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Onondaga County Comptroller Announces 48-Hour FOIL Response Time for Upcoming County Races

Robert E. Antonacci II, Onondaga County Comptroller, announced today his office's policy regarding the submission of FOIL (Freedom of Information Law) requests by candidates for office of County Executive, Comptroller and Legislative races.

Mr. Antonacci stated, "During the upcoming election season, it is imperative we be as transparent as possible with regard to County data and therefore my office will endeavor to release any information requested regarding County financial data within 48 hours of the receipt of a request for information."

Mr. Antonacci decided to implement this policy after several FOIL requests were received from the Toby Shelley Campaign for County Executive.

"While the Law Department appears to be clearly within the law in its response to the Shelley Campaign FOIL's, we feel it is best to respond to these requests as quickly as possible. Also, FOIL requests will be posted on our website and the answers to these requests will also be posted so all candidates are working from the same information," Mr. Antonacci added.

"As a candidate for elective office, I know how important it is to get information to help assess issues and meet with and discuss these issues with taxpayers. We are very proud of our past efforts regarding access to data and feel this policy will insure the taxpayers can be informed by all candidates of elected offices of the issues facing Onondaga County," concluded Mr. Antonacci.

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