 88.9, the report shall set out the contributions made by that contributor to all candidates for office on the same local board.
- (6) The clerk shall prepare a separate report under subsection (5) in respect of each contributor who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under section 88.9.
- (7) The clerk shall forward each report prepared under subsection (5) to the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office and, within 10 days after receiving the report, the secretary of the local board shall forward it to the compliance audit committee.

Findings

The Clerk has completed the review of financial statements submitted by candidates following the 2024 City of Mississauga by-election. This report provides information related to an apparent contribution contravention made by Rajvinder/Raj Grewal. Appendix 1 of this report provides details related to the findings. The information is also included in the financial statement of Mayoral Candidate, Carolyn Parrish, who Rajvinder/Raj Grewal appears to have contributed to.

For the purposes of protecting privacy, financial statements containing the information related to the above have been provided to the ECFC only. Upon request, the public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or by calling 905-615-3389. In accordance with section 88 (4) of the MEA, financial statements will be kept for viewing until the new term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

The Clerk has attempted to contact the contributor and candidate regarding the apparent contravention noted above using the information provided by candidates.

Committee Responsibilities

The ECFC must make a decision in accordance with section 88.34 (8) of the MEA which states:

Within 30 days after receiving a report under subsection (4) or (7), the compliance audit committee shall consider it and decide whether to commence a legal proceeding against a contributor for an apparent contravention.

Under sections 88.34 (11) the ECFC is required to provide "brief written reasons for the decision" which are to be provided to the Clerk and the contributor.

The financial impact of commencing a legal proceeding against a contributor who appears to have contravened the contribution rules in the MEA is unknown. It is recommended that if the committee decides to commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above, the funds required be transferred from the Election Reserve, 30135, into the Election Cost Centre, 22450 to cover the cost.

Conclusion

Within 30 days of receiving this report, the ECFC must make a decision under section 88.34 (8) of the MEA regarding whether or not the City of Mississauga should commence a legal proceeding against the contributor named above and in Appendix 1 of this report.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Apparent Contravention Report – Rajvinder/Raj Grewal

Diana Rusnov, Director, Legislative Services and City Clerk

Subject: Apparent Contravention Report - Rajvinder/Raj Grewal

Date: March 10, 2025

To: The City of Mississauga's Election Campaign Finance Committee From: Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

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Through this review, the Clerk has identified an apparent contribution contravention made by Rajvinder/Raj Grewal. The individual appears to have contravened section 88.9 (1) of the MEA by making three total contributions in the amounts set out below:

Name of contributor	Address provided on financial statement	Date of apparent contribution based on the financial statement	Amount of apparent contribution based on the financial statement
Raj Grewal	Yes – see financial statement for details.	May 7, 2024	\$900
Rajvinder Grewal	Yes – see financial statement for details.	May 7, 2024	\$900
Rajvinder Grewal	Yes - see financial statement for details.	May 8, 2024	\$300
		Total	\$2,100

The contributions appear to have been made to Carolyn Parrish, mayoral candidate in the City of Mississauga's 2024 By-election. This apparent contravention was identified on the candidate's financial statement.

The financial statement containing the information above has been provided to the Election Campaign Finances Committee (ECFC) for review. The public can view the financial statements by contacting the Mississauga Elections Office at Election.Office@mississauga.ca or 905-615-3389. In accordance with the MEA, financial statements will be available for viewing until the next term of office begins on November 16, 2026.

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