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**Subject:** For Thursday City Council meeting: Letter in support of researching election policies

Hello Brisbane City Council,

First off, thank you for all the hard work you do every day on behalf of Brisbane -- it is very much noticed and appreciated. It is clear that you all have our town's best interest at heart!

I just wanted to send a note in support of the idea of looking into updating some of our election policies and procedures. As I understand it, there is a request to begin the process of researching district voting, mayoral general election, and term limits. I am not an expert on local government, but as I learn more about these options I think it would be a good idea to research them as a city and learn more about what other similar cities are doing. We may not end up doing all these things, but I think it's been a long time since we looked at how we handle elections and the distribution of council members, and it can't hurt to do an evaluation and see where we might do better. I was particularly surprised to learn the Ridge has only had one elected council member in the whole time since it's been built -- it seems like there must be a better way to make sure our whole town is represented on the council.

Anyway, thank you for considering this. I am currently living in San Mateo so my daughter can attend San Mateo High, but we are still homeowners in Brisbane and plan to move back in the coming year. For what it's worth! :)

Kind regards,

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