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Lisa ROBINSON
Doug CORNELL
Shaun RICKARD
Regional Ward 1: (1)
Maurice BRENNER
City Ward 1: (6)
James BLAIR
Abdullah MIR
Priya VADIVEL
Michael SAMLALSINGH
Jamie NYE
Jeremy STEINHAUSEN
Regional Ward 2: (2)
Linda COOK
Nancy VAN ROOY
City Ward 2: (5)
Mara NAGY
Sam SNYDERS
John MELOCHE
Stacey LEPINE-FISHER
Vince VIAPIANA
Regional Ward 3: (1)
David PICKLES
City Ward 3: (2)
Rajkumar NADA
Shaheen BUTT

**AJAX REGISTERED
CANDIDATES:**
MAYOR: (3)
Marilyn Crawford
Ashmeed Khan
Richard Hinds
Regional Ward 1: (2)
Rob Tyler Morin
Aqsa Asif Malik
Local Ward 1: (6)
Kristy McDonald
Malcolm Andre Barrington
Sadiq Boodoo
Rob Ford
Kelly Miller
Nabeel Ilyas Choudhry
Regional Ward 2: (4)
Asad Ali
Ranjith Paranivasagam
Sterling Lee
Muhammad Asif Malik
Local Ward 2: (6)
Jay Hayles
Nancy Henry
Andras Adaikkalam
Asif Kasim
Azhar Khan

Sajid Dogar
Regional Ward 3: (5)
Angie Papas
Rob Chopowick
Donna Edwards
Errol Massiah
Lynn MacDonald
Local Ward 3: (3)
Lisa Patel
Bosh Bope
Nick Papalambropoulos
**WHITBY REGISTERED
CANDIDATES**

MAYOR: (2)
Leahy, Chris
Roy, Elizabeth
Regional Ward 1: (2)
Mulcahy, Rhonda
MOHHY-UD-DIN IKRAMAH
Local Ward 1: (2)
BROWN, ANASTASIA
LEE, STEVE
Regional Ward 2: (2)
Lewis, Debbie
Newman, Deidre
Local Ward 2: (5)
CARDWELL, MATT
LOPES, LORI
NAEME, YAR.M
TAIT, JUDITH
KOHISTANI, MEHMOOD
Regional Ward 3: (2)
Heckbert. Melissa
LUNDQUIST, NIKI
Local Ward 3: (5)
Templeton, Scott
SANSOM, DAVE
MCCARNEY, LAURA
FREMPONG, AKUAH
BAKER, BOB

Regional Ward 4: (2)
SHAHID, MALEEHA
YAMADA, STEVE
Local Ward 4: (2)
Bozinoski, Victoria
PERDIGAO, WALTER
**OSHAWA REGISTERED
CANDIDATES**
MAYOR: (7)
Tito-Dante Marimpietri
Jim Lee
Henry Onwuachu
Derek Giberson
Michael Coons
Joseph Tomlins
Dave Westlake
Regional Ward 1: (1)
Christopher Biancaniello
Local Ward 1: (5)
Danjeza Dangeli

Olaleye Oluwaolorunlanke
Rosemary McConkey
Abdus Salam Shinwary
Omar Wisdom
Regional Ward 2: (2)
Cameron Anderson
Bradley Marks
Local Ward 2: (3)
Jane Hurst
John R.E. Sturdy
Sarah Chiapparro
Regional Ward 3: (1)
Robert (Bob) Chapman
Local Ward 3: (3)
Sylvia Lesner
Matthew Schaffer
Roger Bouma
Regional Ward 4: (4)
Rick Kerr
Doug Sanders
Jeff Davis
Jack O'Donnell
Local Ward 4: (4)
Theresa Grant
Jose Morales
Deb Oldfield
Dave Thompson
Regional Ward 5: (2)
Kristen McKinnon
Brian Charles Nicholson
Local Ward 5: (5)
Siddharth (Sid) Goyal
Todd Forbes
Adedeji Ibinayo
Christeen Thornton
John Gray

**CLARINGTON
REGISTERED
CANDIDATES**
MAYOR: (2)
Foster, Adrian
Tom Dingwall
Regional Ward 1: (2)
Granville Anderson
Melissa Whitefield
Local Ward 1: (1)
Elhajjeh, Sami
Regional Ward 2: (2)
Granville Anderson
Melissa Whitefield
Local Ward 2: (3)
Aucoin, Chris
Bernard Sanchez
Jason Kay
Regional Ward 3: (2)
Kannan Nair
Kevin Taylor
Local Ward 3: (1)
Mike Mokhtar

TALE OF THE CANDIDATES:

This how we see it at The Central across the Region:
Pickering: It appears that in Pickering the only two wards not challenged are Ward 1 Regional. Held by Maurice Brenner and Regional Ward 3. Held by incumbent David Pickles. The race still early. Regional Ward 2 will surely be an interesting race between incumbent Linda Cook and Nancy Van Rooy. In this ward. Nancy really needs to start getting out there and knocking on doors. So far not to much has been noted and time is not on her side.

Ajax: Ajax main event will be at the Mayoral level. Marylin Crawford being a current council member has the upper hand as she gets to go to all public events as city representative. Richard Hinds and Ashmeed Khan have yet to make their stage presence. It appears that Ajax candidates are not making the impact that they should at this stage of the election. Ajax, known as the sleeping giant has yet to awaken if incumbents are to be toppled.

Whitby: Once again. The main focus here is in the mayoral race. Leahy and Roy are pulling all the stops. Both in council have access to all kinds of event that are part of their job description. With this said. This giving them a huge advantage over any new candidate. The two person race is to early to tell. Roy, has a genuine worry and must make sure she relies on her core base to put her over.

Oshawa: In Oshawa... It is one surprise after another. Many are questioning openly on social media the competency level of Tito-Dante Marimpietri. People are questioning his platform... as he has sat as a council member for over 20 years and what has he accomplished. If anything, he is part of the problem. High taxes. Crime and the general poor condition of the core. In a video circulating online... showing Derek Giberson standing downtown Oshawa watching a homeless person being assaulted. In the video Giberson looks stunned as if under the influence of something.... According to eyewitnesses. He never tried to intervene and or call for police. This brings to question his candidacy. He has also been criticized online for using tax payers dollars to attack rival political opponent of the 2022 election. The claim states that has used taxpayers dollars wastefully. This bringing to question his business experience. Sitting on boards does not give you experience, as most on those boards have no clue what they are doing and are either appointed as watchdogs or volunteers.

In Clarington: I think the race to watch is the Foster vs Dingwall. Dingwall has a long interest in politics and it looks like this election is his year. Foster has been noted to have played the race card in a neighbour dispute that made it to the main media. This show-casing Foster lack of leadership and his desperation to stay on as the head of the municipality. People are also looking at the Granville vs Melissa race. Melissa the former manager for Granville is showing some great potential as maybe it is time to bring Granville true backbone to the forefront and elect her in office.

Scugog: Known as the quite sleeping giant. A small municipality with a huge punch and practically the last frontier north of Oshawa. The Wilma Wotten, Michael Coll and Ian McDougal race is highly dependant on the ability for any of the two new candidates to present arguments that will appeal to residents. Taxes is a big thing. As is development and housing growth. The concern appears to be around maintaining the natural beauty of Scugog while being able to attract new businesses for job creation. To early to tell.

Regional Ward 4: (2)
Denise Robinson
Kevin Taylor

Local Ward 4: (2)
Denise Robinson
Andrew McVey
**SCUGOG
REGISTERED
CANDIDATES**

MAYOR: (3)
Wilma Wotten
Michael Coll
Ian McDougall
Regional Ward 1: (3)
Terry Coyne
Patricia Conlin
Wayne Hancock
Ward 1: (2)
David Le Roy
Scott Blachar
Ward 2: (2)
Alisa Cole
Richard Hinton
Ward 3: (1)
Rosario Greco
Ward 4: (2)
Harold Wright
Brad Martyn
Ward 5: (2)
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