



## Toronto Municipal Candidates 'Renewables-Ready' Pledge

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### The Pledge

I pledge to champion local clean power for Toronto — scaling renewable energy, battery storage, energy efficiency and smart distributed energy systems to meet growing electricity demand, while reducing reliance on gas generation and building a more affordable, resilient and equitable electricity system.

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### For Candidates

Climate action requires immediate, practical steps within our authority. By signing this pledge, I commit to using the tools available to me as a Councillor — directing staff, leveraging our ownership of Toronto Hydro, passing motions, setting ambitious targets, and advocating to other levels of government including the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) — to accelerate Toronto's clean energy transition.

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### My Commitments

#### 1. Scale Up Local Clean Power

I will support ambitious policies and actions to scale local non-emitting energy technologies, Distributed Energy Resources (DERs) and demand-side solutions across Toronto to meet growing electricity demand and reduce reliance on gas generation. This includes rooftop and balcony solar, battery storage, energy efficiency, demand response, managed EV charging and vehicle-to-grid technology, virtual power plants, and other non-wires solutions.



**TERRE**

Toronto East Residents for Renewable Energy



## **2. Support Phasing Out Gas Generation at the Portlands Energy Centre**

I support phasing out gas-fired generation at the Portlands Energy Centre by 2035, or sooner where feasible, by rapidly scaling up renewable energy, energy storage, energy efficiency and other non-emitting energy solutions in Toronto.

## **3. Use City Governance Over Toronto Hydro to Drive Clean Power Ambition**

The City of Toronto is the sole shareholder of Toronto Hydro, Ontario's largest local electricity distributor. I will use this governance relationship to support faster grid connections for renewable energy projects, modernized infrastructure that enables DERs and demand response, and fair compensation for residents who generate their own power. Toronto Hydro can be a leader in Toronto's clean energy transition.

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## **Responsible Ambition**

These commitments are ambitious but achievable. They respect the boundaries of municipal authority while pushing Toronto to lead. Climate action cannot wait for perfect conditions or senior government permission. City Council can and must use every tool we have.

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## **Signature**

**Candidate Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ward:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_