

Questions 1. Housing is a fundamental human right, and yet an increasing number of residents across the Greater Toronto Area are struggling to pay rent or find an affordable place to live. What policies and actions do you believe need to be implemented to address this crisis?

**Dr. Faizul Mohee, P.Eng., PMP's Answer:**

This is my main platform point. As the Mayor, I will also construct 300,000 New Units of Real Affordable Housing. Please note that \$3,000/month or \$2,500/month rent is NOT affordable rent in my definition, which is the monthly rent in some of the so-called affordable housing in Toronto city now. As a P.Eng. Civil/ Structural Engineer and as a certified Project Manager (PMP), I am committed to build 300,000 New Units of Real Affordable Housing in Toronto.

I will reduce the cost of living and the rents by (1) reducing Property Tax by 10%, (2) reducing Water Bill by 5%, (3) reducing the Adult TTC Fare to \$3, and (4) reducing the Land Transfer Tax by 5%. All of these actions will make the life affordable to Torontonians.

I will also create 5,000 new City Jobs at Toronto Building, CreateTO, ECS (Engineering Services division), and Waterfront, and I will also create 100,000 new Jobs for Torontonians, overall. With these new jobs, people's income will increase; therefore, their life will become more affordable.

2. The design, construction and operation of our built environment accounts for nearly 40% of energy related carbon emissions, contributing to the ongoing climate crisis affecting us today. What do you believe needs to be prioritised to reduce carbon emissions within the built environment?

**Dr. Faizul Mohee, P.Eng., PMP's Answer:**

For addressing the Carbon-emission, my platform also includes the following major points:

- ✅ Address Climate Change 🌍 Install Solar Panels 🌞 in all TTC Stations & all city owned buildings.
- 🚌 Buy 400 new Electric TTC Buses & electric Police Cars, and other city owned electric cars and trucks.
- 🔌 Install Electric Car Charging Stations
- 🌳 Plant 10 million new Trees. It will also create lots of new jobs, particularly for landscape architects.
- ♻️ Green Bins in Condos and Apartment Buildings

I will also set up small scale "Carbon Capture" plants in the City of Toronto (similar to Saskatchewan's and City of Regina's carbon capture plants).

I will also promote the idea of setting up "Green Roofs" in all buildings.

I will also encourage and promote the "District Energy" projects, such as projects from Enwave.

I will ensure that all the new buildings in the city should be LEED certified green buildings. It will create lots of new jobs for Architects in the city.

3. In towns and cities, so much of life happens in the shared public spaces—in our parks, libraries and streets. How can we ensure these civic spaces achieve design excellence in their initial conception and construction, and that they are properly maintained so they may continue to serve future generations?

**Dr. Faizul Mohee, P.Eng., PMP's Answer:**

I am committed to keep all the City of Toronto Libraries open on 7 days a week, including Sundays and Mondays.

I am also committed to have install streetlights in the parks and streets to make the city safer.

I am also committed to keeping the public washrooms open in the parks.

As the Mayor, I will plant 10 million new trees in the city.

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4. Toronto's modern architectural heritage is at risk, with both the redevelopment of Ontario Place and the potential demolition of the Ontario Science Centre jeopardizing some of the most important architectural landmarks in the country. Other modern buildings, including city-owned properties, have been left to decay with inadequate maintenance. What measures will you take as Mayor to protect, preserve and revitalize our city's 20th century built legacy?

**Dr. Faizul Mohee, P.Eng., PMP's Answer:**

Both Ontario Place and Ontario Science Center are under the jurisdiction of the Ontario Government. I am personally against this demolition of the Ontario Science Center, and as the Mayor, I will personally advocate against its demolition.

Please note that I am a Civil Engineer, and my PhD research was on the "Repair, Rehabilitation and Retrofitting of Existing Structures" at the University of Waterloo. I also worked on "Infrastructure Asset Management" in my last job. I also taught the "Repair and Renovation of Existing Infrastructure" course at Toronto Metropolitan University (formerly, Ryerson University) in Toronto in 2022. All of these backgrounds show my deep interest and expertise in the repair, rehabilitation and retrofitting of heritage structures.

As the Mayor, I will preserve and revitalize our city's 20th century built legacy of all the heritage buildings by establishing an organization called "Heritage Buildings Toronto".