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CANDIDATE NEWSLETTER

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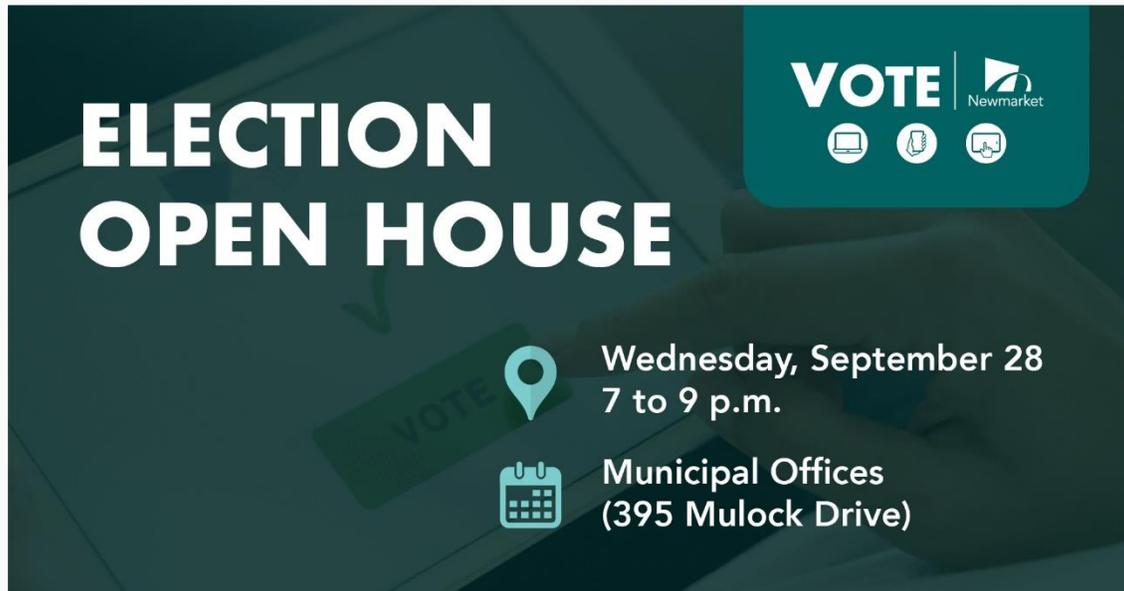
Welcome to the 2nd Candidate Newsletter for the 2022 Town of Newmarket Municipal Election.

This Newsletter provides candidates with upcoming important dates, election events and other important information as it becomes available.



All issues are posted in the Resources section at newmarketvotes.ca and are available on the Candidate Portal.

Election Open House

A graphic for an Election Open House. The background is dark teal with a faint pattern of ballot boxes. In the top right corner, there is a teal rounded rectangle containing the word "VOTE" in white, the Newmarket logo, and three icons: a laptop, a ballot, and a person at a computer. The main text "ELECTION OPEN HOUSE" is in large, white, bold, sans-serif font. Below this, there are two rows of information: the first row has a location pin icon followed by the text "Wednesday, September 28 7 to 9 p.m."; the second row has a calendar icon followed by the text "Municipal Offices (395 Mulock Drive)".

**ELECTION
OPEN HOUSE**

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Wednesday, September 28
7 to 9 p.m.

Municipal Offices
(395 Mulock Drive)

Wednesday, September 28: The Elections Team will be hosting an **Election Open House** from 7 to 9 PM at the Municipal Offices (395 Mulock Drive). This session is intended to give voters the opportunity to learn about the voting process, find out about available voter assistance and accessibility features, and ask any questions about the election. While candidates and their representatives are welcome to attend, they are reminded that campaigning is not permitted at Town events and at the Municipal Offices.



Candidate Question Box

A few candidates have expressed interest in learning more about the Town of Newmarket administration, policies and procedures from Town staff.

To facilitate this and ensure equal access to all candidates, we are introducing a “Candidates’ Question Box”. Any candidate is welcome to submit a written question to Town staff about any relevant topic. Town staff will answer questions in writing. All candidates will be provided with every answer. Questions and answers will also be posted on newmarketvotes.ca.

You can access the Candidates’ Question Box to submit your question by visiting: [Candidates’ Question Box - Town of Newmarket \(newmarketvotes.ca\)](http://newmarketvotes.ca). Questions will be accepted until September 30, 2022.

In order to ensure the box is only accessed by candidates, it is not linked anywhere so only those who have the above link will find it.

Help Get Voters on the Municipal Voters’ List

The election team is asking all candidates to support their effort in encouraging Newmarket residents to check, correct or add their information on the Voters' List.

This will help ensure they receive their Voter Instruction Letter and voting PIN in the mail which they need in order to vote online.

The team has been visiting new development areas and distributing multi-lingual door-hanger cards at each home with information about checking the List through newmarketvotes.ca.

Additional copies of these door hangers are available to candidates, and we encourage you to distribute them to voters as part of your campaign activities to help ensure that every Newmarket voter who wants to vote, can easily do so. Door hanger cards are available for pick up at the Municipal Offices. Call us at 905-953-5152 or email us at elections@newmarket.ca to let us know when you're coming and we'll have the cards waiting for you.

Voters' List

You are reminded that you can access the Voters' List for your race on the Candidate Portal. The list contains each voter's name, ward, address and school board support.

Please keep in mind that when you filed your nomination papers with the Elections Team, you signed off on the candidate's declaration form for proper use of the Voters' List and agreed to the following:

- Keep confidential the login and account information provided to you to access the Candidate Portal and that the login information is not to be shared with anyone, including those on your campaign team.
- The Voters' List will be used for election purposes only and that you are prohibited by the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 from using the Voters' List for any other purposes and you agreed to destroy any copies of the Voters' List provided to you by the Town.

Candidate FAQs

Each issue of the Candidate Newsletter will contain answers to frequently asked candidate questions. In this issue we focus on campaign contributions, and touch on expenses. Many answers to are drawn from the [2022 Candidates' Guide – Ontario municipal council and school board elections](#). Candidates should review the Guide, available through the candidate portal and newmarketvotes.ca, for full details.

Will there be voter contact information included in the Voter Lists on the candidate portal? If not, how can the Town help me with voter contact?

The Voters' List is based on information collected by MPAC. Phone numbers and email addresses are not collected and therefore not included in the Voters' List.

There are many ways for candidates to engage with voters including door-to-door canvassing, unaddressed mailing by postal code using Canada Post, hosting a meet the candidate event, attending the Chamber of Commerce candidate meet and greet event, and arranging an interview with a local news reporter.

If I have a surplus of cash after the election can I donate it to a local charity?

If your campaign ends with a surplus, you can withdraw the value of contributions that you and your spouse made from the surplus. If you still have a surplus once you have withdrawn your contributions, the remaining surplus must be turned over to the clerk.

You are not permitted to refund eligible contributions made by anyone other than yourself or your spouse.

You may not donate a surplus to a charity of your choice.

Election Sign Information Session

On Tuesday, September 13th, the Elections Team held an information session for all candidates and their campaign teams. Candidates learned about where election signs can and cannot be placed on both local and regional roads. The session was also recorded and you can view the video [here](#). The video and the slide presentation can be accessed in the Candidate Portal.

Have a question or need more information?

Make sure you visit our website newmarketvotes.ca for all your 2022 Newmarket Municipal Election answers to your questions. If you can't find the information you are looking for, give us a call at 905-953-5152 or email elections@newmarket.ca

