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A bill has been introduced into the Washington State Legislature that would allow for the use of Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) in local elections. Compared to our present First Past the Post system, RCV is more representative, encourages a less heated political climate, makes run off elections obsolete, improves turn out, and eliminates the spoiler effect. I hope that the City Council will adopt a resolution in support of House Bill 1156, to encourage our legislators to pass it into law, and further, to commit to improving our elections and our republic by using Ranked Choice Voting in future elections if given the option.

Thank you,  
James Youngman

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