

My name is _____. I am writing to ask you to vote **yes** for Council Districts on Tuesday, December 22, 2009. Council Districts will mean better representation, more accountability and no new costs. It just makes sense.

I'm not alone in supporting Council Districts. **Newsday** endorses Council Districts: "Huntington is a modern, cosmopolitan town in many ways. It's time its form of government reflected that." Steve Levy does too: "The decision to support Council Districts should not be based on one's party registration." Read more [endorsements here](#). Here's why I support Council Districts for Huntington:

Better representation: Currently our 4 Town Council members represent the whole town, but no one represents your community. With Council Districts, you will have a Town Council member from your community representing your community.

More accountability: With Council Districts, you will have a council member who answers to you. That person's job will depend on how well he or she represents your community.

More openness: This year, 100 percent of the Town Council's 598 votes have been unanimous. With Council Districts, we will have new voices running for office and more public input, more debate, and decisions that reflect all our communities.

Takes the big money out of town politics: Town Council members raise over \$220,000 in each election cycle to reach the more than 200,000 residents of Huntington. With Town Council Districts, community ties matter more than money. With Town Council Districts, candidates will win based on what they do for your community.

No New Costs: No new layers, no new staff and no new costs. Four towns on Long Island have made the switch and none have raised costs because of Council Districts.

Huntington Has Outgrown the At-Large System: When the State established the Town government structure in the 1920's, Huntington had fewer than 30,000 residents. Today, Huntington has over 200,000 residents, more than Salt Lake City, Des Moines and Little Rock.

Why a vote on December 22? Because the Town Board denied our request to put it on the ballot on Election Day. [Read more](#). For a polling info or an absentee ballot, [click here](#).

To learn more about the issues, volunteer to support Council Districts and request an absentee ballot click here: www.concernedcitizensofhuntington.com or <http://huntingtoncouncildistricts.wordpress.com>.

Get involved! Contact us at info@concernedcitizensofhuntington.com.

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