

May 14, 2013

RE: Endorsing Convention: May 22, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Dear Maplewood City DFL Delegate:

We have an **endorsing convention** set for **May 22, 2013** to endorse candidates for Maplewood Mayor and two seats on the City Council.

This letter is from two of your fellow delegates, **Margaret Ann Behrens** (currently our elected Ramsey County Soil and Water Supervisor) and **Diana Longrie** (former Mayor of Maplewood). Together, we stand behind our **DFL** principles of inclusively, transparency, and diversity.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the official **Maplewood Candidate Schedule**. The **filing period** is May 21, 2013 through June 4, 2013. Why are we holding an endorsing convention when the filing period for candidates has not yet closed?

It is no secret that **Margaret Ann Behrens** is running for **City Council** and seeks your endorsement. Likewise, it is no secret that **Diana Longrie** is running for **Mayor** and seeks your endorsement.

However, this convention is premature.
Further, the process is **designed to exclude others**.

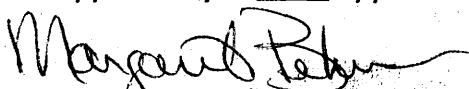
WHAT IS THE INTEGRITY OF ENDORSEMENT IF OTHERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE?

Enclosed you will find copies of Margaret's **emails** as she attempts to obtain **delegate contact information**. The Maplewood City DFL chair states the list provided to Margaret is the same as that given to other candidates (we enclose a sampling of the list, pages 1 & 3 only).


Note: there are no telephone numbers or emails. Yet, one candidate seeking your endorsement, for city council, is making telephone calls – calls to unlisted (to the best of our knowledge) phone numbers which the DFL party collected at the 2012 city endorsing convention or at the caucus. Further, this hand-picked candidate is not a DFL delegate. She was asked to run at the request of DFL delegate, Nora Slawik, who is running for Mayor of Maplewood.

Lastly, we are alarmed by the **rush to push** through the **endorsement** of the **Insiders' "Dream Team"** at the expense of any and all candidates in our community that may wish to seek DFL endorsement. Our chair confirms, "The official call is the only announcement we will make." **That's not right!** That's not consistent with DFL values.

We ask you to join us! **Level the Playing Field**. Demand the endorsing convention be held after **June 4, 2013**, the last date to file – so that **ALL** who seek DFL endorsement can have an opportunity. Their opportunity is in your hands.


Margaret Ann Behrens
612-390-9649

Thank You!


Diana Longrie
651-214-0859



2013 Primary Municipal Election Candidate Schedule

- 05.21.13 First day to file affidavits of candidacy opens at 8:00 a.m.
- 06.04.13 Last day to file affidavits of candidacy closes at 5:00 p.m.
- 06.06.13 Candidates may file affidavits of withdrawal until 5:00 p.m.
- 06.28.13 First day for posting campaign signs (211B.045)
- 06.28.13 Begin absentee voting
- 07.23.13 Voter pre-registration closes at 5:00 p.m.
- 08.02.13 Pre-Primary Election campaign financial reports are due *Candidates are required to file numerous campaign financial reports throughout and after the election cycle. It is the responsibility of the candidate to know the schedule and to submit forms as required by law.*
- 08.10.13 City hall open extended hours for absentee voting: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- 08.12.13 City hall open extended hours for absentee voting: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- 08.13.13 Primary Election – polls open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- 08.16.13 Canvass of Municipal Election results – Time to be announced.

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Russell Dedrick" <rdedrick@visi.com>
To: hrhmbwise8@comcast.net
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2013 9:20:47 AM
Subject: Re: Maplewood Convention Delegates

Ms. Behrens,

That's the only list we have. That is the only list we have given the other candidates. That is the only information the delegates gave us at the caucuses.

Thank you,

RD

Russell Dedrick
The Amazing Husband Handyman
Flutist Extraordinaire
Main # (Business only): (651)776-1780
Cell #: 651-303-1891
www.amazinghusband.com

On May 13, 2013, at 9:46 AM, hrhmbwise8@comcast.net wrote:

> Dear Mr. Dedrick.
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> Thank you for sending the file in the format that will open. I did notice that the contact information for our
delegates is very limited. I am wondering why there are no phone numbers and email addresses included as this is
the delegate list for us to call from?
> Do you have the list with that information?
> Thank you very much.
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> Margaret Ann Sletten-Behrens
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Russell Dedrick" <rdedrick@visi.com>
> To: hrhmbwise8@comcast.net
> Sent: Monday, May 13, 2013 9:30:08 AM
> Subject: Fwd: Maplewood Convention Delegates
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> Try this.
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From: hrhmbwise8@comcast.net This sender is in your contact list.
Sent: Sun 5/12/13 10:02 PM
To: Russell Dedrick (rdedrick@visi.com)

Dear Mr. Dedrick.

The document attached has no extension so the computer will not open it. Please send it as a Word or Xcel file.

Thanks.

Margaret Ann Sletten-Behrens

----- Original Message -----
From: "Russell Dedrick" <rdedrick@visi.com>
To: hrhmbwise8@comcast.net
Sent: Sunday, May 12, 2013 9:19:42 PM
Subject: Re: DFL Endorsement

Dear Ms. Behrens,

Thank you for your interest in running for Maplewood City Council as a DFL endorsed Candidate.

We are open to anyone who wants to run for the City Council or Mayor as DFL Endorsed Candidate, they just need to contact me. The official call is the only announcement we will make.

Those DFLers who are not delegates are welcome to run for the endorsement.

List of Delegates:

Thank you,

RD

Russell Dedrick
Maplewood City DFL Chair
Main # (Business only): (651)776-1780
Cell #: 651-303-1891
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On May 12, 2013, at 1:58 PM, hrhmbwise8@comcast.net wrote:

Dear Mr. Dedrick.

Good afternoon.

My name is Margaret Behrens and I am a candidate for Maplewood City Council this election cycle.

As a DFL delegate I received your Convention Call yesterday. I am wondering how the other candidates will hear about the endorsement convention who are not DFL delegates?
Where are we advertising this meeting?

I would also like to know how and where I am able to get a copy of our delegate list? Are you able to email it to me so I may be able to contact the other DFL delegates?
Thank you very much for your time and consideration in this matter.

Enjoy your day,

Margaret Ann Sletten-Behrens
1393 Kohlman Avenue East
Maplewood, Minnesota
55109

Maplewood City DFL Endorsing Convention

May 22, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.

Sheet Metal Workers Hall
Maplewood, MN 55109

Sign in here - Signature	Last Name	First Name	Address	City	State	Zip	e-address
	Anderson	Mark	2702 Stillwater Rd E	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Baldwin	Richard	929 Connor Ave E	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Barone	Michael	1695 County Road D E Apt 304	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Behr	Jeanette	680 Dorland Rd S	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Behrens	James	1393 Kohlman Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Behrens	Margaret	1393 Kohlman Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Berentson	Beau	1587 County Road D E Unit J	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Berg	Lori	739 Maple Hills Dr Apt C	Maplewood	MN	55117	
	Berglund	Keven	1771 Burr St	Maplewood	MN	55117	
	Berry	Robert	2906 Mary Ln	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Blasjo	Richard	1135 Century Ave S	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Blasjo	Shirley	1135 Century Ave S	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Bradley	Mark	2164 Woodlyn Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Bradley	Richard	2164 Woodlyn Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Bradley	Wendy	2164 Woodlyn Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Bronn	William	2609 Bittersweet Ln	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Brooker	Charlotte	2172 Woodlyn Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Bryan	Linda	1752 Gulden Pl	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Bryan	Steve	1752 Gulden Pl	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Cardinal	Julianne	1970 Edgerton St	Maplewood	MN	55117	
	Carlson	Elaine	1106 Beaver Creek Pkwy	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Cory	Beverly	483 Sterling St S	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Crosby	Linda	2565 Ivy Ave E Apt 319	Maplewood	MN	55119	

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	Hanson	Jerrold	1783 Howard St N	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Harkins-Crave	Jo	2691 Barclay St	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Heidelberg-Ar	Suzanne	2001 Duluth St	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Hill	Kenneth	1210 Belmont Ln E	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Hoppe	Janice	1675 County Road C E	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Horner	Jan	2290 Timber Trl E	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Houk	Jerald	185 Downs Ave	Maplewood	MN	55117	
	Islas	Karen	760 Bartelmy Ln N	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Janezich	Craig	1634 Woodlyn Ave Unit 4	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Johannessen	Judith	1610 Woodlyn Ave Unit 3	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Juenemann	Benedict	721 Mount Vernon Ave	Maplewood	MN	55117	
	Jumat	Habibat	1184 Frisbie Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Kempe	William	3010 Furness Ct	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Kline	Alexander-Jeffery	1778 Desoto St	Maplewood	MN	55117	
	Koch	Sandra	2600 Clarence St	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Koppen	Charles	1998 Ripley Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Koppen	Marilyn	1998 Ripley Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Koppen	Marvin	1998 Ripley Ave	Maplewood	MN	55109	
	Kuenzli	Rachel	450 Crestview Dr S	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Lavelle	Gary	1381 Rolling Hills Dr	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Lilja	Sarah	2392 Timber Ave E	Maplewood	MN	55119	
	Longrie	Diana	1771 Burr St	Maplewood	MN	55117	
	Mahnke	Stephan	2362 Springside Dr E	Maplewood	MN	55119	