



# PROTECT DEMOCRACY

STOP THE BACKROOM DEALS

# RECALL BALDWIN

In a **BACKROOM DEAL** with **NO public notice**, **NO public engagement** and **NO public vote**, Mayor Baldwin and the Raleigh City Council delayed their elections until November 2022 and lowered the bar for the number of votes required for victory from majority to plurality. This is widely considered to favor incumbents.

Because of US Census delays, most NC municipalities are rescheduling elections to March 2022, when statewide primary elections are held. Instead, the mayor and City Council **secretly** decided to give themselves 8 more months in office.

North Carolina's top elected officials and media criticized the complete lack of public input in Mayor Baldwin's and the City Council's backroom election change.

**SEN. DAN BLUE** – "the citizens of Raleigh haven't had an opportunity to comment on any of this... It's not a public resolution because it was done in a closed meeting"

**N&O EDITORS** – "the last thing we need is for city council members to emerge from a figurative smoke-filled room with a decision bearing no public input"

**GOV. ROY COOPER** – "decisions about local elections like these should involve more open discussion and public input"

Since the beginning of the Mayor's term, she has engaged in behind-closed-doors deal making; from attempting to silence citizen voices on development issues (by abolishing City support of Citizen Advisory Councils) to this undemocratic power-grab. **Read more about her poor leadership on right panel...**

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# Livable Raleigh

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Livable Raleigh is made up of volunteers who love our city as you do and care about quality of life for every resident and all our communities. Over the past 18 months, we've been the public's voice in holding Mayor Baldwin and the Council accountable for their failures to honor citizen voices, to exhibit good governance, or to promote sustainable and equitable growth. Here are a few highlights from our website reports:



### CACs Secretly Sacked:

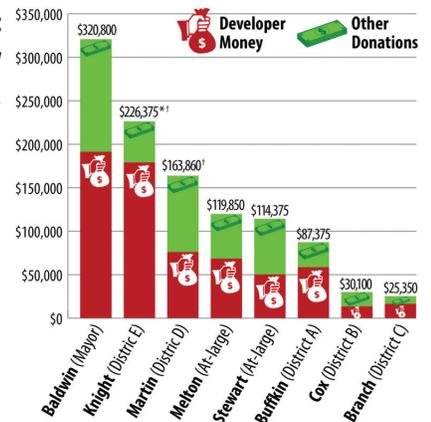
Without warning or public input, Council sacked Raleigh's grassroots voice in government, the Citizens Advisory Councils.

### Big Money Buys Elections:

2019 Council elections were heavily funded by developer money.



**Density Anywhere:** Council always puts developer profits ahead of sustainable growth, even sacrificing Azalea Falls, Raleigh's environmental gem.



**Tax Increment Grant:** Council's new TIG policy gives developers massive tax breaks while taxpayers get tax bills.

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**Downtown South:** Review board said this mega-project exhibits "a vicious disregard for equity & fairness." Council set a special meeting for quick approval.

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