



Meeting of the Old Ottawa East Community Association Board

Tuesday, 11 June 2019, 7p.m.

Old Town Hall, 61 Main Street

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

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Board Members

Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay
Bob Gordon
Catherine Pacella
Jaime Girard
John Dance
Phyllis Odenbach Sutton
Richard Cundall
Ron Rose
Suzanne Johnston
Tom Deadman

Other Attendees

Adriana Beaman
Bonnie Weppler
Daniel Wilson
Doug Macaulay
Emilie Taman
Evan Garfinkel
Ian MacLeod
Jamie Brougham
Jeanie Cassidy
Jim Strang
Juanita Cody
Kristine Houde
Lorna Kingston
Mitch Vlad
Paul Goodkey
Peter Tobin
Rick Burrowes
Shawn Menard
Taylor Marquis
Tina Raymond
Wendy McRae

1. Call to Order – Phyllis Odenbach-Sutton
2. Approval of Agenda
 - Moved: Jaime Girard; Second Suzanne Johnston
3. Approval of May 2019 Minutes
 - Moved: Ron Rose; Second Catherine Pacella
4. Chair's Report – Phyllis Odenbach-Sutton
 - Report Attached as Appendix A

5. Councillor's Report – Shawn Menard

- 5 urban wards to have council on official city plan, June 24th 6.30-8.30, city hall
- June 26th ward meeting on Vision Zero; looking for 2 volunteers from community to contribute
- June 27th planning committee meeting on 2B amendment, city hall/heritage room
- Tennis court crack filling at Brantwood – Looking at eventual replacement of court, but currently expediting filling option
- Dog park discussion; consultation from recommendation and if councillor approves of these recommendations, they will be issued for a vote; if councillor does not approve, the discussion will go to a committee
- MTO; Nicholas overpass; core has provincial noise exemption; noise exemption request for Rideau bridge sometime in August
- Flex stakes at Hawthorne and Main have been installed; will watch to see if they are functional
- Beg buttons at intersections
 - i. Councillor considering possible motion for removal of the beg buttons
- Ottawa Public Health survey issued from Jaime, Thursday June 27th for meeting
- Trees replacement along Main Street
 - i. There are 20 in total to be replaced
 - ii. Original trees were not properly maintained
 - iii. Tree species issue as well
- Alta Vista Transportation Corridor
 - i. Councillor to have a meeting about removing it from the Transportation Master Plan and official city plan
 - ii. To be included in the meeting, please contact councillor's office
- Road Painting
 - i. Currently looking for approval to purchase new paint truck
 - ii. Truck will use new paint that should last longer
- Gateway speed zones
 - i. Looking to reduce residential zone speeds to 30 kph in Glebe and Old Ottawa South, West of Bank St
 - ii. Eventual goal is for all 5 wards to be part of urban slow down
- Police Enforcement
 - i. To have more response from police, continue to file online reports
 - ii. With more reports there will be more response on future issues

6. Greystone Update – Taylor Marquis (Regional)

- Additional Contact at Greystone is Evan Garfinkel (No details provided)
- Traffic
 - i. Main traffic thoroughfare to use Hazel and Oblates
 - ii. Current conditions do not allow for all planned traffic management
- Landscaping
 - i. Increased fencing for turtles
 - ii. No plans to close the current corridor path along the river as most work is completed
- Multi-use pathway
 - i. Hoping to open the complete length in Fall 2019
 - ii. There will be a transition along Scholastic to differentiate between the road and path

- Building 2 of Terraces
 - i. All pilings for building 2 completed
 - ii. Concrete schedule to be provided
- 2A
 - i. Site plan is proceeding as outlined
 - ii. Current sales center to be demolished over summer, and notice will be provided 2 weeks in advance before demolition
 - iii. Regional will be moving into Domicile sales building
- Deschatelets
 - i. There is a letter of intent with school board for purchase
 - ii. Waiting for further discussion with lawyers before proceeding
- Grove
 - i. Building planned on south side of Deschatelets
 - ii. Current development is on hold
 - iii. No plans yet for behind Deschatelets (3A, 3B, 3E)
- Grand Allee Park
 - i. The park will be designed for passive inclusion

7. Motions for Board Consideration on Funding of “Vision for Springhurst Park” – Phyllis Odenbach-Sutton

- This motion is committing an investment of \$1000 to the Vision for Springhurst Park, which hopes to develop more of the Springhurst Park area. This development is hoping to include:
 - i. Beach volleyball court – This does not need cash in lieu of parkland (CLIP) funding
 - ii. Exercise equipment
- Moved: Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay; Second: Jaime Girard; Motion Unanimously Passed
- Additionally, a proviso at the AGM to commit a larger investment in project

8. Review/Motion of OOECA Strategic Priorities Document - Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay

- Some priorities have been completed
- Resolution to pass the document
- Moved: Tom Scott; Second Ron Rose; Passed

9. Community Centre / Deschatelets Update – Tina Raymond and John Dance

- John and Tina met with the Conseil des écoles catholiques du Centre-Est (CECCE) to discuss the potential purchase and use of the Deschatelets building
- CECCE expressed urgency for moving from current location of their school in OOE as lease is expiring
- In terms of use, they would only occupy 1/3 of the building
- Keen on partnering with City of Ottawa and CAG/OOECA for sharing remaining building for Community Center
- School and association positive symbiotic relationship
- No adverse affect on the forecourt; only outside use would be a small fenced area at back of building
- Minimal school bus increases;
- Education model is Finnish based

- Regional and Conseil upon letter of intent, will want to discuss with OOECA; suggestion for the senior members of the association to meet (pres, past pres, treasurer, secretary); probably over the summer
- Regional has concerns about the Chapel; may get involved with discussions
- Tina and John to meet with parent council
- Ask of OOECA will primarily be zoning based; currently zoned GM (general and material) away from institutional in 2015, want the switch back
- CAG side is guided toward partnering; day care; gym facilities; location
- Possibility of dropping students off at Main, and not down the Grand Allee
- Teacher parking needs to be brought up for discussion
- Student population to be around 250 – 300

10. Affordable Housing Update – Tom Deadman, Marie-Josée Houle (Executive Director of Action Housing)

- See Appendix F
- 2016 Snapshot – assuming 2011 census numbers
- Gist: housing costs are high, incomes are low
- When commercial businesses are introduced, employees are typically imported (live outside of the community in which the business is located); this leads to infrastructure and environmental issues
- Inclusionary zoning is when a development is supposed to contain a certain percentage of units with rents lower than the market rates. Supposed to lead to inclusion of the less affluent.
- In Ottawa, the transit corridor should be the push for inclusionary zoning
- Pushing developers to use groups like CMHC
- The role of the CA should be to push developers to have inclusionary
- Approximately \$250000/affordable unit
- Total household income should be less than 30% toward housing (rents/mortgage and utilities)
- Send message to Tom or Phyllis if interested in pursuing a further discussion about affordable housing

11. Treasurer's Report – Don Fugler

- Only change since month prior is a debit in the amount \$560. This was for board member insurance

12. Committee Reports

- Planning – Ron Rose
- See Appendix B for full report
 - i. 175 Main & 10 Oblates – Allow 5 and 9 stories
 1. 27th June, 10 people to speak; people involved with original plan to outline it was not part of the original vision; Ron will notify people about meeting before; will be at least 2 meetings
 - ii. 129 Main
 1. Multi-storey condo building; site approval was several years ago; new plan has 6 stories; 5th storey would be reset, not 4th; automated parking on back; Committee of Adjustment reserved judgement; public consultation will happen

- iii. 99 Lees
 - 1. Lees and Concord, wants to expand porch, requires minor variance; no response from neighbours
 - iv. 20-22 Hawthorne
 - 1. Met with owners to discuss remediation about oil spill; two options, one to lift and clean, the other to tear down; councillor request will happen due to lack of building permit with new design
 - v. Meeting with ward council
 - 1. Approved CLIP funds for developing parks at Greystone, \$96000 total.
 - 2. Issue is because each ward has needs, but councillor makes decision
- SLOE – Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay
 - i. Minutes provided, see Appendix C
- Transportation – Tom Scott
 - i. Minutes provided, see Appendix D
- Communications – Catherine Pacella
 - i. Historical minutes to be uploaded as soon as time permits
- Federation of Citizens' Associations – Bob Gordon
 - i. No report
- Corners on Main & Greystone Village – Heather Jarrett
 - i. Phase 2 to be fully occupied end of June
- Health & Safety – Jaime Girard
 - i. Minutes to be provided
- Membership – Suzanne Johnston
 - i. No report
- Landsdowne – Richard Cundall
 - i. Landsdowne Committee Council meeting in May
 - ii. OSEG controls property close to bank, City closer to canal
 - iii. Add mandate to provide consultation on park changes, plus allow CA to provide feedback
 - iv. Possible problem with opening of Flora bridge with vehicular traffic/parking
 - v. Next meeting will be scheduled sometime in Fall, as meetings only occur every three months
 - vi. Looking for feedback from CA on any issue
 - vii. Will provision meeting in September

13. Community Activities Group

- Main event on Saturday June 15th
- Movie night on Friday June 14th
- Suzanne to draft letter to individuals with restorative justice

14. New Business

- All candidates meeting to be in September. Ron will try to keep website updated
- Next deadline for Mainstreeter is July 15th

15. Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday, 10 September 2019

16. Adjournment

- Moved: Ron Rose; Second Jaime Girard

Appendix A

Chair's report June 11, 2019

Main Event

- Please join us on Saturday, June 15 to enjoy the great programming of our Community Activities Group, including activities for children & music for all ages, and support your community association by buying a burger or hot dog at the barbeque

Old Ottawa East Community Association monthly meetings

- The June meeting will be our last one before the summer break; mark your calendars for the restart of our monthly meetings on September 10
- Also it is never too early to include the annual general meeting on your calendar; this year it will again be held at the Church of the Ascension on November 12
- this is the year for a new board to be elected & therefore we will be convening a nominating committee shortly
- We will be looking for new board members as well as hoping that some of our current board members may be willing to continue, either in their current positions or be willing to accept new challenges

Pedestrian crossing at Greenfield / Concord St North

- not good news here as the recently reinstated crosswalk was once again run down by a large truck trying to turn east on to Greenfield while traveling north on Concord; as anyone familiar with the intersection will realize, such a manoeuvre was unlikely to be successful

Greenfield-Main-Hawthorne reconstruction project

- Tom, Alexandra and I attended the 2nd Public Advisory Committee meeting on June 4; Tom will provide some additional information on this meeting and next steps in his planning report for our June meeting
- Please note that there is a public information session on Tuesday, June 18 from 7:00-9:00pm in the multipurpose room of Saint Paul University, 233 Main Street
- There will be a presentation by city staff and consultants on project goals and objectives, scope of work, proposed schedule and key features, plus outcomes from two Public Advisory Committee meetings held to date with community representatives
- preliminary design panels and artists' renderings of streetscapes for Hawthorne, Main and Greenfield will also be on display
- Project information is available at the following site: <https://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/public-engagement/projects/greenfield-avenue-main-street-hawthorne-avenue-et-al-reconstruction-project>

Vision Springhurst

- Rick made a powerful presentation at our last Board meeting; he is seeking community input on the visioning exercise that is underway as well as funding from multiple sources to enhance the potential use of Springhurst Park
- Signs on the visioning exercise are up at the park, with an email contact (visionspringhurst@gmail.com); the deck that he presented at our May meeting + a summary of the discussion that night will be available when the minutes to our May meeting are posted on our website
- Also check out this Facebook link to see how well the park is currently being used: Springhurst Park Action - SPA
- Please note that I expect a motion will be put forward at our June meeting to financially support at least one of the new initiatives proposed

Archville vandalism incident

- the minutes from our May meeting will be posted shortly; they contain a good summary of the information provided by Amber Montgomery of the Collaborative Justice Program: Restorative Justice Ottawa and Detective Hull
- Note that the letters written by the 2 offenders will be included with these minutes

Greystone Village official plan amendment request

- It appears that this request will be heard at the June 27 city planning committee meeting
- Ron will provide some additional information at our board meeting in his planning report

Immaculata field LPAT hearing

- We now have confirmation that this delayed hearing will be held on July 2
- To briefly recap the situation, the city's planning committee on August 28, 2018 voted in favour of limiting the hours that the field was lit to 9:00pm Sunday-Thursday and until 10:00pm on Friday & Saturday; this decision was then appealed by the Ottawa Catholic School Board
- While the decision is under appeal, the Footy 7s have been operating as if no limitation had been applied (i.e., up to 11:00pm 7 days a week - although I believe they have rarely thus far had league matches after 10:00pm)

Dogs in parks

- Signs are now up at Brantwood Park soliciting the views of residents with respect to allowing dogs on leash anywhere in the park and dogs off leash in the baseball diamond area when that field is not otherwise being used.
- The city is accepting comments until June 28, all comments to be directed to Kevin Heiss at By-law and Regulatory Services. He can be reached by phone at 613 580 2424 ex. 41864, or by email at: kevin.heiss@ottawa.ca

- When dogs in parks was discussed over a year ago, there was also a proposal to consider changes to the 160 Lees and Springhurst Park areas; these changes are not being considered at this time
- My understanding is that the general rule is that dogs must be on a leash, except in specific off-leash designated areas
- I believe there is a need for signs / markers clearly delineating park boundaries at Springhurst as there are no dogs allowed in the park

Other issues recently raised by OOE residents

- The state of the tennis courts at Brantwood Park; while the majority of the surface is OK, large cracks have developed along the service and side lines thereby warping the trajectory of the ball
- Trees on Main Street (even those just replanted last year) looking pretty forlorn, & trimming that has in some cases been extreme (check out the tree in front of the Grande Allée where the main tree trunk has been chopped off; it was planted directly under a hydro pole steel support)
- Dangerous corners (e.g., Echo Drive/ Graham) made more dangerous by cars & bikes rarely stopping at stop signs
- Bikes going the wrong way on bike paths on Main Street
- The impact of Airbnb rentals on the quality of life of neighbours; concerns included noise (often when rental units are being used to host parties), increased garbage & pests, and a feeling of unease/ lack of security as a result of some properties turning over rentals every few days ("if one wanted to live beside a hotel, you would not have chosen to buy a house on a quiet residential street")
- The sorry state of the grass around the perennial garden at Riverdale & Main; also I believe the attempt to reseed the boulevard grass on Main Street was not very successful
- On Thursday, May 30 I was cc'ed on a number of emails regarding the noise in the evening and over night emanating from the Nicholas bridge (I believe) reconstruction; it would be helpful to know if there are currently/ or are expected to be additional late night noise exemptions

Rental accommodations

- The city is studying rental accommodation; the following website includes a lot of information on the work proposed, including a list of planned consultations <https://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/public-engagement/projects/rental-accommodations-study#public-consultations>
- the city's Rental Market Analysis report is also available: https://documents.ottawa.ca/sites/default/files/RAS_RMA-en.pdf
- The Councillor's May 24 newsletter also contained a number of links to city online surveys (e.g., Short-Term Rental Regulations, Student Housing Regulations and Rental Housing Conditions)
- Contact his office to get on this distribution list capitalward@ottawa.ca

Meeting with Juanita Cody of Greystone Village Retirement Residence

- I met with Juanita on May 15 & thought I would share a few of the items we discussed that I believe would be of general interest

- Their presentation centre should be open soon; it will be in the the trailer that is in the NE corner of their property
- First residents are expected to move in before the end of November 2019; there will be 148 rooms with a maximum occupancy of 172
- They expect to hire 75-80 employees; note that there will not be any staff parking provided
- There is also a plan to have 5 respite rooms for convalescence purposes; I think this would be the first such option in our community
- Finally, there are a number of planned facilities including a big community room (to accommodate up to 140 residents), a gym, a library area, a spa & a restaurant; they intend to open a number of daytime and evening activities to the community

Councillor's Report – Shawn Menard

- Deschatelets building: Councillor hosted meeting with potential partners to discuss possibility of community centre – established that City would be pursuing this with Regional and looking to procure a spot within the building – Regional seems very open to this • Next step will be for City to do posting looking for 20,000 square feet of space in the community for a community centre, which Regional will likely pick up.
- Regarding affordable housing – Regional had once committed to a block of housing but now are talking about the \$500K commitment – City has brought in Ottawa Community Housing as a potential partner on this as the arrangement with CCOC fell through • Regional is also still considering offer from Ottawa French Catholic School Board to use building (they need ~1/3 of building) • Old City Hall would be sold if this goes through

Appendix B

Planning and Development Committee report to the OOECA, Tuesday, June 11th, 2019.

1. 175 Main St and 10 Oblats Ave.

On Thursday, June 27th, the City Planning Committee will hear Regional Groups request to amend the Secondary Plan to change the zoning of a block of land between Oblats Ave and Hazel street, from Main St to the Ottawa River. The Deschatelets building sits roughly in the middle of that block of land. The current zoning allows for a maximum of six storeys between Main St and the Deschatelets building, while the proposal will change the zoning to allow between 5 storeys to a maximum of nine storeys.

We've been researching the background to the existing zoning, contacting planners, residents and officials who were involved in the original plan, and planning for our presentations at the Planning Committee. Heather Jarrett has organized the production and sale of t-shirts with the slogan "RESPECT approved plans", and 37 shirts have been sold. Consequently, we expect at least 30 residents to show up to the Committee meeting. We hope that approximately 10 people will speak to the amendment. That should take up to 45 minutes of the Committee's time, and suitably demonstrate our opposition to this proposed change.

There will be two gatherings of presenters in the week before June 27th to ensure each speaker is on the same page and that we don't have too much repetition.

Councillor Menard has been actively reaching out to other Councillors on the Planning Committee to ensure they are aware of the reasons for our opposition.

It should be a very interesting meeting!

2. 129 Main St. A multi-storey building was approved for this site a number of years ago. The developer has made a number of subsequent changes, and submitted a revised Site Plan Control Application that City Planning staff believed they had the authority to approve without further public consultation.

The developer is now proposing to build a six storey building on the site, and has requested two minor variances, one to allow the building to step back after the fifth floor instead of after the fourth floor as required by the zoning, and the second to permit a three storey above-ground automated parking structure, instead of the underground parking required by the zoning. We opposed both requests; the stepback because the additional storey of bulk will reduce the amount of sunlight reaching neighbours behind the building, and the automated parking garage because of the noise and light pollution it could create, and because of the potential traffic impacts created by the nature of the automated structure.

The Committee of Adjustment reserved its decision, but did direct the City Planning staff to have a community consultation on the approval of the Site Plan Control Application request before they, City staff, make a final decision.

3. 99 Lees Ave. The owner of the building at the corner of Lees Ave and Concord St. wants to expand his porch toward Concord St, which would encroach into the required sight triangle for that corner. The request will be heard by the Committee of Adjustment on June 19th. We've not heard any response from neighbours.
4. 20-22-24 Hawthorne Ave. We attended a briefing at the Councillor's office to discuss an oil spill at 20-22 Hawthorne, and alternative plans for the remediation of that spill. It is highly likely that the current building will be demolished to facilitate the remediation. The demolition of the building would require approval of the Councillor, hence the briefing. The spill also seeped into the property at 24 Hawthorne, which is scheduled for demolition and the construction of a 12 unit apartment building. The environmental consultant attending the briefing gave assurances that the spill did not extend to other properties on Hawthorne nor on Graham. The developer would like to start demolition and remediation this summer.
5. The Councillor has advised the Community that he has unilaterally allocated \$96,000.00 from the ward Cash in Lieu of Parkland fund to fund a shortfall in the funding for the Greystone parks. The decision was forced because of complications which arose from the Planning Committee's imminent consideration of a new Development Charge policy.

Appendix C

Chair's Report SLOE June 11, 2019

1. As a follow-up to the May 14, 2019 board presentation on the environmental impacts of artificial turf, there has been some discussion with Ariela Summit from Councillor Menard's office regarding the City's protocol on the disposal of worn-out artificial turf.
As expected, currently, the City relies upon the synthetic turf installer/contractor to remove dispose of the old synthetic turf (typically 8-10 yr. life). Ariela has forwarded the following points of concern to the City's waste management department as there will be a waste management review commencing this summer.

The salient excerpt of our correspondence follows:

A few of comments on current artificial turf disposal practices:

1. As Dan's memo notes, at the current time, the use of artificial turf in Ottawa is limited. For that reason, its disposal has not generated much interest to date;
2. However, the use of artificial turf is increasing in the city. If the experience of municipalities in the US or in Europe can be considered as a guide, once present, their use tends to proliferate and includes city as well as school fields.
3. As is the case in Ottawa, the synthetic turf industry has promoted the use of artificial turf fields as products that use "recycled" materials. A closer look at what is captured by the term recycled raises concerns.
4. Artificial turf sports fields, in essence, are comprised of a plastic, grass-like, carpet, that is spread over top with infill. In the case of athletic fields, the typical infill product of choice is recycled tire rubber crumb.
5. The recycling process that produces used tire rubber crumb infill essentially involves shredding used tires that have had their metal component removed and spreading the pellets on artificial turf fields. Recycled tire rubber crumb continues to contain the hazardous chemicals that one finds in used tires, including PAHs (the science on health impacts of exposure to rubber crumb contains significant gaps at the moment, but position of most governments, including Canada, is that there would not be sufficient exposure to the chemicals found in the crumb to cause harm to a players' health).
6. Each artificial turf field is spread with between 110,000 – 120,000 kilos of used tire rubber crumb at installation. The rubber crumb is in the form of tiny pellets

that adhere to athletic shoes/boots, socks, and other clothing. In that way it migrates into the environment, and enters the water system through laundry and other means. The rubber crumb also gets broken down, and carried away, and washed away by rain into the environment. At least 100 kilos of used tire rubber crumb will need to be replaced at the Immaculata high school field annually, providing some indication of the amount that migrates into environment each year.

7. At a field's end of life, the tire rubber crumb spills further, and often, again, ends up in landfill.
8. The plastic carpet breaks down over time and releases micro-plastics into the environment.
9. Once the plastic carpet has reached end of use (for regular heavy use 8-10 years) it often is taken back by the installer for what is called "open loop" recycling.
10. "Open loop" recycling means that the turf company repurposes and supplies the turf for other uses, and what can't be reused is either incinerated or disposed of in landfill.
11. The plastic carpet that is repurposed is already degrading, and continues to release microplastics into the environment. Moreover, once re-sold, there is no tracking of eventual disposal.

From what I have seen to date, a couple of general observations can be made:

1. There has been little scrutiny of the true environmental impacts of artificial turf to date. Most municipalities and school boards seem to rely upon the sales literature produced by the synthetic turf industry.
2. In those cases where municipalities have invested in artificial turf on a larger scale over a period of time, the question of disposal of fields has become a growing concern. In February of this year, there was a house bill introduced in the state of Maryland: "Requiring a person to dispose of synthetic turf and turf infill only in a certain hazardous waste facility or closed-loop recycling facility; prohibiting a person from incinerating synthetic turf and turf infill; requiring the Department of the Environment to establish a system for tracking the chain of custody of synthetic turf and turf infill; requiring the Department to publish the chain of custody on its website; etc." This bill was opposed by the Synthetic Turf Council, and the Tire Industry Association, and withdrawn.

3. Federal and provincial governments have been quite supportive of the recycled tire rubber crumb industry as it addresses the problem of used tires accumulating in hazardous waste facilities, and also, provides a profitable use for used tires.

Ultimately, with each artificial turf field, we are dealing with an athletic field sized plastic carpet that has been filled with about 120 tonnes of shredded used tires, and there is no true recycling protocol in place to deal with this amount of plastic and shredded used tires. Again, there are relatively few of these types of surfaces currently installed in Ottawa. This early stage in artificial turf use provides the city with an opportunity to look closely at the environmental impacts of artificial turf fields, and at the impact of their disposal in these early days, before their use becomes a problem that is “too expensive to solve” as has happened in high-use areas like the Netherlands.

Particularly now that the city of Ottawa has declared a climate emergency, perhaps it would be timely to take closer look at a number of environmental impacts of artificial turf, but, especially on their contribution to microplastics, as well as tire crumb into the environment, as well as the impact of their disposal.

Thank you to everyone for having expressed some interest in this issue.

Alexandra

2. Springhurst Park/Rideau River Nature Trail Park Waste Infrastructure: I have been in discussion with Ariela Summit regarding the need for adequate waste disposal infrastructure at Springhurst Park, but most especially at the Rideau River Nature Trail Park (L-shaped greenspace adjacent to 170 Lees), and the Rideau River Nature Trail. The longstanding issue of irresponsible management of the apartment waste dumpster at the southern end of the apartment complex was also raised. Ariela has been contacted by other community members on this issue as well, and is actively working towards a solution.
3. Rebecca Aird will represent SLOE at an upcoming meeting on June 18, 2019 that aims to provide coordinated community input regarding the identification of and advocacy for initiatives that will target addressing climate change within the City's Official Plan (currently under review). This first planning meeting is being jointly organized by Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability (CAFES),

Greenspace Alliance for Canada's Capital, Ecology Ottawa, and the Federation of Citizen's Associations (FCA).

Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay

Appendix D

June 2019 Monthly Meeting

Transportation Report

Good evening Madame Chair and Board members. I regret my absence tonight but we had a prior commitment that could not be moved.

The Transportation report has five points:

1. Parks Canada has approached the Councillor's office with a request to extend its conditional exemption to the noise by-law until July 9th, regarding the Rideau Canal wall-restoration project.
2. Greenfield/Main/Hawthorne 2nd PAC was held and a Public Information Session is scheduled for next Tuesday at St Paul starting at 7 PM.
3. One of the pedestrian crossing lights at the Concord-Greenfield intersection was again taken out by a large truck, but half the feature continues to operate.
4. The City Council Transportation Committee met to review the Transportation Master Plan scope of work and terms of reference (with both a Pedestrian Plan and a Cycling Plan) and a link to the Official Plan update already underway; the Committee also received reports on PXOs (pedestrian safety crossings), cycling safety, adult crossing-guard standards, and acquisition of pavement marking equipment for roadway enhancements.
5. The pedestrian crossing safety review for Lees Avenue between Main and LRT will continue, from a viewpoint of mid-Avenue schools crossings and better LRT access toward Chestnut.

Discussion

1. Parks Canada established a single point of contact for any concerns about the reconstruction project for the Rideau Canal walls across from 111 Echo Drive to King's Landing. The City has now received a second request for an exemption to the noise by-law to carry to from June 9th to July 9th.
2. The first PAC meeting for members of the community directly impacted by the Greenfield project was held at St. Paul's on April 2nd and we reported on the outcomes at the last meeting; the second PAC meeting was held on Tuesday, June 4 from 7 to 9 PM at St. Paul to review additional community inputs and the results of preliminary on-site survey updates. There was also feed-back from City staff that a request for buried services along Hawthorne was not supported. This was a preparatory session as well for the first drop-in style Public Information Session, open to all, which will be held on Tuesday, June 18th, with the City staff and consultants on hand to explain planning to date and answer questions, also at St. Paul's.
3. Anyone with information about the most-recent damage to the PXO standard at Concord and Greenfield is asked to call 311.
4. All of the information from the Transportation Committee meeting of Wednesday, June 5th, is available on the City Hall website.

The City guidelines for PXOs have been updated to align with Provincial standards. At the Transportation Committee, we raised concerns with the staff report about the effectiveness and adequacy of the communications strategy and asked that the City continue with greater efforts in its media outreach and also to engage communities in the Outaouais whose drivers may frequent City streets, as well as provincial and national trucking associations; we also asked the City to review with the Province the standard of using yellow flashing lights (proceed with caution) at PXOs instead of red (stop).

5. The new guidelines for adult crossing guards may preclude our request for a guard at the Main intersections with Lees or Evelyn since guards are not supposed to control multiple lane roadways. However, this would not be true for Lees Avenue itself closer to Rosemere or Chestnut, but a number of at least 10 elementary-school-aged students morning and evening is one of the key criteria.

Finally, and as requested last month, please keep sending me (tscot9401@rogers.com) your observations on traffic incidents and, while especially those that relate to the Main Complete Street development and the safety audit report, please also watch for items that we can continue to feed into the planning and design process for the Hawthorne/Greenfield/North Main reconstruction project.

Deschâtelets / School Proposal Update

OOECA - June 2019

- The Regional Group and the French Catholic Board (Conseil des écoles catholique du Centre-Est: CECCE) continue to negotiate a “letter of intent” that would pave the way for the Conseil’s purchase of the Deschâtelets building.
- The Conseil now is operating its central elementary school (“Au Coeur d’Ottawa) at 88 Main. It’s leased from the English Catholic Board (OCSB) for another year.
- The Conseil has funding for a new school and there is some urgency for them to get a deal completed and construction started.
- When the possibility of a new school in Greystone Village was previously discussed at OOECA, there was a mixed response. Some individuals were keen on having this option for their children while others were concerned about the future of the previously consulted-upon “Forecourt” park in front of Deschâtelets, the impact of more school buses and cars dropping off and picking up students, and additional institutional buildings and related use in OOE.
- Subsequently, the Conseil requested a meeting with CAG and OOECA to begin consultations about a possible school in Deschâtelets. Don Stephenson and Carol Workun represented CAG and I represented OOECA.
- The Conseil would need only about a third of the space in Deschatelets for a school that could have up to 300 students. So they are interested in having partners, particularly CAG and the City, for a long-sought-after standard-sized community centre and also partners who could create affordable housing in Deschâtelets. (Note: CAG - not OOECA - has the primary operational interest in a new community centre.)

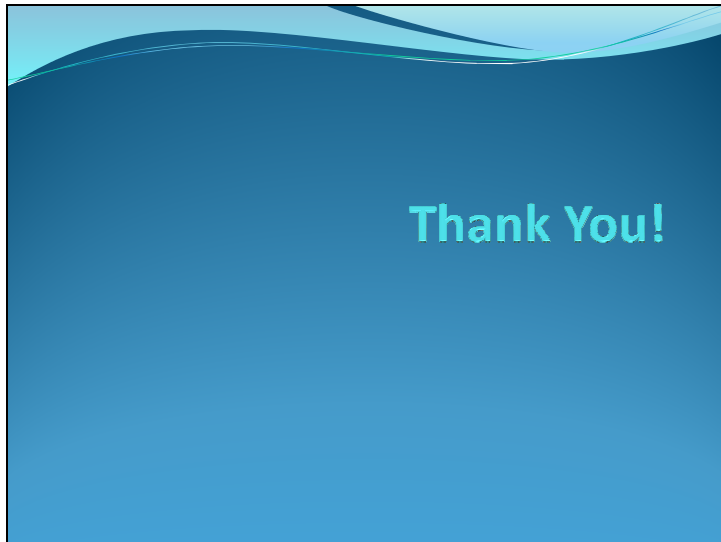
- The City and Regional have also discussed a new community centre on the site, including having a new, large multi-purpose facility (large meetings, gymnasium) immediately to the north of the Deschâtelets building. This could also serve as a school's gymnasium.
- According to Réjean Sirois, the Conseil's director of education, the new school would not have any adverse impact on the planned Forecourt park. On the east side of Deschâtelets - not on the front/Forecourt side - the Board could be interested in having a fenced area for a childcare centre.
- Also, he is of the view that there would be little new school bus activity because many of the students walk or bike to school.
- Their education model is a Finnish one, based on lots of outdoors activity so that the river corridor and adjacent parks would work for them.
- If Regional and CECCE do sign a "letter of intent to purchase/sell," CECCE will approach OOECA this summer to seek its support for rezoning of the Deschâtelets building. The building is currently zoned as GM (General Mixed Use), but previously was institutional. Support from the community - tentatively expressed through a mutually acceptable "letter of interest" - is seen as important to help achieve approval from the City.
- One related issue is the fate of Deschâtelets' chapel. Although relatively new (built in 1950), the chapel was included in the heritage designation that was given to the main building. Thus far Regional has not figured out any potential use for the chapel (for instance, it is too small to be a gymnasium / multi-purpose space) and they've encountered serious structural problems with it.
- From what I've seen so far, the CECCE is showing a degree of openness that was sadly missing with OCSB's efforts on the new playing field at Immaculata.
- If the school were to go ahead, the main Deschâtelets building would be preserved, there would be the potential of finally getting a decent community centre and even

some affordable housing. And having a new elementary school would provide and attractive option for parents in OOE and neighbouring communities.

- So I'm seeking general support for the Board executive committee (president, VP, secretary, treasurer and past-president) to meet this summer with CECCE to discuss how to move forward. We would also propose having a public meeting where the CECCE would present its proposal.

Appendix F

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Social Housing

- Rent is geared to 30% of the gross income;
- Waiting list varies from 8 to 12 years;
- As of December 31, 2018, there are over 12,000 individuals and families on the Social Housing Registry chronological wait list
- There are priorities for people who are:
 - Homeless
 - Fleeing domestic violence
 - Living with a life threatening illness that can be remediated if moved
 - At risk of harm
- In 2018, very few individuals or families were housed off the wait list without having priority status

Average Private Market Rents in Ottawa – June 2019

- \$1,100 Bachelor apartment (Padmapper)
- \$1,479 One-bedroom apartment (Padmapper)
- \$1,650 Two-bedroom apartment (Padmapper)
- \$2,000 Three-bedroom unit (Padmapper)
- \$2,500 Four-bedroom unit (Padmapper)

The current vacancy rate is less than 1%. Finding housing is increasingly difficult and very expensive. The rents units available on the private market increased 15% in 2018 alone.

Core Housing Need

- In 2017, **42%** of Ottawa households spent over 30% of their income on rent and utilities (Alliance to End Homelessness Ottawa 2017 Annual Report)
- In 2017, **20%** of Ottawa households spent over 50% of their income on rent and utilities (Alliance to End Homelessness Ottawa 2017 Annual Report)

Causes for current housing crisis

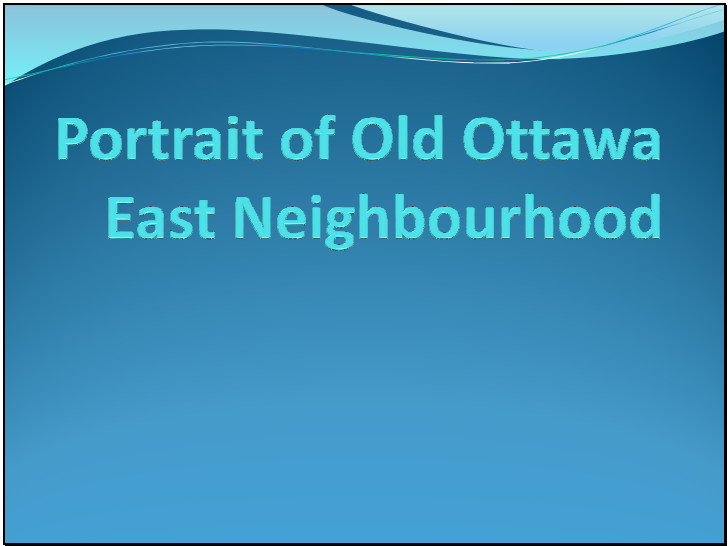
- Not enough social housing is being built
- Not enough affordable housing is being built
- Scarcity of the private rental market stock
- Marked increase of short-term rentals
- Increasing rental prices in the private market
- Growing inequity

Impacts of the current housing crisis – Increased Homelessness

- More individuals and families in homeless shelters – they have been full for years
- In 2016, the City of Ottawa paid for an average of 42 families to live in motels every night
 - Increased to over 120 in 2017
 - Increased to over 200 in 2018
- Increased number of people sleeping rough
- Impact on the number of 'hidden homeless'

Impacts of the current housing crisis – Social Costs

- Increase in crime
- Increase in insurance costs
- Increase in poverty
- Increase in overall health care costs
- Increase of carbon emissions
- Decrease in opportunities



Housing types

	OOE	Average
% single detached home	12.7	42.9
% high rise	53.8	18.5
% semi-detached	6.3	5.5
% row houses	13.7	20.6
% duplex	2.9	1.9
% lowrise	10	10.25
% other	0.2	0.1

Period of construction of dwelling

	OOE	Average
1960 or before	27.3	19.7
1961 – 1980	24.2	32.4
1981 – 1990	27.9	18.2
1991 – 2000	17.1	12.2
2001 – 2005	3.1	8.5
2016 – 2011	1.2	8.4

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Household income spent on shelter costs

	OOE	Average
% spending less than 30% of household income on shelter costs	64.1	77.3
%spending more than 30% of household income on shelter costs	36	22.7

Household income before tax income

	OOE	Average
% under \$20K	21.2	9.6
% \$20 – 50K	26.2	19.5
% \$50 – 80K	18.8	20.9
% \$80 – 125K	15.2	23.6
% \$125 – 150K	4.8	8.4
% \$150 +	14.8	17.7

Income distribution

	OOE	Average
% in bottom half of Canadian income distribution	49.9	35.3
% in top half of Canadian income distribution	50.1	64.7

Low income (after taxes)

	OOE	Average
% population aged under 18 living on low income	23.5	16
% population aged 18 – 64 living on low income	25.5	11.6
% population aged 65 + living on low income	13.5	6.1

Employment status

	OOE	Average
% employed	69.1	64.5
% unemployed	6.4	4.8
% not in work force (seniors, fixed income, single income families)	24.5	30.7

Household tenures

	OOE	Average
% homeowners	31.3	67.3
% tenant	68.8	32.7

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Age

	OOE	Average
0 – 9	5.6	11.1
10 – 19	6.6	12.3
20 – 29	35.6	14.4
30 – 39	16	13.4
40 – 49	10.6	15.6
50 – 59	10.5	14.3
60 – 69	7.9	9.8
70 – 79	3.9	5.4
80 and over	3.3	3.7

Family structure

	OOE	Average
% couples no kids	57.5	38.2
% couples with kids	29	45
% lone parent families	13.6	16.1
% female lone-parent families	9.8	12.8
% male lone-parent families	3.7	3.2

Children in family by age

	OOE	Average
% under 6	27.9	21.4
% 6-14	26.4	32.6
% 15 - 17	9.3	12.2
% 18 - 24	21.4	22.2
% 25+	13.5	11.6

Household size

	OOE	Average
% 1	39.5	28.2
% 2	41.1	33
% 3	11.5	15.8
% 4	5.6	15
% 5	1.7	5.4
% 6 and +	0.4	2.6

Residents' living arrangements

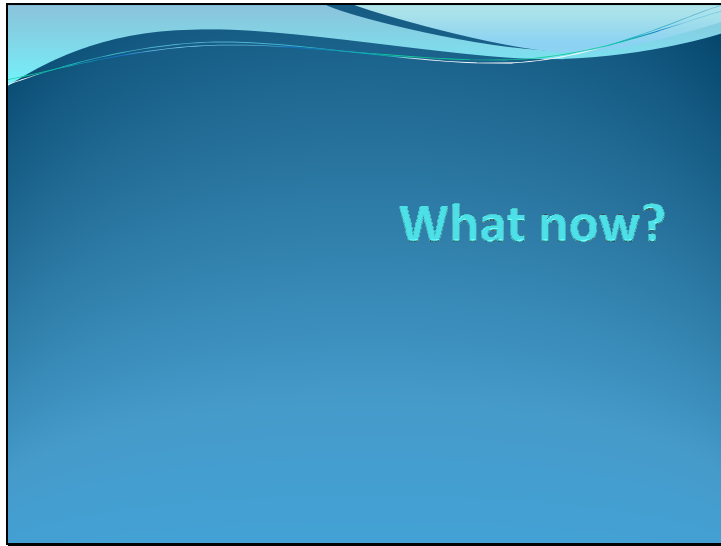
	OOE	Average
% living with relatives	4	2.1
% living with non-relatives	20.7	9.9
% living alone	20.9	11.5
% living in census family	54.4	81.5

Seniors' living arrangements

	OOE	Average
% seniors living with relatives	1.3	5.1
% seniors living with non-relatives	5.3	1.8
% seniors living alone	28.9	26
% seniors living in census families	63.2	67.1

Visible minority

	OOE	Average
% visible	22.6	23.7
% non	77.5	76.3



Inclusionary zoning

- Ottawa - especially in proximity to transit corridors
- Number for healthy city – heavily debated
- Current situation in Ottawa

Other things to look at