

IELECT Candidate Questionnaire

IELECT Hamilton is asking every candidate for Council to complete this online questionnaire to provide residents with information regarding your campaign platform.

Please complete the following questionnaire. IELECT Hamilton will post your unedited responses on our website. The questionnaire is structured using the six priorities identified in our research of municipalities across Canada.

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Running for: *

Mayor

Councillor

If councillor, which ward are you running in:

- Ward 1
- Ward 2
- Ward 3
- Ward 4
- Ward 5
- Ward 6
- Ward 7
- Ward 8
- Ward 9
- Ward 10
- Ward 11
- Ward 12
- Ward 13
- Ward 14
- Ward 15

Which ward do you currently reside in: *

Ward 1

Ward 2

Ward 3

Ward 4

Ward 5

Ward 6

Ward 7

Ward 8

Ward 9

Ward 10

Ward 11

Ward 12

Ward 13

Ward 14

Ward 15

Other:

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I - Infrastructure

A Leader who inclusively improves Hamilton's neighbourhoods, parks, playgrounds, roads, bridges, community centres, and waste water treatment facilities.

1. What three things are you most concerned about and would like to see changed as they relate to Hamilton's current infrastructure needs? *

Roads- Our roads consistently rate among the worst in the province. We need to hold contractors accountable, implement a rating system for them, improve preventative maintenance and implement the auditors recommendations.

Waste water - We can never allow an incident like sewergate again. The cost to the enviroment and the community is more than we can afford to bear. Estimates are exceeding \$150 Million for a complete clean up. We need to be honest, open and responsible

Parks and Playgrounds- These need to be safely updated, and added to as we grow. Ward 9 has seen immense growth and has not received its fair share in comparasion to the rest of the City.

2. As a councillor, what three actions would you propose to improve Hamilton's infrastructure? *

The Red Hill Expressway requires better lighting, gaurdrails and an expansion should be considered. There is currently a \$28 Million inquest due to the many roadway issues, which were hidden from residents and kept behind closed doors. This money could have been better spent on the roadway if not mismanaged. The LRT is well on its way and should be properly managed to assure it is done correctly and we do not see the same issues and straddle the taxpayer with any unnessary costs. Our Water Treatment plant needs upgrades and better monitoring of overflows and bypasses. The damage to the enviroment caused by sewergate is unprecented and again hidden from the residents.

E - Economy

A leader who strengthens the overall financial health and prosperity of Hamilton and all its diverse residents, through better and more secure jobs, a living wage, housing availability and affordability, and access to public services.

1. What three things are you most concerned about and would like to see changed as they relate to Hamilton's current economy? *

We are one of the highest taxed municipalities and our services and amenities do not reflect that. Council must be more responsible in managing the affairs of the City. Find and stop the waste and use the tax dollars to support the residents and their needs and meet their expectations. They need to get ahead of problems, find solutions and not have closed door meetings hiding reports hoping that things just get better. Costly mistakes reflect poorly on our great City.

2. As a councillor, what three actions would you propose to improve Hamilton's economy? *

1st we need to attract more businesses to our area, with this we would provide more jobs and reduce unemployment. This also provides a diverse business environment giving workers more choices at types of employment that may suit them better. 2nd we must improve transit, workers need to be able to use affordable public transit or be able to commute around the city with ease. 3rd Affordable housing, if we are providing jobs and transit people need an affordable place to live, incentives to builders and developers to provide these types of projects benefit us all. It helps address all of the issues the City is already facing and never tried to effectively solve.

L - Leadership

A leader who treats all residents with respect and dignity, pushes for transparency and good governance, inspires others through a bold vision, and takes innovative, equitable and evidence-based decisions to better serve all Hamiltonians.

1. What three things are you most concerned about and would like to see changed as they relate to Hamilton's current leadership at Council? *

1st The closed door secret meetings must stop. 2nd There are too many "Conflicts of Interests" 3rd Respect "shared constituency" The actions and decisions of any one affects all others. We must demonstrate the elements of a team and what teamwork can accomplish. I will bring honour and integrity to City Council

2. As a councillor, what three actions would you propose to improve the city' leadership? *

Like never before, we need relevant, authentic, and forward-thinking leaders. Building Relationships with each other, staff and the community. Good relationships and sound policy serve our community. Being an effective team player, being able to advocate for one's position while remaining open minded about the position of others. Work constructively with others without dominating the flow of information or ideas.

Leadership means listening carefully to others with a desire to understand concerns, ideas, and perspectives. Elected officials are expected to be accessible to the community through meetings and events, and by phone and email.

E - Environment

A leader who champions actions to address climate change to ensure a healthy, safe, and sustainable environment for all current and future Hamiltonians.

1. What three things are you most concerned about and would like to see changed as they relate to improving Hamilton's current environment? *

We better need to manage waste management, transportation, processing and disposal. The goal of sustainable waste management is to prevent as much waste as possible from going to the landfill. This can be accomplished by improving recycling programs or decreasing solid waste generation.

Increasing public transportation use is another method. In combination with efforts to electrify municipal fleets, this can significantly decrease emissions from single occupancy vehicles.

Investing in charging infrastructure and implementing incentive programs to encourage residents to switch to EVs.

2. As a councillor, what three actions would you propose to improve Hamilton's environment? *

While many of us are switching to electric vehicles, its vital that our cities do the same, primarily by building the charging infrastructure needed, both in city centre and in suburbs. Cities can also introduce financial incentives to increase take-up and introduce reserved parking spaces for electric vehicles.

It is hugely important that cities sustainably manage urban water supplies and improve and expand urban water infrastructure, by investing in 'smart water' solutions.

Energy inefficient buildings make a big contribution to climate change, and so it is important we make our buildings more carbon-efficient, or even better zero-carbon altogether. While redesigning and retrofitting buildings isn't cheap, it results in large emissions reductions, an important part of the mix of global climate actions

C - Community

A leader who fights for the needs of a diverse, equitable, and inclusive population and who improves community engagement so the voices of all Hamiltonians are heard.

1. What three things are you most concerned about and would like to see changed as they relate to supporting the needs of all communities in Hamilton? *

It is paramount we create safe spaces where groups can celebrate and seek out their cultural peers.

People must be represented through familiar cultural symbols in public spaces. When people do not see their values and preferences reflected in a place, they feel unwelcome. No community group's history should be erased from the physical and cultural reality of a public space.

Discrimination is real, and needs to be tackled by public space managers. Creating a positive, welcoming space through design and programming should be a top priority of planners and managers.

2. As a councillor, what three actions would you propose to support Hamilton's communities? *

Integrate many different types of uses as well as elements that bring people together--into plans and designs.

Public spaces can serve multiple communities. Markets, playgrounds, and parks on sites where they will border different communities is a proven way to increase the social diversity of public places.

We need to focus on neighborhoods. As a unit of planning, the neighborhood is the most important in terms of promoting social diversity and increasing social capital.

T - Transportation

A leader who supports safe, effective movement throughout the city for all Hamiltonians by ensuring access to equitable and affordable public transit, safe roads, sidewalks, bike lanes, and trails.

1. What three things are you most concerned about and would like to see changed as they relate to Hamilton's current transportation needs? *

As I mentioned earlier a switch to electric vehicles, its vital that our cities do the same, primarily by building the charging infrastructure needed, both in city centre and in suburbs.

Public transit need to be encouraged. Bus frequency, improved ticketing systems and increased passenger safety and comfort.

Buses need to expand through Ward 9, we need high quality public transport services that is reliable, frequent, fast, comfortable, accessible, convenient, affordable and safe.

2. As a councillor, what three actions would you propose to improve Hamilton's transportation systems? *

In our climate Ward 9 requires better sidewalk, bus shelter and amenity snow clearing. If we are to encourage use of public transit we need to make safe, clear of snow and debris. Garbage need to be cleaned, bins not overflowing and the areas where we are asking our residents to wait clean, safe and comfortable.

With the LRT well on its way Ward 9 requires fequent bus transporation throughout the ward. If area rating is on the table for the City to review Ward 9 requires much better service to consider a vote for change.

To make public transport an attractive and everyday choice for residents, cities must design the service well, and overcome physical and cultural barriers – particularly after the disruption of COVID-19. High quality public transport services are reliable, frequent, fast, comfortable, accessible, convenient, affordable and safe, serving routes for which there is demand.

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