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The Sun-Times today begins endorsements for contested seats in the City Council in the Feb. 27 primary election. As in the past, we are backing incumbents who demonstrate a commitment to public service. This time, aldermen who stood up against the ill-conceived "big-box" ordinance also had an edge, though that position alone was not enough to win our support. In some wards an incumbent's performance was so lackluster that voters would be better off with new leadership.

**6th Ward:** Ald. Freddrenna M. Lyle's tenure has not lived up to expectations -- beginning with her moratorium on beauty shops in her ward to her support of the "big-box" ordinance to her recent tepid support for Chicago's Olympic bid. Our pick is **Karin M. Norington-Reaves**, a law professor and director of a nonprofit organization. Norington-Reaves vows to create advisory councils, to advocate for a Home Equity Assurance Program to stabilize property values while saving sellers from taking a loss, and to establish a comprehensive community resource center to help keep young people off the street.