

Municipal Election

Veteran Currie joins newcomer Politi in Ward 3

Halton Hills Councillor Anne Currie and Georgetown resident Tom Politi have declared their candidacy for the upcoming November 12 municipal election. Both are seeking a position as local councillor in Ward 3.

Ward 3 Coun. Currie hopes to continue her position on town council. She has served on town council for three years.

Ms. Currie, who is now retired, was the former news editor of the Georgetown Independent. She had covered council meetings for more than 20 years.

"I knew the work involved in being a town councillor because I covered the meetings for many years," explained Coun. Currie. "I realized being a councillor was more than just attending Monday evening meetings."

A resident of Georgetown for 37 years, Ms. Currie said she first decided to run for town councillor three years ago because of her coverage of the meetings, that she wanted to 'put her money where her mouth was.'

Ms. Currie would like to see town council address the issue of infilling in the near future, that is building in existing areas. She was opposed to the widening of Main Street South and feels it was a positive decision by town council that this did not go through.

She said she will continue to fight for traffic lights at Main St. North and Ewing St. and a better intersection at Main St. and Guelph St.

Ms. Currie was also a former Library Board Chairman in Halton Hills and one of the founders of the Community Legal Aid Clinic.

She explained she believes higher buildings in low-lying areas where they don't overwhelm the surrounding area, are beneficial. She used as an example the former hydro property on Mill St.

She is opposed to the original proposal for high rise condominiums on Maple Avenue beside the North Halton Golf and Country Club, which she feels does not fit in with the neighborhood.

This election will mark the second time Mr. Politi, 41, will try to win a Town councillor position in Ward 3.

Mr. Politi, who has lived in Georgetown for 24 years, unsuccessfully ran in the previous municipal election.

Asked why he is running this time around, Mr. Politi replied, "because I truly like the Town and want to be part of the deci-

sion making process."

Development will be a major campaign election issue, he said. For instance, Mr. Politi supports high density housing - apartment buildings - as long as they are not grouped together. Georgetown south would be the most appropriate area for this type of development, he added.

Mr. Politi went on to say he could possibly support semi-detached housing on the empty Maple Avenue property beside the North Halton Golf and Country Club in Georgetown. Mr. Politi stressed, before he would support semi-detached housing on the property, the architectural design for the housing would have to be in keeping with the surrounding area.

"I've seen designs for semi-detached housing that replicate single family homes," he said.

Mr. Politi also said the Town

will have to focus more attention on attracting industry and commercial businesses to the area.

Mr. Politi is married and has a

son who attends Georgetown District High School. He is a business manager for a concrete company in Brampton.

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Trebbne bows out

Town residents who support high density development in Halton Hills have lost an advocate in Georgetown resident Arthur Trebbne.

Mr. Trebbne, a pro development supporter, has withdrawn his town councillor candidacy in Georgetown's Ward 3 for the upcoming Nov. 12 municipal election.

Contacted Monday, Mr. Trebbne cited personal reasons as an explanation for his withdrawal from the municipal election race.

When he declared his candidacy earlier this summer, Mr. Trebbne said he was pro development. For example, he favored two high rise condominiums being built on the empty Maple Avenue property beside the North Halton Golf and Country Club.

Despite Mr. Trebbne's withdrawal, Grant Emmerson, Tom Politi and Ward 3 town councillor incumbent Anne Currie are still vying for a council position in Ward 3.

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