

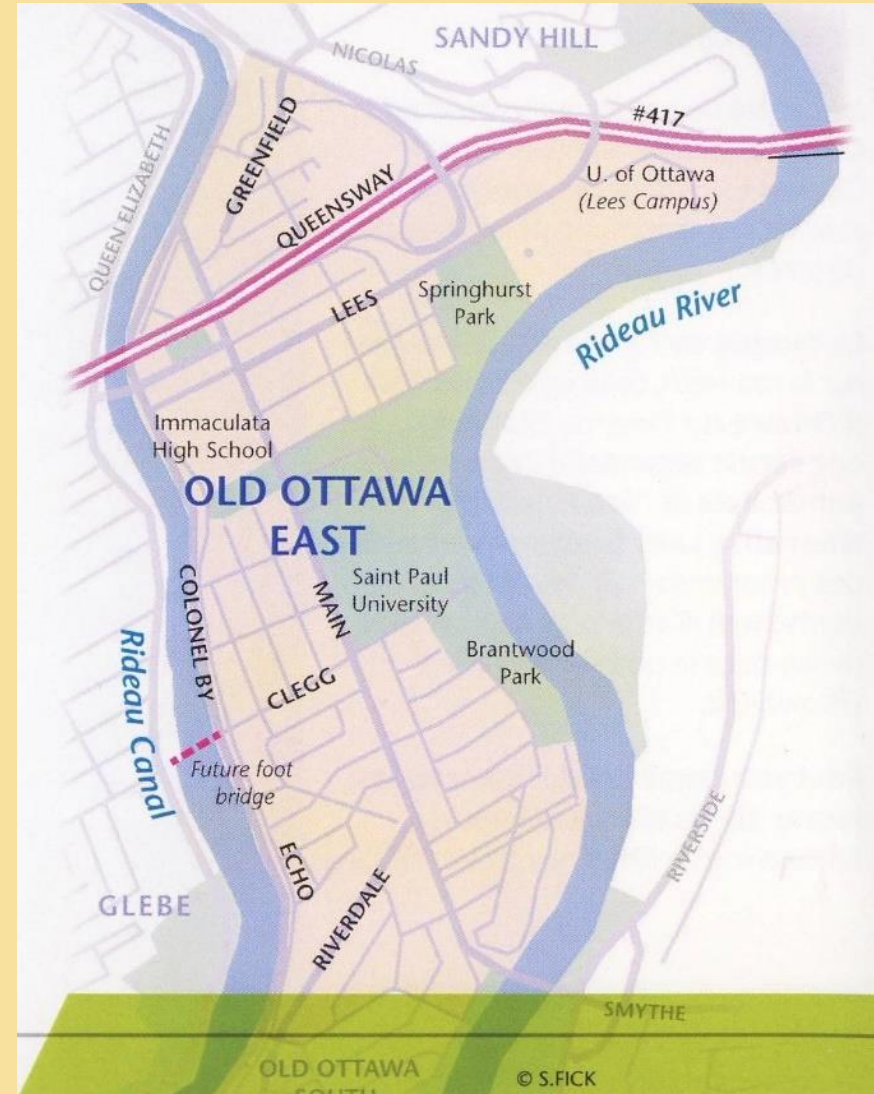
Old Ottawa East Community Association

Chair's Report 2019
Annual General Meeting
November 12, 2019

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Current OOECA Board Members

- President: Phyllis Odenbach Sutton
- VP/Planning: Ron Rose
- Past-president/Footbridge: John Dance
- Treasurer: Don Fugler
- Secretary: Jocelyn Kearney
- Communications: Catherine Pacella
- Transportation: Tom Scott
- Membership: Suzanne Johnston
- Community safety: Jaime Girard
- Fed. Of Citizens Ass'ns: Bob Gordon
- TCOM/Greystone: Heather Jarrett
- SLOE: Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay
- At large: Richard Cundall (Lansdowne), Tom Deadman, Joan Batucan

Proposed OOECA Board Members

- President: Jaime Girard
- VP/Communications: Bob Gordon
- Past-president: Phyllis Odenbach Sutton
- Treasurer: Don Fugler*
- Secretary: Catherine Pacella
- Transportation: Tom Scott
- Planning: Jeff O'Neill**
- Membership: Suzanne Johnston
- TCOM/Greystone: Peter Tobin**
- SLOE: Jayson MacLean**
- Parks & green space: Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay
- At large: John Dance, Ron Rose (LPAT appeals), Richard Cundall (Lansdowne), Brendan O'Kelly**, Courtenay Beauregard**

* 6th term; ** new member

Financial Report

Expenses (\$)

- Rentals/supplies	\$619
- LPAT appeal filings	609
- Directors' insurance	567
- Photocopying/printing/ supplies	249
- Gardens	479

Revenues (\$)

- Memberships sold	\$2,738
- Main Event BBQ (net)	709

Carryover (2017) **\$21,205**

Balance **\$22,129**

Other Financial Commitments

Appeals

- Special General Meeting on August 27 approval of up to \$5000 of CA funds for expenses associated with appeals

Springhurst Park exercise equipment

- Approval of up to \$1000 at June monthly board meeting
- AGM Motion to approve up to an additional \$1000 for equipment

Plaque recognizing reconstruction of Main Street:

- AGM motion for approval of up to \$1500; The Green Door willing to have plaque installed on their building

Web-site redesign / rebranding

- AGM Motion to approve up to \$5000

Transportation

Successes:

- Flora footbridge opened early and under budget
- Flashing beacons (re)installed at crosswalk at Greenfield / Concord St N
- Flex posts installed at SW corner of Lees/Hawthorne
- Reopening of on-ramp to Highway 417
- Re-installment of Rideau Canal summer canoe/kayak access
- Rideau River Western Pathway MUP completed through Greystone Village
- LRT completion

Challenges:

- No progress on sound barriers north of Queensway
- Continued negative impact of construction on roads and trees

Planning

- OOE Planning Committee now has 8 members, with most neighbourhoods represented
- It was a busy year; the Committee:
 - Reviewed/ commented on 7 Committee of Adjustment minor variance applications
 - Reviewed/ commented on demolition application for 20-22 & 24 Hawthorne
 - Reviewed/ commented on Zoning By-law amendment & site plan for Greystone Block 2A + site plan for 129 Main
 - Presented/ prepared comments to city planning committee/ city council opposing Zoning By-law and Official Plan Amendments requested for Greystone Block 2B
- Immaculata field
 - OCSB successfully appealed City's attempt to restrict hours of lighting through Site Plan Control Agreement; residents close to field continuing to have noise/light issues
- If you have an interest in participating or have concerns, contact us at ottawaeastplanning@ottawaeast.ca

Update on Major Developments

The Corners on Main

- Phase 2 residents moved in; landscaping & courtyard completed
- Several Phase 2 commercial / retail businesses now open, others under construction, 2 units still available for lease

Greystone Village Retirement Residence

- Sales office opened in summer 2019; model suites now open for viewing
- Building completion expected by February 1, 2020 with first residents moving in starting February 2

Greystone Village

Phase 1 – Singles and Towns & Phase 2 – North Village

- Construction nearing completion
- Full occupancy – target end of 2019 (except for 2 singles near Springhurst Park)

Terraces (Condo buildings)

- #1: Nearing construction completion; first residents on January 13 & last move-in date in May 2020
- #2: Construction ongoing; targeted completion in June 2021
- Block 1C: site plan submission targeted for early 2020

Mixed use / apartment building 2A

- Construction start – Fall 2019 target; construction completion – July 2021 (target)

Deschâtelets Building

- CECCE purchase under discussion with Regional
- CA sponsoring meeting on December 5 (tentatively) at Old Town Hall re plans

Greystone Village – OOECA appeals

Apartment building 2B

- Request for Zoning By-law and Official Plan amendments approved by City Council on July 10
- OOECA filed appeals to two decisions on August 6

Status of appeals

- Special General Meeting of August 27 approved motion for additional \$5000 of CA funds to be used for expenses associated with appeals
- OOECA has procured legal counsel
- Appeals will be heard under new LPAT legislation; under this legislation, revised grounds for appeal were refiled on October 8
- Fund raising to date of over \$9000

Environment / Sustainable Living Ottawa East (SLOE)

Gardens /Trees / Parks

- Perennial Garden (Main and Riverdale): minimal reinvestment needed this year; thank you to Margaret Vant Erve & volunteers
- Nature Trail: ongoing maintenance / battle against invasive plants (Vicki's weed brigade & Ian's invasive tree removers always looking for more help)
- Spring & Fall park clean-ups

Environmental impact of artificial turf

- Working towards moratorium on installation in OOE – institutional, commercial & residential – due to adverse environmental impacts

Bird friendly OOE

- New initiative launched; still looking for others interested in bird-related projects

Community Gardens

- Lees and Saint Paul University community gardens:
 - productive season
- Children's garden:
 - Nominee for City of Ottawa Urban Design Award
 - Full season of planting this year
 - Replacement of many shrubs and fruit trees

Other Highlights 2018/19

- More new neighbours at Corners on Main & Greystone
- New retail / commercial at TCOM & elsewhere on Main St
- Main Farmers Market successful season
- Main Event / OOE CA BBQ another (but wet) success
- City conducted consultation on dogs in parks
- Brantwood Park: Tennis courts resurfacing
- Great engagement at Springhurst Park
- Community engagement / activism on many fronts: “Respect Approved Plans”, OSEG proposal for Lansdowne
- OOECA (with other central CAs) sponsored very successful all-candidates meeting for federal election

Next Year

- Rideau Canal wall replacement:
 - Completion of north of Queensway work
 - Commencement of work south of Clegg
- Community centre / gym progress (hopefully)
- Detailed design for Greenfield Avenue, Main Street (north of Harvey), & Hawthorne Avenue
 - Construction start delayed to 2021
- Playground equipment replacement at Springhurst Park
- Cash in lieu of parkland investments in OOE (hopefully)

Reflections on the last 4 years

- There is a lot of upside to volunteering in a community
- People get involved sometimes because of concern / adversity but also to have fun
- We have had some wonderful opportunities to celebrate together
- Our community is changing in many ways but it is vibrant, strong & growing
- There is a wonderful group of people who live / work / shop & play in OOE
- There is strength in working together & with other communities
- Community associations CAN make a difference