10-32.100 Contribution limitations.

(A) City Council Candidates. Except as provided in subsection (B) of this section, no person shall make, and no City Council candidate or treasurer of any controlled committee of any City Council candidate shall solicit or accept, any contributions which would cause the total amount contributed by such person to such candidate or to his or her controlled committee, to exceed $500.00 during any election cycle. Contributions accepted for campaign expenses and for officeholder expenses shall be aggregated for purposes of the limitation set forth in this section.

(B) Elective Council Members and Candidates with Outstanding Debt from Prior Election. No person shall make, and no City Council member or indebted former candidate, or treasurer of any controlled committee of any City Council member or indebted former candidate, shall solicit or accept, any contributions for the purpose of retiring outstanding debt from a prior City election which would cause the total amount contributed by such person to such City Council member or indebted former candidate or to his or her controlled committee, to exceed $500.00 for the election in which the outstanding debt was incurred, regardless of when the contribution(s) is made or received.

(C) Recall Elections. The contribution limitations set forth in subsection (A) above shall also apply to any committee which collects contributions for the purpose of making expenditures in support of or opposition to the recall of a City Council member, and to contributions received by such City Council member, during a recall election cycle as defined in Section 10-32.120.

(D) Candidate’s Personal Funds. The provisions of this section shall not apply to a City Council candidate’s contribution of his or her personal funds to his or her own controlled committee. Contributions by the spouse of a City Council candidate from such spouse’s separate property shall be subject to the contribution limitations set forth in subsection (A). (Ord. 4027 § 1, 2014)