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**INDEPENDENT SPENDING EXCEEDS \$2.75 MILLION IN
CITY COUNCIL AND LAUSD RACES**

With only four more days remaining before the March 3 elections, independent spending has surpassed \$1 million in both the City Council and Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education (LAUSD) races. To date, the amount in independent expenditures for all City and LAUSD candidate elections totals \$2,877,278.25.

- For all City Council races on the March 3 ballot, total independent spending combined has reached \$1,286,363.28.
- For all LAUSD races on the March 3 ballot, total independent spending combined has reached \$1,590,914.97.

Independent spending occurs when a person, including an organization, incurs certain costs for a communication that supports or opposes a candidate or ballot measure, and the communication is not coordinated with or authorized by a candidate. Currently, a person must report independent spending and provide a copy of the communication to the Ethics Commission within 24 hours of making or incurring the costs.

Additional information about independent spending in these elections, including disclosure reports and campaign communications, is available on the “campaign finance” page at ethics.lacity.org.

The City Ethics Commission was created by Los Angeles voters in 1990 to impartially administer and enforce the City’s governmental ethics, campaign financing, and lobbying laws.