

Municipal Election 2022 - All Candidates Questionnaire

1. If elected, will you commit to the protection of Burlington greenspace and Halton farmland, including opposing the construction of Highway 413, and prioritizing the establishment of [complete, 15-minute communities](#) in your ward/throughout the city?

2. Transportation is the largest source of carbon emissions in Burlington, and currently accounts for over 40% of total emissions. Reducing emissions from this sector is an essential step to reach Burlington's goal of community carbon neutrality by 2050. If elected:

A) Will you support the changes and funding investments required to boost ridership (e.g. purchase more (electric) buses, enhance the frequency, range, reliability, density & directness) to make public transit an appealing and effective option in Burlington?

B) What specific actions will you take to make active transportation (cycling, walking, ...) an appealing and effective option in Burlington?

C) Will you support opportunities to increase and prioritize public EV chargers to ensure equitable distribution on City property across the community and with consideration of accessible design standards?

3. We are facing a sixth mass extinction event. Biodiversity is critical for climate mitigation/adaptation and local accessible nature is vital for mental and physical well-being, but Burlington does not have a biodiversity action plan. If elected, will you champion the creation of a [biodiversity action plan](#) within the next 4 years and advocate for the resources/budget to initiate its implementation?

4. If elected, will you support the [Reform Gravel Mining Coalition](#) push for a temporary moratorium on new gravel mining applications in Ontario, by putting a pause on all new and expanded quarry permits in Burlington?

5. Climate Change is worsening existing inequities and putting marginalized community members at increased risk of harm if mitigation and adaptation efforts are not carefully planned (see [Health in a Changing Climate](#) report).

If elected, will you work to effectively integrate measures such as vulnerability and equity impact assessments to city plans and processes to prepare against avoidable harm to marginalized Burlington residents? How will you work with other members of council to ensure this as a top priority?

Please share some of the actions you personally do to minimize your environmental footprint

VOTE for a greener Burlington!