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Mayoral hopeful Sarah Iannarone stays mum on fundraising

*By Brad Schmidt
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Political newcomer Sarah Iannarone turned heads Jan. 21, not only by entering Portland's mayoral race but also by saying she hoped to [raise \\$100,000 within two weeks](#).

That deadline is today.

So, how's she doing?

Iannarone's not there yet, according to campaign spokeswoman Sarah Bott.

"She's busy and very optimistic toward her original goal," Bott said Thursday.

Just how much money has Iannarone raised? Bott declined to say.

"She's out raising money now," Bott added.

Political success isn't necessarily about money. But fundraising offers a window into how seriously a candidate is taken by influential donors, and that money later helps viable candidates campaign and reach voters across Portland.

Because Iannarone is a political novice -- she's a restaurant owner, assistant director of First Stop Portland, and good friends with Mayor Charlie Hales' wife, Nancy -- observers have suggested her fundraising will [serve as a bellwether for her impact on the May 17 primary](#).

The frontrunners, Ted Wheeler and Jules Bailey, have taken different approaches to fundraising.

Wheeler has secured more than \$369,000 since launching his campaign last year, according to disclosures filed with the state. Bailey, who officially entered the race in January, capped contributions at \$250 and has reported more than \$26,000.

Iannarone hasn't reported a single dollar, although she doesn't have to -- yet.

Under campaign-finance rules, candidates generally have [30 days to report contributions](#). Beginning April 5, candidates have to disclose contributions within seven days.

Wheeler, far ahead in fundraising and with significant personal wealth, last week called on his mayoral opponents to [disclose contributions within 48 hours](#).

Bott said Iannarone plans to file contribution reports under the mandated schedule, not before.

Portland Commissioner Steve Novick's father dies

By Brad Schmidt

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Bob Novick, whose son, Steve, is a Portland city commissioner, has died of kidney failure. He was 78.

Novick had been receiving dialysis treatment for several years but his condition worsened in recent weeks. He passed away last night, Steve Novick said Thursday.

The elder Novick helped shape the views of his adopted son, instilling "good-quality left-wing politics" at an early age. He later encouraged Steve to run for office in 2008 and 2012, and remained attuned politically even in his last days.

"I'm sorry he won't be here to enjoy Bernie Sanders' victory in New Hampshire on Tuesday," Steve Novick said.

A native of Brooklyn, New York, Bob Novick found himself rooting not for the Dodgers, but the more-dominant Yankees, an allegiance that stuck even after he moved to the West Coast.

In 1968, he co-founded an underground San Francisco paper called the [Express Times](#), proudly calling on voters to simply stay home rather than pick between pro-war presidential candidates Richard Nixon or Hubert Humphrey.

The Novicks reminisced about the fledgling, short-lived newspaper last month as the elder's health deteriorated. As it happened, they reviewed the history of the paper on Jan. 24 -- its founding date.

"There's a 1-in-365 chance of this happening," Steve Novick recalled.

Bob Novick later worked as a case worker for the impoverished and also organized for the Service Employees International Union, a job he held into his 70s.

He joined Steve's family when Steve was 5, and they eventually settled in rural Cottage Grove. Steve Novick remembers his mother and father reading aloud to him late into the night. Later, father and son would share a love of history and sports.

When Steve Novick, a former environmental lawyer and political insider, decided to run for U.S. Senate in 2008, his dad traveled with him on early campaign stops.

During the election, [Bob Novick said of his son's upbringing](#): "He had a lot of the same characteristics that are the same now. He was real quick, very cute and very determined and very courageous."

Although Steve Novick [narrowly lost](#) to Democratic rival Jeff Merkley in the 2008 primary election, he returned to politics in 2012, when he won a seat on the City Council. Steve Novick, now 52, is up for re-election in May.

Today's [City Council meeting was unexpectedly canceled](#) because Novick, Mayor Charlie Hales and Commissioner Nick Fish are out of the office.

Bob Novick lived in Southeast Portland. He is survived by his sons, Steve and Max, and his sister, Diane.

Vote delayed on Right 2 Dream Too's Move

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Today's vote to [relocate the Right 2 Dream Too homeless camp](#) is delayed because most members of the City Council will be absent.

Mayor Charlie Hales is sick while Commissioners Nick Fish and Steve Novick are out for personal reasons.

Today's hearing was expected to last four hours, with homeless advocates supporting the plan and business leaders voicing opposition.

Hales and Commissioner Amanda Fritz want to move the homeless camp from its Old Town Chinatown location to city-owned property in the Central Eastside. Novick is expected to support the plan.

The hearing will be rescheduled to Feb. 18 at 2 p.m.

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Homless [sic] camp relocation hearing postponed

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Thursday's City Council hearing on relocating the Right 2 Dream Too homeless camp has been postponed because of a lack of a quorum.

The new hearing is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 18.

Mayor Charlie Hales, Commissioner Steve Novick, and Commissioner Nick Fish were unable to attend the Feb. 4 meeting due to unavoidable events.

The council was scheduled to consider a land vacation, a zoning confirmation letter, and an intent to relocate, all related to moving the camp from its current location at Northwest 4th and Burnside to a city-owned parcel at Southeast 3rd and Harrison.

An earlier Portland Tribune story on the issue can be found at pamplinmedia.com/pt/9-news/291407-167771-could-new-homeless-camp-be-long-term-model.