Submission 040

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TOWNSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Walker St

Townsville .4810

SUBMISSION RE: DIVISIONAL BOUNDARIES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT (individual submission)

I submit that the Townsville City Council should revert to "divisional boundaries" wherein electors vote directly for a candidate to represent their ward.

Under that previous system my husband and I were able to develop a relationship with "our" councillor and issues and concerns were discussed and addressed promptly. We were able to give credit to the individual concerned as our council representative. This has not occurred since the current system has been in place.

Reverting to that system will:

- make councillors directly accountable for the electors of each ward
- Councillor's performance will be measured by those electors and his/her future involvement with the council will be determined by their performance during the previous term.

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