

# *Elections Pickering*

*Special Edition*

*You can't change the people around you, but you can change the people around you*

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This newsletter is a special edition: **ELECTIONS PICKERING 22**. All candidates are treated equally and impartially. Personal opinions are the editor's and are in designated areas.

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## **Editorial: . . .**

# **VOTE !**

How fortunate we are to live in a democracy with freedom, liberty and equality, a democracy developed by years of hard political work and forged by the courage and bravery of many military veterans.

Our democracy is threatened by the political turmoil, chaos and disintegration of democracy in the United States. The trucker convoy is but one example of this erosion that is creeping northward. We should steel ourselves against such political upheavals such as the January 6 insurrection in Washington. Let us hope it remains an isolated incident quarantined to the USA.

### **Voter apathy**

We are faced with other difficulties, the worst may be *voter apathy*, particularly in municipal elections where voters may see themselves as playing for the farm team instead of the big leagues. The election turnout in the last election in this city, one of significant size, was less than 20%. Less than 1/5 of the population voted.

### **Role of municipal government**

Municipal governments affect citizens daily, more than the federal and provincial ones. Essential services regulated municipally: garbage collection, water management/supply, maintenance of parks, roadways, summer, winter...all managed by the city.

### **Civil servants accountable to you**

You have a say in city management with your vote. You elect the city councillors. Selecting good representatives is enough of a challenge on its own but not voting means you give management of your city, its policies and its actions, a pass. Perhaps you bring your voice to municipal council meetings to address councillors with your opinions, comments and suggestions. More likely, you are at work or at home after work, being with your family. That is as it should be but does it mean you don't care how your city is managed? You have a say in every election. It takes minutes to go to a polling station and cast your ballot. This election electronic voting should make voting even easier. Will it persuade you to participate in city management by voting?

Your vote means you control who sits on city council. Your vote reminds them that they are accountable to you. Why would you toss away that power?

Additionally, by voting you are showing that you recognize and appreciate your fellow citizens' committing themselves to working in government on your behalf. You demonstrate that you value and respect these individuals for their devotion, energy, and effort in managing the city for you. Such commitment has costs: candidates give up a lot to become candidates; their income changes; they lose time with their families; they lose fulfilling family responsibilities; in short their family life is eroded. Yet, they still pick up the mantle of civic duty and commit to working for you.

The above is more than 'idealism' or 'generic-speak.' It is fact. A candidate came to our home recently – a parent who is upset with the current municipal government – and explained the costs, time and commitment needed to be a candidate. This dissatisfaction became a campaign effort to change the current city council. A clear





demonstration of their regard for civic responsibility and civic commitment!

### The bottom line

**VOTE.** Vote because you care about the city in which you live. Vote because you support democracy. Vote because you want to continue living in a society you control, you manage. Vote because you care!



## Candidate list

	<u>C</u> CANDIDATE	<u>C</u> ONSTITUENCY
	ASHE, KEVIN	MAYOR, <u>C</u> CITY
	FRAMPTON, JANICE	MAYOR, <u>C</u> CITY
	NAZAR, BRADLEY	MAYOR, <u>C</u> CITY
	BRENNER, MAURICE	<u>W</u> ARD 1, REGION

	HAYES, TIM	WARD 1, REGION
	COOK, LINDA	WARD 2, REGION
	HIGDON, EILEEN	WARD 2, REGION
	MARANI, AL	WARD 2, REGION
	STRANGE, GARY	WARD 2, REGION
	PICKLES, DAVE	WARD 3, REGION
	RODRIGUES, PETER	WARD 3, REGION
	McCAFFERTY, JAMES	TRUSTEE, DCDSB
	PETERS, TERENCE	TRUSTEE, DCDSB
	VALOOKARAN, TOMY	TRUSTEE, DCDSB
	COURTIS, MICHAEL	TRUSTEE, DDSB
	CRUTEAU, SHERRY	TRUSTEE, DDSB

		
	CUNNINGHAM, EMMA	TRUSTEE, DDSB
	FRANCIS, MICHELLE	TRUSTEE, DDSB
	LINTON, STEPHEN	TRUSTEE, DDSB
	SOBERS, DONNA	TRUSTEE, DDSB
	BLAIR, JAMES	WARD 1, CITY
	HAROLD, Tony	WARD 1, CITY
	KAZI, ZEYNAB	WARD 1, CITY
	RAJASINGHAM, RAVEENA	WARD 1, CITY
	ROBINSON, LISA	WARD 1, CITY
	SLOAN, KAREN	WARD 1, CITY
	SOLIGO, JEANINE	WARD 1, CITY
	YACUB, ANTHONY	WARD 1, CITY




	<b>CURRIE, DAVID</b>	<b>WARD 2, CITY</b>
	<b>McGILLAN, FRANK</b>	<b>WARD 2, CITY</b>
	<b>NAGY, MARA</b>	<b>WARD 2, CITY</b>
	<b>SARDAR, AYESHA</b>	<b>WARD 2, CITY</b>
	<b>TURNER, GEORGE</b>	<b>WARD 2, CITY</b>
	<b>VANROOY, NANCY</b>	<b>WARD 2, CITY</b>
	<b>BUTT, SHAHEEN</b>	<b>WARD 3, CITY</b>
	<b>NAQVI, ALI</b>	<b>WARD 3, CITY</b>
	<b>SRITHARAN, DARSHAN</b>	<b>WARD 3, CITY</b>
	<b>WILLIAMS, DAMIAN</b>	<b>WARD 3, CITY</b>




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## Candidate BIO's







Candidate	Photo	Office	Bio
ASHE, KEVIN		MAYOR	Councillor Kevin Ashe has been a resident of Pickering for over 50 years. Kevin's family has been involved in politics in Pickering for over 50 years, with his late father, George, serving as the first Mayor of the then Town of Pickering, in 1973. Kevin was first elected as Ward 1 City Councillor in 2003, and was re-elected by Ward 1 residents in 2010 and 2014. In November 2015, Kevin was appointed as Regional Councillor for Ward 1, and was re-elected in 2018. Kevin currently sits on the following committees:




			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Committee</li> <li>• Planning &amp; Development Committee</li> <li>• Toronto and Region Conservation Authority</li> <li>• Regional Finance &amp; Administration Committee</li> <li>• Durham Region Police Services Board</li> </ul> <p>Prior to sitting on City Council, Kevin served as a Trustee on the Durham Catholic District School Board, representing Pickering from 1985 to 1997, and served as Chair of the Board in 1994. Kevin also served on the Board of Directors of the Ontario Catholic School Trustees Association from 1991 to 1997.</p> <p>Kevin believes in community involvement and has previously served on the Boards of the Rouge Valley Health System Foundation, Ajax Pickering Big Brothers and Sisters, and the Ajax Pickering United Way. Kevin is also an active member of the Rotary Club of Whitby Sunrise since 1988.</p>
<b>BLAIR, JAMES</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	
<b>BRENNER, MAURICE</b>		<b>REGION 1</b>	<p>40 Years of Experience that translates into action, when you need it</p> <p>Maurice is a proud recipient of the Queens Diamond Jubilee Award recognizing his 40 years of dedication and work in the Community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9 Terms Elected Ward 1 Councillor, 1985-1991 City Councillor, 1991-2006 Regional Councillor, 2016-present City Councillor, 2018-present Durham Regional Council Alternate</li> <li>• Chair and Board Member PARA Marine Search and Rescue May 2022-present</li> <li>• Vice Chair Pickering Library Board Member 2016-present</li> <li>• Chair Pickering Taxi Cab Advisory Committee</li> <li>• Site Plan Advisory Committee</li> <li>• Civic Awards Committee</li> <li>• Acting Mayor 1992, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2001, 2004, 2005</li> <li>• Interim Mayor Fall 2003</li> <li>• Former Member Accessibility Advisory Committee</li> <li>• Former Chair Pickering Audit Committee</li> <li>• Former Chair City of Pickering Waterfront Coordinating Committee</li> <li>• Former Chair Sustainable Pickering</li> <li>• Former Co-Chair Community Against Violence Everywhere</li> <li>• Former Co-Chair Ajax Pickering Transit Authority</li> <li>• Former President Durham Region Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation</li> <li>• Durham Region's First Child and Youth Advocate</li> <li>• Former appointee Durham Region Trails Committee</li> </ul> <p>Former member, Durham Regional Health and Social Services Committee</p>
<b>BUTT, SHAHEEN</b>		<b>WARD 3</b>	
<b>COOK, LINDA</b>		<b>REGION 2</b>	<p>25+ years of professional leadership skills combined with a lifelong commitment to advocacy and mentorship. Honoured recipient of City of Pickering Service Award for Volunteer of the Year, 2020.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• President &amp; Past President, Pickering East Shore Community</li> </ul>



			<p>Association (PESCA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Liaison, Durham Catholic School Board, Special Education Advisory</li> <li>• Committee (SEAC) – one 4-year term</li> <li>• Royal Canadian Legion #606 – Volunteer since 2018</li> <li>• Special Olympics National Winter Games 2020 – Athlete Liaison, Team Ontario</li> <li>• Special Olympics 2019 Provincial Winter Games – Head Coach, South Central Ontario Speed Skating</li> <li>• Greater Durham Special Olympics - Assistant Coach &amp; Team Manager, Speed Skating – 2013 to present</li> <li>• Chair, Parent Involvement Committee - Holy Redeemer &amp; Father Fenelon Catholic Schools – 2010 to 2018</li> </ul> <p><b>Professional Accreditation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Associate Degree in Journalism</li> <li>• Undergraduate student, University of Alberta, Faculty of Native Studies, BA</li> <li>• Project Management Professional (PMP)</li> <li>• Pragmatic Marketing Certified</li> <li>• Senior Director, Brand, Canada, Carrier &amp; Hyperscale Marketing- Cologix, Inc.</li> <li>• Co-Owner of Juno award winning Raw Energy Records - 1992- 1996</li> <li>• Follow Linda at <a href="mailto:www.lindacook.ca">mailto:www.lindacook.ca</a></li> </ul>
<b>COURTIS, MICHAEL</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	
<b>CROTEAU, SHERRY</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	<p>As a former Pickering Trustee from 2003-2010, I championed important initiatives like the Heroes at Home Program with the Pickering Veterans’ Association, the Breakfast Program, and the creation of the Youth Health Centre at Dunbarton. My experience will allow me to hit the ground running to represent the interests of students and parents.</p> <p>I have lived in Pickering since 2000, where my husband and I have raised our two children and our dog Echo. I also work in Pickering as a real estate agent and have previously worked in communications and marketing- skills that help me be an effective communicator. I believe in life-long learning and completed my university degree at age 40.</p> <p>I currently serve on the Pickering Heritage Committee and have previously volunteered with several local sports clubs and charities. I’m also an active member of our community who has spent many years as a hockey and tennis mom</p>
<b>CUNNINGHAM EMMA</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	Lifelong activist for social justice, communications strategist, community advocate, politics junkie, and mother of two DDSB students.
<b>CURRIE, DAVID</b>		<b>WARD 2</b>	
<b>FRAMPTON, JANICE</b>		<b>MAYOR</b>	
<b>FRANCIS,</b>		<b>TRUSTEE,</b>	Professor Francis has been a resident of Pickering for over 20 years.




<p><b>MICHELLE LEONG</b></p>		<p><b>DDSB</b></p> <p>Michelle alongside her partner has raised a family [native and foster] with volunteerism as a foundational fabric and way of living.</p> <p>Michelle has been a voice and pillar in her community since relocating to Pickering through Chairing Neighbourhood Watch and Spirit of Community fund raising &amp; advocacy host for a family devastated by a residential fire, claiming the lives of two Pickering children.</p> <p>Michelle’s family has been involved in education, politics, and governance for over 30 years.</p> <p>Having started her life in some of the most notorious communities battling stigma, Michelle has learned the impact of exclusion, bias, and significance of community.</p> <p>As former President of the Durham Family Court Clinic, Michelle has been a presence and inspiration for many as her father; a Jubilee Award Recipient of Civil Rights Activism, introduced her to Social Justice and one Nelson Mandela at Toronto’s Queen’s Park.</p> <p>Michelle’s commitment to fairness afforded her recognition as Top 100 Accomplished Canadian Black Women to Watch 2020, an award recognized by its signatory Hon. Dr. Jean Augustine, former Ontario Fairness Commissioner and ex-Liberal MP and Minister.</p> <p>As a TD SIFE Judge &amp; Queen’s Park Blue Ribbon Committee member, Michelle has supported youth Financial Literacy and Entrepreneurship Ecosystems.</p> <p>Executive Board Position, Peer Coaching &amp; Youth Mentorship Roles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Durham Family Court Clinic</li> <li>• Law Society of Ontario</li> <li>• Scarborough Health Network</li> <li>• Havergal College</li> <li>• University of Toronto</li> <li>• City of Pickering Cultural Advisory</li> <li>• City of Pickering Inaugural Anti-Black Racism Task Force</li> <li>• Town of Markham Cultural Diversity Committee</li> <li>• Durham Habitat for Humanity</li> <li>• Fora [Formerly Girls on Boards- Girls 2.0]</li> <li>• DiverCity On Board</li> <li>• Futurepreneur</li> </ul> <p>Michelle has been recognized and awarded for her community engagement in Sustainability by attaining Energy Efficiency Proclamation and awarded recognition by Ontario Lieutenant Governor, Elizabeth Dowdeswell for her work with community Youth in Trades and application of Health Equity in the launch of her initiative Living Green Community Gardens.</p> <p><b><u>Areas of Academic Expertise, Certification &amp; Designations:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Human Resources Leadership Professional</li> <li>• Cross Cultural Counselling</li> <li>• Adult Education &amp; Training</li> </ul>
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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Governance*</li> <li>• Heath Equity**</li> </ul> <p>*Ontario Hospital Association  **Ontario College of Physicians &amp; Surgeons of Ontario</p> <p><b><i>Domestic &amp; International Speaking &amp; Presentation</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law Society, Mental Health Summit 2021/2022</li> <li>• Toronto Regional Real Estate Board, Equity, Diversity &amp; Inclusion 2022</li> <li>• Canadian Medical Hall Of Fame 2022</li> <li>• International Network of Business Incubation Association, International Conference on Business Incubation 2019</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Collegial Education &amp; Faculty Experience:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• University of Toronto</li> <li>• Law Society of Ontario</li> <li>• Toronto Region Real Estate Board</li> <li>• Durham College</li> <li>• Seneca College</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Political Experience</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DRO - Deputy Returning Officer</li> <li>• SDRO - Supervisory Deputy Returning Officer</li> <li>• Lobbyist- MPP Member’s Bill LSO Contingency Fees</li> <li>• Queen’s Park- Blue Ribbon Financial Literacy Political Action Committee member</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Associations</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women’s Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>• Toronto Board of Trade</li> <li>• BNI Corporate Pledge</li> </ul>
<p><b>HAROLD, TONY</b></p>		<p><b>WARD 1</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 47-year resident of Pickering, with 41 years in Ward 1</li> <li>• Attended Dunbarton High School, graduating as a Provincial Scholar</li> <li>• A graduate of the University of Toronto, earning his B.Sc. in Economics</li> <li>• Strong business acumen gained through over 30 years of negotiation, controlling expenses and balancing budgets</li> <li>• Passionate about his community:</li> <li>• Chair of the South Rosebank (SoRo) Safe Streets Initiative</li> <li>• Founding member of the Durham Regional Crime Stoppers program</li> <li>• Successful in getting 24hr ambulance service in Pickering</li> <li>• <b><i>A long-standing member of local charities:</i></b></li> <li>• Pickering Terry Fox Run</li> <li>• Durham Region Walk for Muscular Dystrophy</li> <li>• I enjoy spending time in the community with my family, my wife Janice and my son, Alex. I live in South Rosebank where I run</li> </ul>





			frequently throughout the neighbourhood.
<b>HAYES, TOM</b>		<b>REGION 1</b>	
<b>HIGDON, EILEEN</b>		<b>REGION 2</b>	
<b>KAZI, ZEYNAB</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	
<b>LINTON, STEPHEN</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	Stephen Linton lives in Pickering with his wife and two children ( ages 17 and 6) who serve as his greatest inspiration. Stephen has dedicated his career to community engagement and advocacy. He has over 15 years of Community Development experience working for the municipal government responding; to crisis situations, creating strategies to support street homeless clients and working with clients on social assistance supporting strategies to address barriers that impede their success. With over 10 years of board governance experience, he is the current Chairperson of the Pickering Library anti-Black Racism working group and former President of DurhamONE- an incorporated non-for-profit organization dedicated to amplifying the voice of Durham residents. As Trustee you can count on Stephen to be accessible, engaging and a strong advocate who is not afraid to hold himself and his colleagues accountable for their actions.
<b>MARANI, AL</b>		<b>REGION 2</b>	"Long time small business owner in Pickering. Focused on improving services and infrastructure. Committed to standing up for residents and for sensible, managed growth."
<b>McCAFFERTY, JAMES</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DCDSB</b>	<p><b>Home &amp; Community</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 44 year Pickering resident</li> <li>• married to Pauline, we have 2 children educated ENTIRELY in our Pickering Catholic Schools</li> <li>• currently a full-time Pickering trustee</li> <li>• Over 40 years of volunteer experience</li> <li>• work experience – Senior Computer Analyst (Ryerson graduate)</li> <li>• past chair Hospital for Sick Children’s Family Advisory Committee, Ajax/ Pickering United Way (Education Section), VIEWS for the Visually Impaired, 3rd Pickering Boy Scouts, etc.</li> <li>• attend many city &amp; community events and Pickering School Councils</li> </ul> <p><b>Church</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• active member of St. Isaac Jogues Parish community (40 years) &amp; Holy</li> </ul>

			<p>Redeemer Parish (5 years prior)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minister of Communion (40 years), rosary leader, and past lector and usher</li> </ul> <p>member of Knights of Columbus, Council 1 1098 (past Grand Knight, 2 years) and St. Ignatius of Loyola, Assembly 2509</p> <p><b>School</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member and/or Chair of DCDSB’s Special Education Advisory Committee; and past member of the Ministry’s Special Education Advisory Council. attending school events, Manresa retreats, masses, graduations, etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Trustee Experience:</b></p> <p>Trustees are policy makers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Serving as a trustee for 31 years and Chair of the Board (7 times), and as a member and/or Chair of all Board Committees, it has been my privilege to work together with school, home &amp; church to better serve our Catholic Community.</li> <li>- Whether as an effective voice in the Boardroom, or as a representative at various provincial and Ministry of Ed. events, I have spent many hours investigating inquiries from concerned parents &amp; participated in many school functions.</li> </ul>
<p>McGILLAN, FRANK</p>		<p>WARD 2</p>	
<p>NAGY, MARA</p>		<p>WARD 2</p>	<p>Lifelong Pickering resident, social and environmental activist, public school special education teacher, essential worker, York University PhD candidate in community development and local history. Honest, transparent, inclusive, sustainable, and community-oriented; politically active, and passionate for change</p>
<p>NAQVI, ALI</p>		<p>WARD 3</p>	
<p>NAZAR, BRADLEY</p>		<p>MAYOR</p>	<p>“I’m running for Mayor because it’s time for change in Pickering,” said Brad Nazar. “It’s time for “responsible development” to be a guiding principle at City Hall, not just a passing political slogan, and it’s time for transparency at City Hall to be a rule of thumb, not a passing thought.</p> <p>We can work together to build a better Pickering for us all. That’s my promise to the voters of Pickering. For all my neighbours out there that feel the same way: I hope you’ll join me.”</p> <p>Bradley Nazar has dedicated most of his life to serving the public. He joined the Canadian Armed Forces Reserves at the age of 16 as a summer job. That summer job lasted almost decade and paid for his degree at Carleton University, where he graduated with a BA in Criminology with a minor in Law. Upon graduating, Brad started working on Parliament Hill, first in the office of the Minister of National Defence, and then in the office of the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans.</p> <p>After completing his MA in International Security at the Centre for Policing Intelligence and Counter Terrorism at Macquarie University in Australia,</p>

			<p>Brad had a brief stint in the private sector, improving security at diamond mines and other facilities in Canada and internationally.</p> <p>In 2018 he returned to public service, working for Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy at Queen's Park, first as Director of Issues and Legislative Affairs at the Treasury Board of Ontario, and then as Deputy Chief of Staff at the Ministry of Finance of Ontario.</p> <p>Brad now works for Metrolinx and lives in Pickering with his wife, two young sons, and rescue dog Oscar.</p> <p>Brad believes that public servants should serve the public interest, regardless of outside influences. Over the past few years, he has listened as fellow residents have grown concerned over the influence that developers, and their donations and gifts to Pickering Council, play in Pickering municipal politics.</p>
<b>PETERS, TERENCE</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DCDSB</b>	
<b>PICKLES, DAVE</b>		<b>REGION 3</b>	<p>Councillor David Pickles, his wife of 33 years, Brenda, and their two daughters have been residents in the Brock Ridge neighbourhood of Ward 3 in Pickering for over 30 years. Brenda is a local retail business owner. Councillor Pickles was first elected to Council in 1997. He was re-elected to Ward 3 in 2000, 2003, 2006, and 2010, and elected as Regional Councillor in 2014 and 2018.</p> <p>He works hard for residents for fair taxes, sustainable and orderly growth, improved infrastructure, attracting and growing business, new recreational amenities, and a safe community.</p> <p>David holds a Bachelor of Environmental Studies- Honours Geography Degree from the University of Waterloo. He had a 32-year career in senior positions with several Ontario government ministries, which included experience in budgeting, planning, and environmental protection.</p> <p>In 2013, Councillor Pickles was awarded the prestigious Queen Elizabeth II, Diamond Jubilee Medal, for his work in the community.</p>
<b>RAJASINGHAM, RAVEENA</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	<p>A resident of Pickering over 16 years, wife and a mother of three children with deep passion for helping the community. An accomplished healthcare professional as a National Cardiology Clinical Specialist, lecturer and an avid academic researcher. I am honored to have been encouraged by community members to bring my passion, strengths and leadership to serving the community on Pickering Council.</p> <p>As an immigrant growing up, I've always valued the idea that each of us can be change-makers. This has led to my passion for community development and striving to make a difference in the communities I have been a part of. I have inspired and mentored many youth, seniors, and young women to be leaders today and for the future. I have spent decades working to enrich the communities I've been immersed in. My recent community volunteer involvement has been:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youth Chairman Royal Canadian Legion Pickering branch</li> <li>• Founder of Pickering-Ajax Public Library Science Fair</li> <li>• Past board director and facilitator of Center for Leadership and Innovation</li> <li>• Pickering Cultural Fusion fashion show coordinator and host</li> <li>• Community liaison working with Indigenous communities to educate and support their cause</li> <li>• Co-organizer of frontline Worker Appreciation Parade</li> <li>• University of Toronto Tamil Chair Youth initiative coordinator</li> </ul>






			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair/organizer of frontline workers care packages</li> <li>• Organizer of community tree planting initiatives for many years</li> <li>• Coordinator of clothes, food and hygienic products drive for homeless shelters during pandemic</li> </ul> <p><b>Our community is calling for a fresh face that can bring a strong voice for Pickering and that is exactly what I can bring:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A mindset for setting strategic plans</li> <li>• Responsible development along Kingston Road, safer streets and protecting our cherished waterfront and trails</li> <li>• Championing the unique needs of our seniors, youth and children</li> <li>• Creating jobs by bringing in large corporate companies to Pickering, supporting and encouraging small businesses in Pickering.</li> </ul> <p>And a strong sense of fiscal management to service our needs today and our growth for tomorrow</p>
<b>ROBINSON, LISA</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	<p>Lisa is a true warrior of the people who is willing and ready to lead the people of Pickering as their ward one city councilor. Her strong and resilient willpower started at an early age which has enabled her to help families for over 20 years in Real Estate. Besides that, her passion in matters of Law and Politics further fueled her to become a paralegal because the rampant corruption she witnessed in her community gave her sleepless nights.</p> <p>Lisa's burning desire to protect the people of Pickering and its environment have all been pieces of the puzzle that have joined to form, shape, and create a whole picture of her ultimate intentions. With unmatched expertise, she strikes a delicate balance between her professional life as a paralegal, real estate negotiation expert, and published author and her community expectations as a philanthropist, community advocate, source of inspiration, and most importantly as a proud mother to a teenager.</p> <p>Her consistent link with the immediate community has resulted in running charities namely Robinson Halloween Haunt and corn Maze and Project Humanity and volunteers as Vice Chair on the parent's committee at the local Catholic school. Lisa is an individual who cares for others in her community, volunteers for the good of the community, and has a firm stand on what a public servant should be. In addition to that, she strongly believes in always doing the right thing to uplift the community standards towards a better version of itself.</p> <p>Lisa also has an active social life as she enjoys activities such as golf, scuba diving, martial arts, tennis, skiing, swimming, and public speaking all of which strengthen her bond with the community as she interacts with others. Being a founder of Liberty Legal Services Professional Corporation, she has really offered practical leadership skills to her co-workers as far as leadership is concerned. She is a leader who knows the way, shows the way, and goes the way with unshakable integrity in all that she does daily.</p> <p>The people of Pickering need a leader not only who is politically driven but also one who identifies with their daily struggles and a leader who is able to walk the talk and do something tangible to improve the ongoing situation in the community. No leader encompasses all these except Lisa Robinson, one of their own.</p>
<b>RODRIGUES, PETER</b>		<b>REGION 3</b>	
<b>SARDAR, AYESHA</b>		<b>WARD 2</b>	
<b>SLOAN, KAREN</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	

			
<b>SOBERS, DONNA</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	
<b>SOLIGO, JEANINE</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	My family and I have been Pickering residents for the past 16 years. My husband and I have been married for 34 years and we have two wonderful adult children. I graduated from York University with a B.A. and B.Ed. I believe in community and the importance of having the voices of the people who live in our city heard. I want to invest in Pickering and make a positive contribution for the generations to come. In my spare time, I love to garden, read, and write
<b>SRITHARAN, DARSHAN</b>		<b>WARD 3</b>	<p>Darshan Sritharan is a mortgage professional widely recognized for his dedication and passion for helping others. He strongly believes in the importance of consistency and going the extra mile to ensure the best results are delivered. Born and raised in Scarborough, Darshan values diversity and recognizes the importance of remaining personable, as everyone comes from a unique walk of life. Being the son of immigrant parents himself, Darshan is familiar with the struggle many families encounter when moving to a new country and the barriers they face. He has always remained open to supporting friends, families and colleagues in their various pursuits- often taking on the role of a mentor. Sharing the knowledge he has gained from his experiences is a crucial principle Darshan upholds, as he strongly believes in effective collaboration.</p> <p>Darshan is also a director of The Connecting GTA Foundation recently spearheading projects such as the Remembrance Day rally which raised \$11,000 for Canadian Legion offices across the GTA.</p> <p>His dedication to making a difference in peoples' lives and his community has been consistent throughout his career and will be a standard that he holds himself to when serving his constituents. Candidate for Pickering City Councillor Ward 3</p>
<b>STRANGE, GARY</b>		<b>REGION 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resident of Pickering since 1993, resident of Ward 2 since 1997.</li> <li>• Born and raised in Scarborough, achieved BBA (Honors) from Wilfrid Laurier University.</li> <li>• Fellow of the Insurance Institute of Canada, employed in Insurance Industry continuously since 1986</li> <li>• Proud father to Carolyn and Elizabeth, will celebrate 31 years of marriage to Connie during this campaign</li> <li>• Ajax Pickering Board of Trade (APBOT)– 2012 President/2013 Chair/Founding member of the Eco-Business Task Force/long-term member of Government Relations Committee/current member of Transportation Task Force</li> <li>• Rotary Club of Pickering – past Treasurer</li> <li>• Pickering Easter Parade – past Co-Chair</li> <li>• Durham West Arts Centre Foundation – Vice Chair 2013-present</li> <li>• City of Pickering Museum Village Advisory Committee member 2017-2018</li> <li>• Wounded Warriors Canada – current ambassador</li> </ul> <p>Pickering Ice Rockets/Ajax Ice Waves synchronized skating teams – past Synchro Chair</p>
<b>TURNER, GEORGE</b>		<b>WARD 2</b>	<p>I retired from Ontario Power Generation in 2018 as the Director, Nuclear Controllership overseeing an annual Operating and Capital budget of approximately \$ 1.0 billion.</p> <p>I have a Bachelor of Mathematics degree from the University of Waterloo and spent my entire career in the accounting/finance sector of public and private enterprises.</p> <p>My skills include Business and Project planning, Business Process improvement,</p>




			Leadership, Mentoring and Coaching, Strategic Planning and Monitoring.
<b>VALOOKARAN, TOMY</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DCDSB</b>	
<b>VAN ROOY, NANCY</b>		<b>WARD 2</b>	
<b>WILLIAMS, DAMIAN</b>		<b>WARD 3</b>	<p>I have lived in Pickering for 16 years, in Ward 3 specifically . As a Paralegal graduate from Durham College, I have lived a life focused on accountability and representation in the legal system. I believe that community engagement and growth is important, so I do my best to improve the community I reside in. If I am elected to City Council, you can expect me to advocate for you and your needs, the same way I have been advocating for my clients and at-risk youth through my work and volunteering. Pickering is such a great place, and if you vote for me this election, you can expect a long term commitment to you and your communities.</p>
<b>YACUB, ANTHONY</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	<p>I am a Small Business Owner of a Family-Run Medical Centre in Scarborough. I am a proud resident in Ward 1 and I am proudly involved in the sports community, specifically with basketball and soccer. I am Economist with Banking Experience and have my Degree in Economics from York University.</p> <p>I have taken part in the following organizations and associations in the community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sharelife</li> <li>• St. Francis' Table</li> <li>• Durham Region Board of Approved Basketball Officials (Vice-President)</li> <li>• United Way</li> <li>• Ontario Soccer</li> </ul> <p>I am a big advocate to secure the future of our aging population by tackling youth unemployment and attracting jobs to create opportunities for high-quality jobs that have high indirect and direct job creation associated with it. I went to Brebeuf College in Toronto.</p> <p>I promise to all constituents I am driven, passionate, and have the energy to fix the very small asks of Constituents in our Ward to make your lives easier on a micro and macro, City level.</p>







## *Issues by constituency*



<b>ASHE, KEVIN</b>		<b>MAYOR</b>	
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<b>BLAIR, JAMES</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	
<b>BRENNER, MAURICE</b>		<b>REGION 1</b>	<p>3 Key issues:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Affordability- Reducing Residential Tax Burden and obtainable Housing</li> <li>2. Balanced approach to Development and Intensification without compromising infrastructure and quality of life</li> </ol> <p>Community Safety/Community</p>
<b>BUTT, SHAHEEN</b>		<b>WARD 3</b>	
<b>COOK, LINDA</b>		<b>REGION 2</b>	
<b>COURTIS, MICHAEL</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	
<b>CROTEAU, SHERRY</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	<p>My priorities are student achievement, facility improvements and overall student experience. For students across Pickering to succeed they must have equitable access to a safe, clean and welcoming school environment and be provided with the needed technology, mental health supports, programming and extra-curricular activities.</p> <p>All people deserve to be heard and valued. I will champion policies of inclusion and equity and reject intolerance in all its forms. I will listen and</p>



			learn from others and take action to defend those who experience discrimination.
<b>CUNNINGHAM, EMMA</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	<p>The three biggest issues are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Equity</b>, particularly when it comes to students with special needs who require educational assistants or other staff. Understaffing these areas stops many students from success. Equity also becomes a problem when it comes to schools fund raising to make up for the lack of funds from the provincial government. Students in richer areas have access to additional resources since they are fund raising from people with more money to give. We need to do something to even this out so every child has access to the same high-quality education complete with all the necessary tools.</li> <li>2. <b>Bullying</b>. While there is an excellent zero-tolerance policy written, in practice, bullying complaints often go nowhere if the behaviour isn't personally witnessed by a staff member. When students eat alone with only occasional checks but a lunchroom supervisor, how can this behaviour be observed and corrected? Most bullies are facing some sort of hardship that causes them to lash out – and addressing the root cause of their unhappiness requires a thorough investigation as well as both discipline and understanding.</li> </ol> <p><b>Accountability</b>. Firing the ethics commissioner while an investigation was</p>



			<p>occurring looks terrible. Either the Board needed to come forward publicly as to why the ethics commissioner must be replaced, or allow the investigation occurring to take place. The Board cannot hide behind closed doors</p>
<b>CURRIE, DAVID</b>		<b>WARD 2</b>	
<b>FRAMPTON, JANICE</b>		<b>MAYOR</b>	
<b>FRANCIS, MICHELLE LEONG</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	
<b>HAROLD, TONY</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Development: Many residents are concerned with the plan for development, particularly in the Kingston Road corridor. If elected, I will seek to maintain and preserve our existing communities, and plan for future, responsible growth.</li> <li>2. Property Taxes: Our taxes are high. If elected, I will ensure that budgets are fiscally prudent and that tax revenues are well invested in our community, holding any tax increases to an absolute minimum.</li> <li>3. Accountability and Transparency: Residents expect a City government that is open, receptive, transparent and accountable in their dealings. To that end, if elected, I will advocate for an environment that embodies openness, transparency and accountability.</li> </ol>




<b>HAYES, TOM</b>		<b>REGION 1</b>	
<b>HIGDON, EILEEN</b>		<b>REGION 2</b>	
<b>KAZI, ZEYNAB</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	<p>The issues for Ward 1 are:</p> <p>Most residents (including myself) are most concerned about the following 3 issues:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Planning surrounding approved development.</li> <li>2. Preservation of our nature and our existing wonderful communities!</li> <li>3. Neighbourhood safety and social services.</li> </ol>
<b>LINTON, STEPHEN</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	<p>The three issues facing the Durham Public school Board as far as hearing from students, parents and educators the reoccurring themes have been:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– mental health supports for students</li> <li>– transparency and communication during and after a crisis</li> <li>– compensation for teachers and support staff being reflective of the work</li> </ul>
<b>MARANI, AL</b>		<b>REGION 2</b>	
<b>McCAFFERTY, JAMES</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DCDSB</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ to ensure that the quality of our children’s education, their mental health, and special needs are not compromised by Ministry</li> </ul>





			<p>funding, initiatives, regulations, etc. or by Covid-19 restrictions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ to develop strategies and programs that encourage the optimum development of ALL students &amp; promote their well-being – spiritually, intellectually, socially, emotionally, and physically - no matter their background or ethnic heritage.</li> </ul> <p>to support all current school and community-based programs that promote the positive development of our youth. This includes our Board’s Safe School Initiatives, Conflict Resolution, Code of Conduct, Anti-Racism and Indigenous Committees, our Children’s Foundation, and after school programs.</p>
<b>McGILLAN, FRANK</b>		<b>WARD 2</b>	
<b>NAGY, MARA</b>		<b>WARD 2</b>	<p>There are many issues that plague residents, from federal concerns, to provincial concerns, and of course, municipal concerns. Of the municipal concerns, the three biggest that keep coming out among residents are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The importance of protecting our waterfront and green spaces (protection of the East Shore waterfront from development and privatisation, as well as safe decisions for the nuclear plant made with city officials and employees in mind),</li> <li>2. Intensification along Kingston Road (specifically ensuring that development is done mindfully, in a climate-friendly way, and that the city</li> </ol>

			<p>infrastructure such as sewage, electrical, etc. as well as schools and stores are all developed alongside), and</p> <p>3. Transportation and infrastructure development (such as overhauling and redesigning our transit infrastructure in Pickering to move towards greener vehicles, and to encourage more people to take public transit, as well as ensuring there are enough parking lots and spots to accompany whatever new development comes along)."</p>
<b>NAQVI, ALI</b>		<b>WARD 3</b>	
<b>NAZAR, BRADLEY</b>		<b>MAYOR</b>	
<b>PETERS, TERENCE</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DCDSB</b>	
<b>PICKLES, DAVE</b>		<b>REGION 3</b>	<p>Issues</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. that growth will be too much and too quick</li> <li>2. there is not enough infrastructure or recreational opportunities</li> <li>3. concerned about property taxes</li> </ol>
<b>RAJASINGHAM, RAVEENA</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	
<b>ROBINSON, LISA</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1./ Property Tax Cuts</li> <li>2./ Place Pickering resident's interests above all else</li> <li>3./ Protect Pickering's environment by stopping urban sprawl,</li> </ol>

			<p>My Commitment to you....</p> <p>Life has been terribly hard over the past few years for everybody, and now more than ever, you need a leader who will make YOU a priority, above all else. My commitment to you as your Ward One City Councillor is to improve the quality of life for you and your family while putting money back into your pocket. You deserve to be represented by someone who will always have your back and who will never stop fighting for you. This is and will remain my commitment to you.</p>
<b>RODRIGUES, PETER</b>		<b>REGION 3</b>	<p>There are many more than 3 important issues in Ward 3. A collection of them can be found at <a href="https://www.yourvoicepickering.com/info-cards/">https://www.yourvoicepickering.com/info-cards/</a> . The can be grouped in many ways:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) a real lack of full engagement with residents, in which sadly, the Council ignores input from residents!</li> <li>2) Council follows what land developers want.</li> <li>3) The result is poor planning and urban sprawl and the elimination of vital local food land.</li> </ol>
<b>SARDAR, AYESHA</b>		<b>WARD 2</b>	<p>There will always be challenges and we will find solutions together. There are a lot of issues that we have come across which are affecting ward 2 residents. Listing a few for your reference</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Property taxes</li> <li>2. Paid parking on Liverpool</li> </ol>

			<p>Waterfront 2. Condo development</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Lack of parks</li> <li>4. Lack of accessible parks</li> <li>5. Transit system</li> <li>6. Lack of businesses and jobs</li> <li>7. Lack of proper healthcare system</li> <li>8. Better senior homes and improving the current one</li> </ol> <p>Better infrastructure on Reytan etc. <i>Team Ayesha</i></p>
<b>SLOAN, KAREN</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	
<b>SOBERS, DONNA</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DDSB</b>	
<b>SOLIGO, JEANINE</b>		<b>WARD 1</b>	<p>When speaking to residents in Ward 1, the following three issues were a recurring theme:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Development in Pickering, specifically the current proposal of the intensification of the Kingston Road Corridor and the effect that this will have on the community, small businesses and infrastructure. I am committed to community-driven growth and prioritizing a liveable Pickering over self-serving development.</li> <li>2. A desire for transparency and accountability in city governance. I believe in</li> </ol>

			<p>creating policies that hold all stakeholders accountable and ensure transparency in the political process.</p> <p>3. The high property taxes Pickering. I will work to ensure current tax income is used in a responsible way and encourage industry and business to make Pickering their home</p>
<b>SRITHARAN, DARSHAN</b>		<b>WARD 3</b>	<p>Issues in the riding:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.) Lack of infrastructure planning as development continues at record paces</li> <li>2.) Lack of engagement with residents by current councillors.</li> <li>3.) Residents are concerned that protected lands are vulnerable to being sold off to developers</li> </ol>
<b>STRANGE, GARY</b>		<b>REGION 2</b>	<p>Issues in Riding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development exceeding supporting infrastructure</li> <li>• Parking, both at Nautical Village and on residential streets</li> </ul> <p>Communication</p>
<b>TURNER, GEORGE</b>		<b>WARD 2</b>	<p>High Property taxes Intensification along Hwy 2 Attracting businesses to the City</p> <p>Notwithstanding, specific Ward 2 issues include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Walnut Lane expansion</li> <li>2. Parking issues along the waterfront</li> </ol> <p>Vehicle speeding along side streets and Regional roads.</p>
<b>VALOOKARAN, TOMY</b>		<b>TRUSTEE, DCDSB</b>	

			
VAN ROOY, NANCY		WARD 2	
WILLIAMS, DAMIAN		WARD 3	
YACUB, ANTHONY		WARD 1	<p>This campaign cannot be simplified into a simple slogan or a one-priority election, it has many symptomatic concerns which revolve around one core root cause issue:</p> <p><b>Infrastructure.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lack of Sustainable Community Infrastructure</li> </ul> <p>Many residents are not opposed to the idea of Development or the Kingston Road Intensification Project, housing is needed and residents just want to see a clear benefit to them without interference in their quality of life.</p> <p>Our existing residents are being neglected: overhead power lines, lack of photo radars in community safe zones, taxation being increased without any clear advantage to them as taxpayers.</p> <p>Rather than diversifying necessary services like grocery stores and pharmacies to new developments communities like Seaton, council has</p>

			<p>decided to increase lanes on Whites Road which only make the problems worse in Amberlea of speeding in community safety and school zones as they try to go to their closest Metro, Pharmacy, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental Concerns &amp; Community Heritage</li> </ul> <p>Our Ward has two beautiful conservation areas: Rouge National Park &amp; Petticoat Creek in which we are splitting the environment along the waterfront by continued development. If we would like to build more, we need to do it in a sustainable manner by reducing noise pollution and allowing for animal habitats to migrate easily between these two areas. This is their home as well, and I want to be able to co-habit as it is mutually beneficial for our children to witness nature, animals, and birds while growing up as it adds to their quality of life</p>
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## ***Messages from some candidates . . .***



### **Tony Harold**

Ward 1 Councillor candidate, writes:

To help update VOTERS, I would like to explain the following issues:

#### **ISSUES**

- a. Property Taxes
- b. Development
- c. Accountability and Transparency

#### **PLATFORM/POLICIES**

- a. Fiscally Prudent Property Taxation
- b. Responsible Development
- c. Accountability and Transparency
- d. Community Safety
- e. Infrastructure Investment

#### **FINAL WORD**

Municipal government affects each of us more in our daily lives than other levels of government. Exercising our *right to vote is crucial* so that the best possible candidate is elected and can serve their constituents well. Voting for ***Tony Harold*** will ensure that the necessary and essential actions are undertaken to provide for a bright, prosperous future for both our city and its residents.

Thank you.

*Tony Harold*

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## **Jeanine Soligo**

Ward 1 Councillor candidate

Jeanine writes:

### **ISSUES**

These are the issues in the riding based on what residents are telling me as I meet them:

1. Development in Pickering, specifically the current proposal of the intensification of the Kingston Road Corridor and the effect that this will have on the community, small businesses and infrastructure.
2. A desire for transparency and accountability in city governance.
3. The high property taxes Pickering.

### **PLATFORM/POLICIES**

1. I am committed to community-driven growth, prioritizing a liveable Pickering over self-serving development.
2. I believe in creating policies that hold all stakeholders accountable and ensure transparency in the political process.
3. I will work to ensure current tax income is used in a responsible way and encourage industry and business to make Pickering their home.

### **FINAL WORDS**

If elected, I am committed to making the people of Pickering the priority. I will work hard, be honest and open, doing my utmost to represent the residents of

Ward 1 and our city.

Sincerely,

*Jeanine Soligo*

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**Ayesha Sardar**

Ward 2, city councillor candidate

Ayesha writes

### **ISSUES**

1. Property taxes
2. Paid parking on Liverpool Waterfront
3. Condo development
4. Lack of parks & Accessible parks
5. Lack of businesses and jobs
6. Lack of proper healthcare system
7. Better senior homes and improving the current ones
8. Better infrastructure on Reytan

### **PLATFORM**

1. Rationalized property taxes
2. Sustainable all-round development
3. Prosperity for all
4. Cleaner and greener Pickering

### **FINAL WORD**

We need fresh eyes and new perspectives with ambitious goals to create new opportunities for Pickering to stimulate the economy which in turn can increase jobs and new prospects.

Regards,



**Gary Strange**  
Regional Ward 2

Gary writes

#### **ISSUES IN RIDING**

- Development exceeding supporting infrastructure
- Parking, both at Nautical Village and on residential streets
- Communication with residents

#### **PLATFORM POLICIES**

- increase investment in transportation and infrastructure
- support Performing and Visual Arts centre and City Centre project
- assist small businesses with post pandemic recovery

#### **FINAL WORD**

- I have proven my ability to advocate for those I've served in both my professional and volunteer roles. It would be my honour and privilege to serve you as the next Regional Councillor for Ward 2.

# BILLBOARD

## A STRONG COMMUNITY VOICE

- Effective Advocacy for Ward 1 Residents for over 27 Years
- 1.9% Lowest Average Tax in a Decade
- \$525 Property Tax Credit to Eligible Seniors and Persons with Disabilities
- Community Safety/Safe Streets Initiatives
- Implemented Rotary Frenchman's Bay Park Plan including Permanent All Season Washroom
- Winter Maintenance Waterfront Trail (2023)

VOTE **OCTOBER 17 - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Elect**   
**Maurice Brenner**  
Regional Councillor, Ward 1



## YOUR PRIORITIES ARE MY PRIORITIES

- Affordability for housing and Reducing Residential Tax Burden
- A balanced approach to Development and Intensification without compromising infrastructure and quality of Life
- Supporting Local Businesses and Jobs
- Solutions to Gridlock
- Maintaining and Protecting our Environment
- New Animal Shelter (2023)
- Transparency and Accountability
- Protecting the Community Character of Pickering and its Existing Neighbourhoods

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Regional Councillor, Ward 1

On October 24th Vote

# Emma Cunningham

FOR DDSB TRUSTEE



## If elected, I promise to:

- Fiercely advocate for your child's right to learn and succeed
- Ensure wealth distribution of school council funding so no child goes without resources
- Develop plan to follow through on bullying policies that already exist but aren't being utilized

## Meet Emma

Emma Cunningham is a mom of two. She is a communications professional who cuts straight to the point. She doesn't just look at behaviour, she looks at the why behind it, because the why is what helps enact change.

She is a proud supporter of teachers and has spent time as an ally on the picket lines. She's also dedicated member of Pickering's community and spends a lot of time volunteering.



Principled. Proven. Progressive.

# ELECT Tony HAROLD

City Councillor, Ward 1, Pickering

**Time for Change!**

**ELECT Tony HAROLD for:**

- **Responsible Taxation:**  
Ensure that budgets are fiscally prudent and that tax revenues are well invested in our community. Hold any tax increases to an absolute minimum.
- **Community Safety:**  
Advocate for greater community, road and pedestrian safety in our neighbourhoods.
- **Infrastructure Investment:**  
Support infrastructure development to maintain and preserve our existing communities, and plan for future, responsible growth.
- **Business Development:**  
Principled, sound and economically feasible planning to attract greater business investment in our city and help stabilize residential property taxes.
- **Accountability and Transparency:**  
Ensure openness, transparency and accountability within our city government.

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# ELECT Tony HAROLD

City Councillor, Ward 1, Pickering

**Time for Change**

- 47-year Pickering resident, 41 years in Ward 1.
- Graduate of Dunbarton High School (Provincial Scholar) and the University of Toronto (B.Sc. Hons. Economics).
- Strong business acumen gained through over 30 years of controlling expenses and balancing budgets.
- **Passionate about his community:**
  - Chair, South Rosebank Safe Streets Initiative
  - Neighbourhood Watch Street Captain
  - Pickering Terry Fox Run Committee member
  - Durham Region Walk for Muscular Dystrophy volunteer
  - Founding board member of the Durham Regional Crime Stoppers program
  - Successful in obtaining 24-hour ambulance service in our City
- Tony enjoys spending time in the community with his family and is an avid runner. He resides in South Rosebank with his wife Janice and son Alex.



"I've known Tony for over 35 years. He is a strong supporter of both community and public safety, and is the best choice for City Councillor."  
*Staff Sergeant Sandy Ryrie,  
Durham Regional Police (Ret.)*



"Tony has been a member of the organizing committee for the Pickering Terry Fox Run for over 14 years. He is a highly dependable and committed member of our committee and works hard to ensure each run is a success."  
*Michael Leclair,  
Volunteer Co-Ordinator  
Pickering Terry Fox Run*

VOTE



# STEPHEN LINTON

FOR DDSB TRUSTEE PICKERING

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SLINTONFORTRUSTEE



Meet Stephen Linton: A trusted and action-oriented community leader centered in listening, equity, and transparency

### ABOUT ME

As a Pickering resident for the past 20 years and father of two, I am proud to be seeking the office of Durham District School Board (DDSB) trustee for the City of Pickering. My two children, one entering postsecondary in the fall and the other in elementary school, serve as my greatest inspiration on this journey.

### MY EXPERIENCE

- 15 Years of Community Development experience at the municipal level
- 14 Years supporting and advocating for safer communities
- Chairperson: Pickering Library Anti-Black Racism Working Group
- Committee Member: Durham Catholic School Board Anti-Black Racism Taskforce
- Durham Youth Violence prevention sub-committee

### MY PRIORITIES

- Increased mental health supports for students
- Increased resources to support students with special needs
- A comprehensive strategy that prioritizes Equity, Diversity and Inclusion
- Coordinated efforts to address the roots of youth violence to create safer learning environments
- Equitable and safer work spaces for education workers
- Collaborative approaches to address discrimination and inequities towards Black, Indigenous, Racialized and LGTBQIA2S+ students

It is important to amplify and unify diverse voices, thoughts, and ideas to achieve the true potential of our children. Working together we can provide a safe, inclusive and thoughtful environment for the students of today and tomorrow. I encourage all residents to make sure they are on the voters list by visiting [voterlookup.ca](http://voterlookup.ca). This is an important first step to ensuring your voice is heard by casting your vote for school board trustee. To get involved or learn more about my plans for our school district you can visit [www.stephenlinton.ca](http://www.stephenlinton.ca) or email [vote@stephenlinton.ca](mailto:vote@stephenlinton.ca)

Vote online: October 17th - October 24th 2022

Vote in-person: October 24th 2022





 **MARA NAGY**  
Ward 2 City Councillor Candidate

As your city councillor for Ward 2, Mara will fight for **affordability, community, transparency**, safety, and security.

She firmly believes in loving where you live and supporting local, because **when we work for those around us, we all win.**

**Vote Mara Nagy**  
for Ward 2 City Councillor!

[www.maranagy.com](http://www.maranagy.com)

**community  
transparency  
sustainability**



Authorized by the  
Mara Nagy Campaign

**Teacher. Essential Worker. Activist.**

Mara Nagy has spent her career fighting for equal access to opportunities for underserved voices. As a teacher and essential worker, she has seen first-hand the challenges our community has faced over the last four years, and as a PhD Candidate in community history and development, she is well-poised to support growth and development in mindful, sustainable, and community-oriented ways.

As an activist, Mara worked to repeal the wetlands MZO in south Pickering, stood with teachers and educators at the Rally for Education at Queen's Park, and joined workers at the picket lines, because everyone deserves a fair shot. She stands with residents, small businesses, and essential workers, as they struggle to have basic everyday needs met, like affordable taxes and a community in which they can thrive.

**Vote Mara Nagy for Ward 2 City Councillor!**

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**ELECT**

**Peter  
RODRIGUES**



There is currently farming on the **Federal Lands** in Ward 3. The original amount of expropriated land was the size of Ajax. Farmland is critical for our food supply. 319 acres of farmland disappear every day in Ontario. Some Pickering politicians are saying the Pickering land is airport lands. This is simply not true. There has never been a peer-reviewed study in the last 50 years to justify the many billions of dollars that would be wasted on an unnecessary airport. All the federal government studies (both Liberal and Conservative) reports conclude... There is **NO NEED** for an AIRPORT, not even in the near future. We need local farming for millions of people in the GTA area. The airport in Montreal (Mirabel) constructed 50 years ago under the same false reasoning, had its last passenger flight in 2004, and has had its terminal buildings torn down in 2014, because it would still not be needed 50 years later. People eat food every day. They don't need an unproven and costly airport every day.

There are **75 tall Condo Towers** being planned right now for Pickering. They will be mostly along Kingston Road. There is tremendous opposition from residents. As usual, most of the current Pickering councillors do not support the residents' many important concerns. If Pickering wants uncontrolled growth that favours the land developers' interests, there vast areas already assigned for development in the Seaton area in central Pickering. There are many legitimate problems with the 75 towers, from dramatic traffic increase concerns, to the impact on existing homes and businesses.

**Affordable Housing** needs to be a priority in development planning. This is important for all segments of society... for young families, and to accommodate the particular needs for housing for our seniors. These all have to be planned appropriately for what is best for their lifestyle and health care.

A **Lobbying Registry** was voted against in Pickering! Why?

In April of 2021 City Council in Pickering voted against the creation of a Lobbying Registry for the City of Pickering. Part of the Motion reads: "... public office holders and the public should be able to know who is attempting to influence the decisions of municipal government ...".

Why would a City Council vote against that?

Pickles and Butt your councillors in Ward 3 voted **NO !**

Who donated money to city council in Pickering? How much was given?

Go to my campaign website [YourVoicePickering.com](http://YourVoicePickering.com) to see the link for more details.

Yes, building a **Hospital** would be great in Pickering, but there is no justification for locating it on extremely sensitive environmental lands, especially when there are still 800 acres in a much better location in the Seaton area, which will need a local hospital. The wrong location only benefits the Land Developers.

Sources: [PickeringCouncilFor.Sale](http://PickeringCouncilFor.Sale) --- [OurPickering.ca](http://OurPickering.ca)

Land Developer money for me? ZERO \$0.  
No donations will be accepted

## KEEP THIS CARD

**Experience and Trust** I have a proven record of Experience and Trust. I was involved in Pickering politics, and supporting residents' concerns, long before I successfully ran as a candidate and was elected to Pickering Council and Durham Council.

**Property Taxes are Simply Too High** The biggest issue in Pickering is Property Taxes are simply too high! As a Regional Councillor, I continually voted against raising property taxes. I moved several motions each year to further reduce the budget expenditures, so that you would have more money in your pocket for your family's needs. Your property taxes should not keep increasing by more than your income, or more than the cost of living index.

**Community Engagement** Related to high property taxes is the lack of real Community Engagement. When only a few people are at the all-day Budget Committee meeting, and the vast majority of residents are completely unaware of it, then there is a real disconnection from true and meaningful community engagement. Sure, the city tries for some involvement with residents in the social aspects of life in Pickering, but when it comes to critical matters involving property developments and financial budgets, meaningful inclusion is lacking. Many residents feel that their councillors do not act in the best interests of their residents. I have seen many Council meetings where residents express their desires, but realize that councillors ignore their concerns.

**Community Advocate** I have a solid record of representing the interests of residents, as a Community Advocate and serving the community's needs. Unlike most councillors, I was available **full-time** to serve and assist residents with all matters and concerns, as before, it will be my primary focus again.

**Accountability and Transparency** Some members of council have become too complacent. There should be **Term Limits**, as well as a **Recall** mechanism for removing Councillors, who say one thing to get elected, and then don't act in accordance with the demands of their residents. I will be bringing forward many positive motions in Council to hold our representatives accountable. We need to have **Recorded Votes** on all matters, so that you can know easily how your councillors voted on all matters. Councillor expenses should be much more readily visible.

Did you know that only about 30% of residents vote!  
Your Vote can make a huge difference, and is very important for protecting Pickering.

**Your Voice for a Better Pickering**

**PETER RODRIGUES**

REGIONAL COUNCILLOR WARD 3

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**ELECT** ✓

Ayesha  
**SARDAR**



**Pickering City Councillor Ward - 2**

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Pickering City Councillor Ward - 2

**ELECT** ✓

**Ayesha**  
**SARDAR**



➤ **RATIONALIZE PROPERTY TAXES**

Reduce impact of unreasonably high property taxes

➤ **SUSTAINABLE ALL-ROUND DEVELOPMENT**

More healthcare centres, better care homes for seniors, affordable housing, transportation - not just condos!

➤ **PROSPERITY FOR ALL**

Attracting investment and jobs to Pickering

➤ **CLEANER AND GREENER PICKERING**

Promote environmentally friendly policies and legislation

[www.ayeshasardar.ca](http://www.ayeshasardar.ca)



# ANTHONY YACUB

WARD 1 CITY COUNCILLOR



## **Protecting Our Community**

*Sustainable Infrastructure Investments prior to building Residential High-Rises  
Respecting Environmental Wetlands and Quality of Life for Residents*



## **Standing Up for our Fixed-Income Seniors**

*Increasing the Senior Property Tax Rebate aligned with the Cost of Living  
Accessibility for all seniors regardless of Income*



## **Securing the Future by Encouraging Youth Employment**

*Small Business Start-Up Innovation Zones with Tax Incentives for Pickering Residents  
Services proportionally distributed throughout the City*



## **Accountable Governance**

*Public Disclosure of my Personal Schedule and Meetings  
Responsive to Constituent Inquiries*

# **RESPECT FOR TAXPAYERS**

## My Experience

*Economist and Small Business Owner of AAA Wellness and Rehab Inc.*

*Bachelor of Arts in Economics*

*Experience in the Banking Sector*

## Community Involvement

*Vice President of Durham Basketball Officials*

*Volunteer at ShareLife, St. Francis' Table, United Way CN Tower Run, AMEX Cares*

*Conservative Party EDA Vice-President*

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**REMEMBER TO VOTE  
FOR ANTHONY YACUB  
TO BE YOUR NEXT CITY  
COUNCILLOR ON  
OCTOBER 24TH!**

**LET'S MOVE PICKERING  
FORWARD, *TOGETHER!***

## **Word Power: . . .**

Curate your vocabulary with these election related terms:

1. **incumbent**

- a) Current holder of the office
- b) Tuxedo apparel worn around the waist
- c) Inflammation at a joint reducing inflexibility

2. **constituency**

- a) Heavier than average resident living in tight quarters
- b) Region or area resident to eligible voters
- c) Very broad fraudulent financial scheme on the Internet

3. **electorate**

- a) Betting odds as displayed on horse racing form.
- b) Industrial device used to elevate heavy objects.
- c) Term referring to all eligible voters within a voting area.

4. **platform**

- a) Stage constructed used for theatrical performances.
- b) Accumulation of collection of political promises.

c) An odourless gas used by dentist as anesthetic in surgery.

5. **gerrymander**

a) Heavily-feathered goose native to southern Bavaria.

b) Waterproof boot worn by Newfoundland fisherman.

c) Electoral boundary manipulated to favour one party.

6. **ballot**

a) Styrofoam card used to divide cake baking sections.

b) Voting process, typically in secret.

c) A heavy weight used for stabilization of ocean-going vessels.

7. **cast**

a) Action performed by voters on election day.

b) Motion made by outdoorsman to scatter bothersome gnats

c) List of ingredients used is a recipe.

8. **candidate**

a) Sweet fruit most often imported from Morocco.

b) The more romantic partner in courtship.

c) Nominee campaigning for votes in an election.

9. **enumeration**

a) Process used to block nuisance phone callers.

- b) Process for establishing a list of eligible voters.
- c) Process used to butcher to prepare carcasses for retailers.

10. **census**

- a) A denomination collection in Australian currency.
- b) Normally humans have five.
- c) Survey to record demographic details of a particular region.

11. **poll**

- a) Elevated structure used to transport hydro-electricity.
- b) Survey or record of opinions or voter preference.
- c) A resident or citizen of Poland.

12. **referendum**

- a) Voting process to determine electorate preference.
- b) Process used for defining dictionary terms.
- c) Concluding refrain delineating in a poetic stanza.

13. **bureaucrat**

- a) An oversized desk used by corporate executives.
- b) Government or department official.
- c) Scottish rodent borrowing under peat acerages.

14. **suffrage**

- a) A chronic pain suffered by an arthritic patient.
- b) Having the right to vote.
- c) Disability associated with age.

**15. advocate**

- a) Promoter of a particular cause or policy.
- b) Prescription drugs used to alleviate inflammation.
- c) Practitioner of jurisprudence and legalities.

**ANSWERS**

1.A, 2.B, 3.C, 4.B, 5.C, 6.B, 7.A, 8.C, 9.B, 10.C, 11.B, 12.A, 13.B, 14.B, 15.A

**Word Search: . . .**

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## ***LETTERS and COMMENTS...***

I just finished reading the August newsletter. EXCELLENT editorial, and I particularly enjoyed the Fermo Report. Thank you for taking all this time to write to inform and entertain us. **NG**

[Comments and letters can be sent to zippyonego@gmail.com](mailto:zippyonego@gmail.com)

*Stay healthy, safe and wear your mask.  
Best,*

*Richard*  & *Fermo*   
*and the "Boss"*

BOOKz, COOKz, NOOKz



The banner features a green background with the text "VOTE it counts! September" in red and yellow. On the left, there are small cartoon characters. On the right, there is a box with a red checkmark and the text "Elections PICKERING VOTER Information". Below the banner is a navigation bar with links: HOME, BOOKz, COOKz, NOOKz, OPINIONz, ELECTIONS PICKERING.

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***PICKERING PEOPLE***  
**(unique residents)**