



**Council Composition Review Committee Meeting Agenda
Additional Information**

Wednesday, November 20, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

McNaughton Room - 3rd Floor, City Hall

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*10. Deputation Request	2 - 12
Correspondence received from Vern Seymour, dated November 14, 2024 requesting to provide a deputation relative to City Council Composition, distributed separately on Tuesday, November 19, 2024.	
Correspondence received from Cory Bagdon, dated November 15, 2024 requesting to provide a deputation relative to City Council Composition, distributed separately on Tuesday, November 19, 2024.	

From: vernrseymour@tbaytel.net <vernrseymour@tbaytel.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2024 9:09 AM
To: Krista Power <Krista.Power@thunderbay.ca>
Cc: rebeccajohnson@tbaytel.net <rebeccajohnson@tbaytel.net>; Albert Aiello <Albert.Aiello@thunderbay.ca>; Andrew Foulds <Andrew.Foulds@thunderbay.ca>; Michael Zussino <Michael.Zussino@thunderbay.ca>; Crystal DePeuter <Crystal.DePeuter@thunderbay.ca>
Subject: RE: You where absolutely correct.

Thank you:

In truth my deputation will be based on the flaws I see in both concepts. Also my suggestion to make each option more acceptable, successful and palatable. I do have my opinion but since I do not have the final say but, council does, does it truly have any bearing on the outcome of councils deliberation? I will gladly state I like the 4 ward model but with the caveat that I reject the additional at-large positions. I have no plan for a power point as a component.

Hope that is sufficient.

Vern

Please note the following response to Speak to City Council has been submitted at Friday November 15th 2024 11:32 AM with reference number 2024-11-15-007.

- **What would you like to speak to Council about:**
Council composition review committee
- **Is this an item scheduled on a current agenda?:**
Yes
- **If yes, please provide report title or number.**
November 20th CCRC meeting
- **Provide as much information as you can about the matter you would like to speak to:**
I will be providing the details of my deputation before Monday morning for vetting.
- **Provide specific actions you would like Council to take:**
Consider a ward council composition that has no at-large councillors.
- **Have you already been in contact with City staff in regards to the subject matter of your deputation request?**
Yes
- **Who did you speak to in City Administration? What was the outcome?**
I have spoken with the chair of the CCRC as well as city Clerk Power.
- **Please select the date of the meeting:**
Committee of the Whole - Monday, November 18 2024
- **Please choose**
Mr
- **First name:**
Cory
- **Last name:**
Bagdon
- **Email:**
info@corybagdon.ca
- **Phone:**
(807) 708-7065
- **Please note the names of the presenters that will be attending with you:**
Cory Bagdon
- **Please indicate how you intend to participate in the meeting.**
In Person

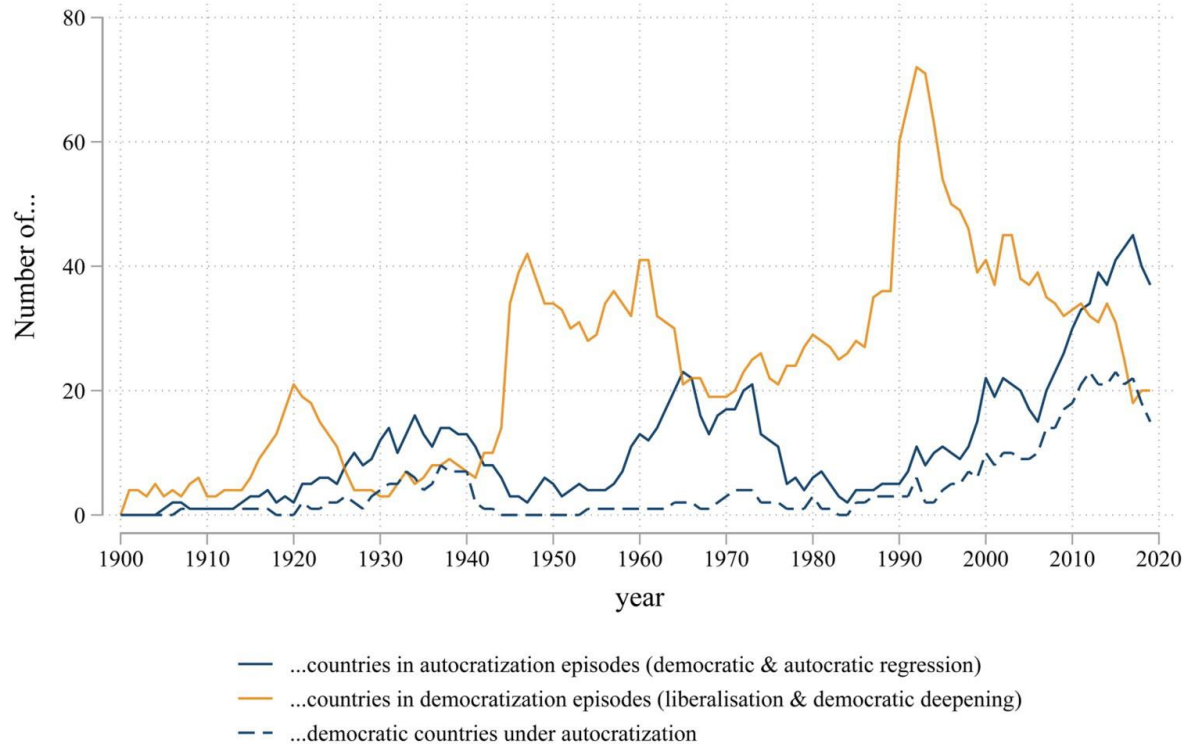
Council Composition Review, November 2024

Cory Bagdon

Public Engagement

Voted in 2022:	43%
Did not vote in 2022:	57%
Ontarians represented by at-large councillors (2021):	161 505 (18%)
Ontarians represented by a ward system (2021):	743 064 (82%)
Median campaign expenses for at-large candidates (2022):	\$4 584.82
Median campaign expenses for ward candidates (2022):	\$2 258.39

Democratic Backsliding



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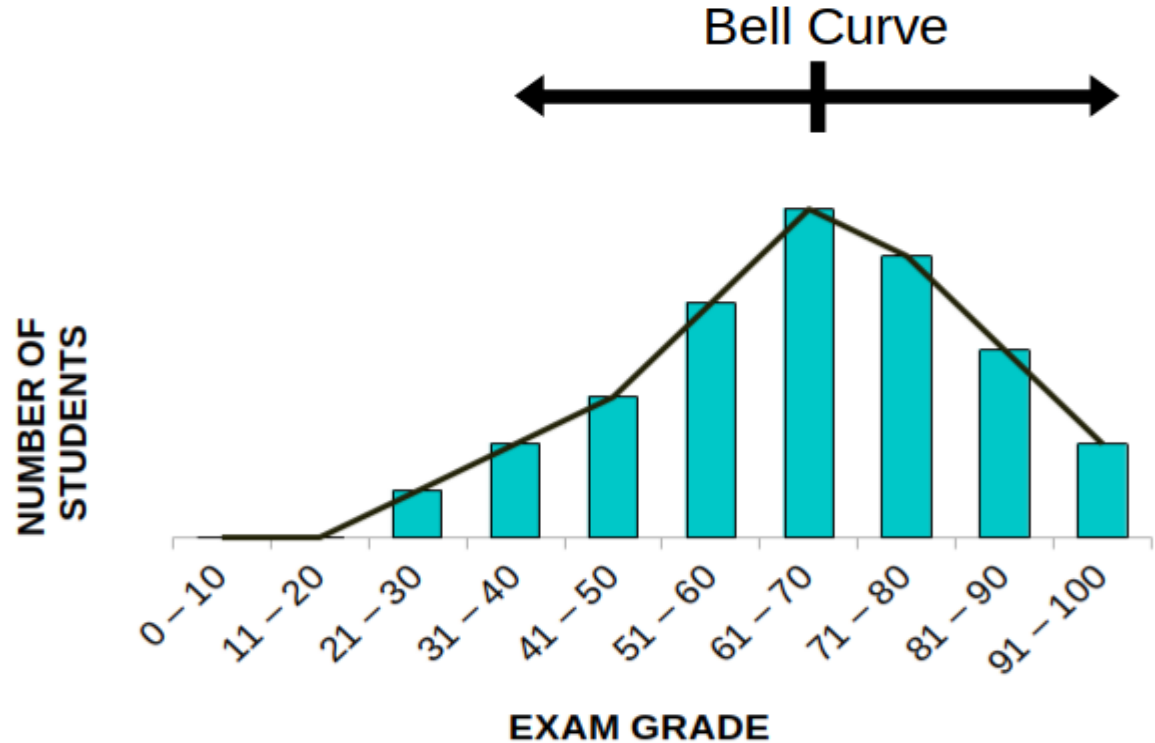
The incremental process whereby democratic institutions experience autocratic regression.

Shows "number of countries that experience autocratization [and democratization] as defined by the Episodes of Regime Transformation (ERT) Dataset" from 1900–2019 [note: not 2000]. The cited dataset is produced by V-Dem Institute.
Vanessa A. Boese, Staffan I. Lindberg, Anna Lührmann - <https://www.tandfonline.com/>

Normal Distribution

Scores on a math exam:

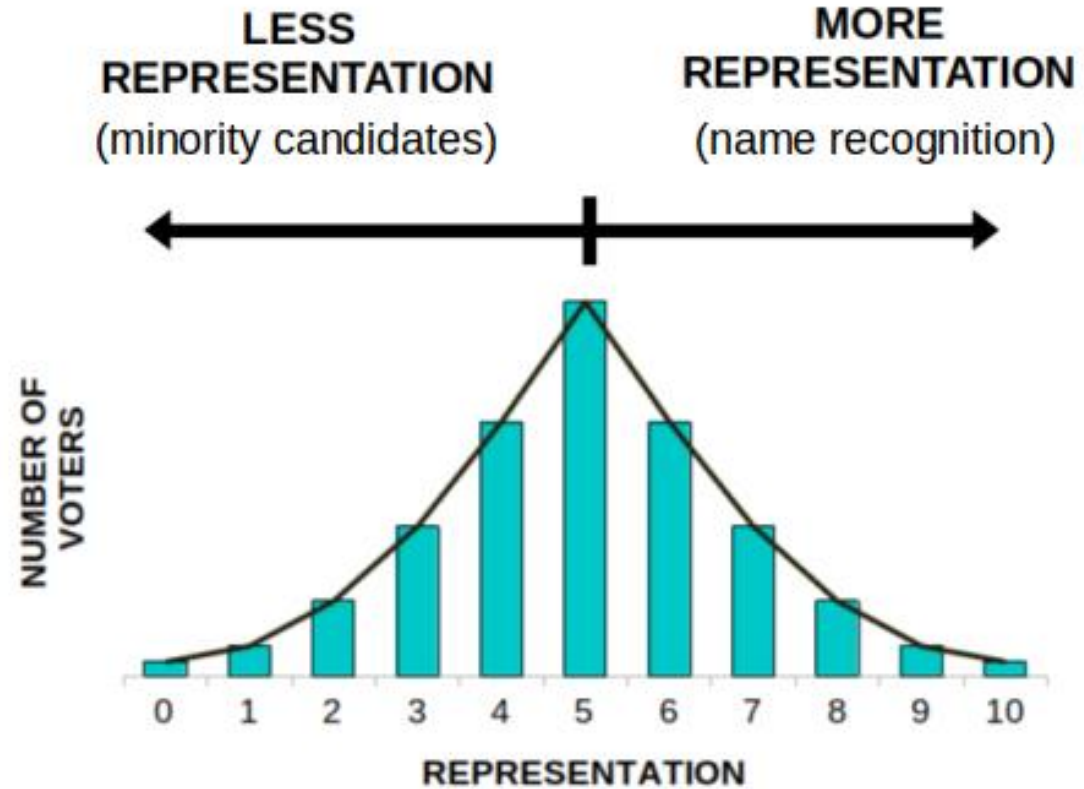
30 students write a statistics final exam. Result is a **normal distribution** in exam grades.



At-Large Distribution

Distribution in Representation:

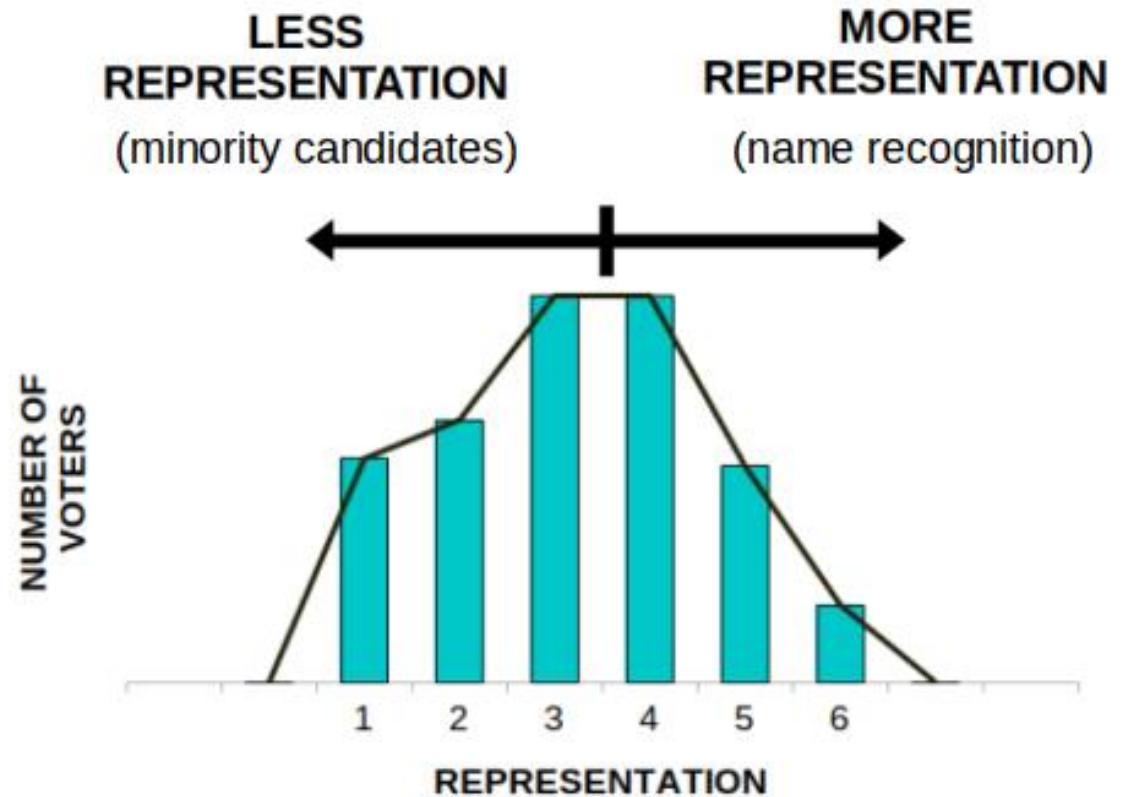
At-large systems result in some voters having no representation at all.



Hybrid Distribution

Distribution in Representation:

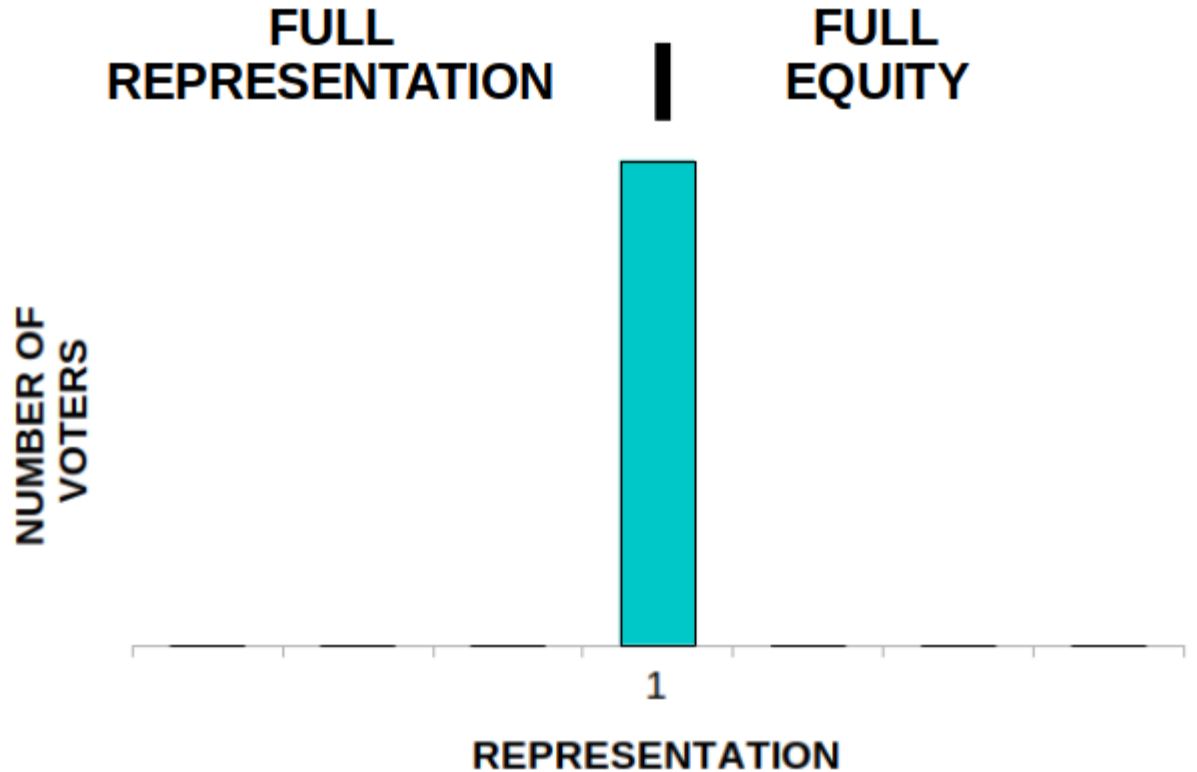
A hybrid system results in everyone having at least some representation.



Ward Distribution

Distribution in Representation:

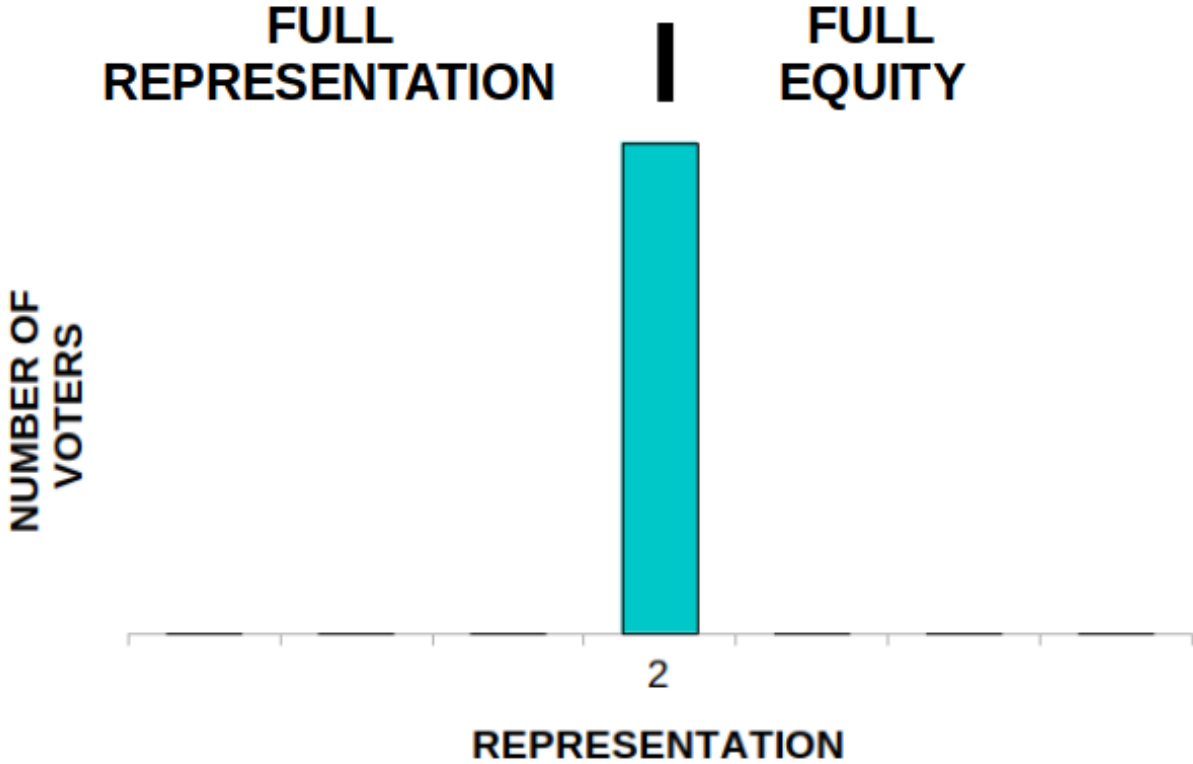
Ward systems will always result in full representation and full equity.



Deputy Mayor Distribution

Distribution in Representation:

Deputy mayors will increase at-large representation for everyone, equitably.



Nine Ward Model

Full Representation

democratic.

Full Equity

person, one vote.

Inclusion

barriers for minority candidates.

Diversity

Smaller wards, more of them.

Simplicity

voter turnout.

More

One

Fewer

Drives

