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Via E-mail and USPS

March 16, 2017

Julie Wise, Director
King County Elections
919 Southwest Grady Way
Renton, WA 98057-2906

Subject: *Proposed Initiative Measure No. 127*

Dear Ms. Wise:

Please be advised that the proposed subject initiative petition was filed as Clerk File No. 320165 on Thursday, March 9, 2017. This initiative petition has been designated Initiative Measure No. 127, concerning establishing rules for transparency in rental pricing.

The Seattle City Attorney's Office has provided the following ballot title:

THE CITY OF SEATTLE
INITIATIVE MEASURE NUMBER 127

City of Seattle Initiative Measure 127 concerns regulations requiring landlords to disclose costs covered by rental fees.

If approved, this initiative would require property owners or landlords to provide a written breakdown of costs included in the price of rent, including base rent, mortgage, insurance, property taxes and other costs. This breakdown would be provided to existing tenants and included in every new rental agreement and rent increase notice. Tenants could request written evidence of the costs. Certain property types would be exempt. Reporting requirements, arbitration procedures, and monetary penalties for non-compliance are included.

Should this initiative measure be approved?

Yes []

No []

[End of Title]

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The initiative's proponents have been informed that the minimum number of resident registered voter signatures required is 20,638 and shall be filed in accordance with the guidelines provided by the City Clerk's Office no later than Tuesday, September 12, 2017, at 5:00 p.m., for subsequent submittal to your office for verification of sufficiency of signatures.

Should you have any questions or if you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (206) 684-8361 or email monica.simmons@seattle.gov.

Sincerely,



Monica Martinez Simmons
City Clerk

cc: Devin Silvernail, Seattleites for Rent Transparency
Mayor Edward Murray
City Councilmembers
Peter Holmes, City Attorney
Wayne Barnett, Executive Director, SEEC