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## Candidates Running for Boston City Council in 2011

*Fewer competitive races but At-Large and District 3 races will spark interest*

This year is an election year for City Councilors but not for Mayor or President, so turnout will be a factor. All Councilors but one are running for re-election and five District Councilors are running unopposed. The preliminary election will be held on **Tuesday, September 27th**, but only candidates in three District races will be on the ballot. The municipal election will be held on **Tuesday, November 8th**.

### District Races

The five District City Councilors running unopposed (56%) this year are :

Salvatore LaMattina	District 1
Rob Consalvo	District 5
Matt O'Malley	District 6
Michael Ross	District 8
Mark Ciommo	District 9

In **District 2**, Councilor Bill Linehan is being challenged by Bob Ferrara who previously ran in 2007 and Suzanne Lee, South End activist and former BPS Principal.

In **District 4**, Councilor Charles Yancey is being challenged by J.R. Rucker, a former District 4 candidate. With only one challenger, no preliminary race will be held.

**District 7** Councilor Tito Jackson, who was elected this past spring in the special election to replace Chuck Turner, will face three challengers two of whom, Althea Garrison and Roy Owens are perennial candidates, and

Sheneal Parker, a Mattapan community organizer and former teacher.

Maureen Feeney who has served as the District 3 City Councilor for the past 17 years is not running for re-election which is creating a competitive race among seven candidates to fill that seat. They are:

Frank Baker	Savin Hill activist
Doug Bennett	former At-Large candidate
Stephanie Everett	aide to Senator Chang-Diaz
Craig Galvin	former campaign worker
Martin Hogan	former At-Large candidate
John O'Toole	Cedar Grove activist
Marydith Tuitt	aide to Rep. Fox

### At-Large Race

The At-Large race will feature the four incumbents running for re-election who are being challenged by three other candidates, most notably Michael Flaherty, former City Councilor President and mayoral candidate. The four incumbents running are Felix Arroyo, John Connolly, Steve Murphy and Ayanna Pressley. Also in the race are Will Dorcena, brother of Dorchester State Rep. Linda Dorcena Forry, and Sean Ryan, former At-Large candidate. With only seven candidates, this race will skip the preliminary election and be decided on November 8th.