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Did a candidate take money from a developer charged with building code violations? Click on that contribution and tell us.

Did another council member introduce legislation at the urging of a particular union? Connect those dots for us.

Councilpedia sorts contributions by type: major donor, labor union, real estate, etc for each official. With a few clicks you can see all the contributions a candidate received from labor unions or from developers.

Beyond that, Councilpedia pulls together an unprecedented amount of material—campaign expenditures, council members' sponsored legislation, member items, campaign history and more—all to one convenient location.

We designed Councilpedia to encourage readers to participate and share what they may know about politicians and their donors. To get started, go to the [main page](#) and click on the name of the elected official who interests you. The politician's home page will list all contributors for the 2009 campaign. You can also find out if the politician has collected money for 2013 – and who that money has come from. You can also narrow the search by selecting any of the options under "Contributions by Category" or by searching for a section of the alphabet.

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