

Alison Karim-McSwiney (*Communities First party*)
 alisonforward9.ca
 Karim-McSwiney is executive director of the International Avenue BRZ and helped launch GlobalFest. In 2021, she sought the Alberta NDP nomination in Calgary-East but withdrew. Karim-McSwiney is campaigning on increasing affordable housing units, creating safer streets, and introducing temporary property tax discounts for owners who improve their buildings.

Gar Gar (*Independent*)
 gargarward9.com
 Gar is president of the Forest Lawn Community Association. He's also a founder of the Youth Empowerment and Skills (YES) Centre, among other community initiatives including the YYC Kids Ride bike drive. He ran in Ward 10 in 2017 and for the Alberta Party provincially in 2019. Gar says he is running in Ward 9 "to prioritize core services, affordability, and community voices at city hall."

Shirley Brun Parungao Do (*Independent*)
 facebook.com/shirley.do.77
 Do runs a non-profit organization called SDPC MultiSupport Inc., which provides a range of services to support families. Originally from the Philippines, Do has over 15 years of experience in medical administration, caregiving and community service. She says she is running "to make sure every resident's voice is heard and to strengthen support for families and our community."

Tony Dinh (*A Better Calgary Party*)
 tonydinh.ca
 Dinh is CEO of Mount Royal Capital, a multifamily housing developer. He's also president of the Albert Park/Radisson Heights Community Association. Dinh ran in Ward 10 in 2021, placing third. Dinh says he is a "common sense conservative" who wants to bring accountability and "smart spending" to city hall, prioritizing essential services and affordable housing.

☒ **Ariana Kippers** (*The Calgary Party*)
 arianakippers.ca
 Kippers was a constituent liaison for Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra from 2024 to 2025. Before that, she was a community connector for the city. Kippers has volunteered with the Dover Community Association and a Forest Lawn parent support network. Her focus is "revitalizing neighbourhoods and strengthening municipal engagement through transparency, connection and education."

☒ **Marina Ortman** (*Independent*)
 marinaortmanforward9.ca
 Ortman has run her own leather apparel business, Dome' Design Studio, since 2018. She helped lead the campaign to save the Inglewood pool. Ortman says she wants to empower residents, "giving people the tools, information, and voice to shape the future of their neighbourhoods." She is also campaigning on safe communities and transparent local government.

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Harrison M. Clark (*Independent*)
 harrisonclarkward9.ca
 Clark has owned and run Murphy's Mid-Century, an Inglewood shop that sells and restores antique furniture, since 2018. He has also served on the Inglewood Business Improvement Area (BIA) board of directors. Clark is campaigning on affordability, safety and heritage protections. Clark is also proposing a "Deerfoot Trail connectivity plan" to bridge the east and west sides of Deerfoot.

YOUR 7 CITY COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES



POPULATION
 85,410
 (2021)

WARD
 9

Every four years Calgarians elect a new city council. On October 20, 2025, voters choose a mayor, city councillors and school board trustees. Calgary's electoral system is divided into 14 regions, or wards, across the city.

WARD 9

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