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Dear Mr. Bryan:

I am in receipt of your letter of February 17, 1975, in which you sent me a question and answer sheet you have written concerning municipal elections. It is my understanding that you did not expect a reply unless I found a discrepancy, which I did not. However, I am writing this letter as I have been unable to reach you by phone to explain the significance of the last question. If you need assistance from me concerning this question, please inform me of your intended question and I will respond.

The following is just general information on your question concerning write-in candidates. It would be necessary to have as many blanks as there are offices to be filled and these names should be counted as you would count any other candidates vote. If a write-in candidate for mayor receives more total votes than the candidates on the ballot, he would win. If the council is running from numbered seats, the write-in would be counted for the numbered seat he is written in for; otherwise, these write-in votes would be counted as any other vote cast in the election.

Very truly yours,

Treva G. Ashworth  
Assistant Attorney General

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