City of Ottawa

Grande Allée Trees - Old Ottawa East

The Old Ottawa East Community Association requests that the City of Ottawa plant additional trees in the new Grande Allée Park within the Greystone Village neighbourhood of Old Ottawa East and that it ensures that the width of the Grande Allée corridor, as currently defined by the southern faces of the two new buildings between des Oblats Avenue and the Grande Allée, applies all along the Grande Allée, from Main Street to the Forecourt Park in front of the Deschâtelets Building.

Specifically, we urge the City to plant additional trees between and to the west of the new trees that were added during the course of the creation of the Grande Allée Park and between other trees along the Allée where these other trees are in poor health. Our objective here is to ensure that the Allée is lined and well-shaded by two rows of thriving trees so that when failing trees are removed there will be succession trees of substantial size.

In terms of ensuring that the width of the Grande Allée corridor is maintained, The Regional Group's draft plan for "Greystone Forecourt" encroaches on the Allée's viewscape from Main Street and would narrow the width of the Allée. Furthermore, the proposed new units near the Allée could limit the root zone for large canopy trees in this section.

We appreciate that Regional is currently making some changes to its draft plans but we want to ensure that City staff are fully aware that the community association will oppose any development that is not consistent with what the City approved for the 6 and 10 des Oblats buildings.

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