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The Local Candidate Tracker

At The Local, we're building a one-stop shop for our readers to learn about the municipal election candidates: from bios, to prior experience, to stances on the key issues affecting the city. Below, you'll find a place to fill out your candidate information and then participate in our City Hall Simulator, a chance to share your stances on some of the key motions from this past City Council term. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to elections@thelocal.to.

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Identity verification: please enter the unique survey code included in your email. *

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Optional: Who you are

Alongside conducting our own research, we'd like to hear from you about who you are and why you're running. This section is optional. If you do not want to complete it, please leave the fields blank and click 'Submit' at the end.

Campaign Website

www.voterocco.ca

Official Candidate Social Media

twitter: @roccoltoronto insta:voterocco tik tok: voterocco

Please link to or provide us with a candidate bio:

Please note this bio will not be used verbatim in your candidate profile.

https://www.voterocco.ca/about

Please share any links relevant to the experience listed in your bio:

Why are you running for City Councillor?

To fix traffic and congestion, cleaner and safer streets , more greenspace and parks, and child care

Please link to or summarize your platform:

https://www.voterocco.ca/platform

If you were to run in affiliation with a major Canadian political party, which party would you align yourself with?

What is the first and most pressing issue you'd want to address if you were elected City Councillor?

Traffic and congestion, by levying a congestion fee for those who do not live or work in the ward.

What do you think is the biggest issue facing your ward?

Traffic and congestion

City Hall Simulator

To get a sense of your stances on issues affecting Toronto, we'd like to poll you on key votes members of city council have participated in over the last four years. Please indicate how you would've voted on the following. There is room at the end of this survey to leave comments if you'd like to build on any of your responses.

Name *

Rocco Achampong

Homelessness

Item GL23.13 - Rent 50 portable toilets and sinks for parks with encampments for a one year period (with the option of extension), at a cost of approximately $2.8 million. *

- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Item MM36.25 - Request a judicial inquiry into Toronto encampment clearings, including use of force, banning of journalists from attending the scene, and engagement with Toronto Police. *

- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Transportation

Item IE26.10 - Make ActiveTO bike lanes installed as a temporary measure to encourage safe transportation during the pandemic permanent. *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Item EX2.1, Motion 2c - Increase the proposed residential property tax rate by an additional 0.842%, thereby providing $25 million in funds to programs like a TTC fare freeze. *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Housing

Item EX1.1, Motion 3a - Ensure that half of all Housing Now (an initiative created to rezone and lease City-owned land for mixed-income, mixed-use development) residential units are deemed "affordable" by the City's definition (80% or less of average market rent), and that 20% of those affordable units are "deeply affordable" (40% or less of average market rent). *

- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Item EX1.1, Motion 7c - Prohibit rental prices of Housing Now residential units from being raised above the guideline set forth by the Ontario Tenancies Act, 2016, and ensure all Housing Now units are rentals. *

- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Policing

Item EX8.20 - Raise the 2019 police budget by $4.5 million in response to rising rates of gun violence in 2019. *

- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Item EX30.2, Motion 6b - Decrease the Toronto Police Services operating budget by $10 million and reallocate the money to increase Shelter Support and Housing Administration rent supplements. *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Taxes

Item EX2.5, Motion 2a - Explore the feasibility of a Personal Vehicle Tax like the one effective until January 2011, set at $60 per vehicle and totalling around $55 million in proceeds, which would go to TTC funding. *

- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Item EX2.1, Motion 1 - Increase the Residential Property Tax rate by an additional 2 percent, resulting in roughly an additional $50-60 million in funding. *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Environment

Item IE23.4 - Begin consultation on a possible stormwater charge to incentivize improved stormwater management practices on large properties. *

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

Item EX2.2 - Amend the industrial wastewater surcharge to make industrial polluters pay the full cost of the treatment of their wastewater *

- (•) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Prefer not to answer

If you have any additional comments, please feel free to share them here.

Affordability is the biggest city wide issue in Toronto, Taxes need not be raised in such a precarious environment. I have asked for a congestion fee charged in zones of high traffic in Spadina Fort York. It is estimated 2 billion dollars will be raised to fund all the programs identified above.

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