



## Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, November 12, 2024, 7 p.m. ET

**Agenda and Zoom meeting details:**

**[OttawaEast.ca/events/2024-agm/](https://OttawaEast.ca/events/2024-agm/)**

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## Agenda

1. Call to order; Welcome and land acknowledgement
2. Remarks from MP Naqvi, MPP Harden, Councillor Menard
3. Approval of 2024 AGM agenda, 2023 AGM minutes ([Archive](#))
4. Chair's report: 2023-2024 year in brief, 2024-2025 look ahead
5. Treasurer's report
6. Elections for vacant board positions
7. Open forum
8. Adjournment

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<h2>1. Welcome</h2>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Land acknowledgement</li><li>• Housekeeping details</li></ul>	

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# Opening remarks

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## 2. Opening Remarks



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**Councillor  
Shawn Menard**

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### 3. Approval of agenda and minutes

- Motion to approve the 2024 AGM agenda
- Motion to approve the 2023 AGM minutes

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### 4. Chair’s report (including committee reports)

<p><b>Planning</b></p> 	<p><b>Transportation and Infrastructure</b></p> 	<p><b>Membership</b></p> 
<p><b>Lansdowne</b></p> 	<p><b>Health and Safety</b></p> 	<p><b>Parks and Greenspace</b></p> 
<p><b>The Corners on Main Greystone Village Lees</b></p> 	<p><b>Federation of Citizens’ Associations (FCA)</b></p> 	<p><b>Sustainable Living Ottawa East (SLOE)</b></p> 

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# Membership



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## Membership

(Chair: Jayson MacLean, Second-in-Command: Wendy McRae)

### Highlights

- Membership numbers were lower last year (377 sold compared to 537 for the previous year).  
Improvements put in place for the 2024 membership drive:
  - Online payment is working better via e-transfer and through better promotion on the OOECA website (thanks Kristine Houde!)
  - Main Event membership table did well
  - A concerted effort by volunteers in the Greystone area has yielded great results

### Thank you

- Thank you to our volunteer canvassers, table-sitters, and area captains: Kristine Houde, Isabelle Panier-Brown, Nancy McDonald, and Denise Inglis!
- Special thanks to the Mainstreeter for promoting the membership drive.
- Thanks to the Singing Pebble for being our in-shop membership stop.
- Thanks to the Ottawa Farmers Market for giving us a space at the Main Market during the fall drive.

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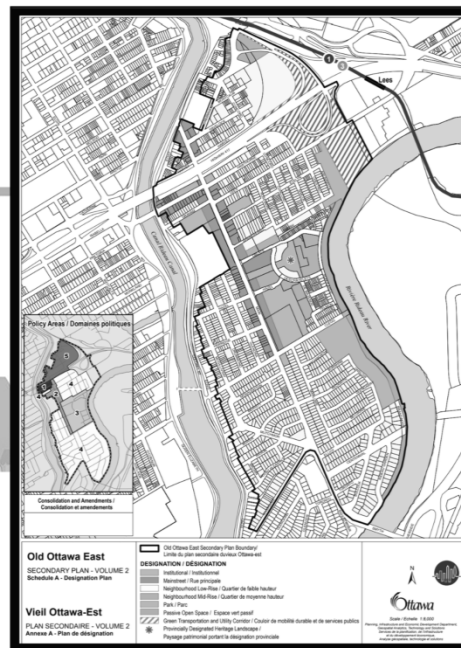
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# Planning



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## New Zoning By-law Nouveau règlement de zonage



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## Planning (Chair: Vacant)

### Highlights

- Unsuccessfully objected to several provincial government bills that prevent CAs and others from appealing zoning and committee of adjustment decisions.
- Worked with Councillor and City staff to ensure OOE Secondary Plan (OOESP) is not diminished by the proposed new zoning by-law.
- Prepared "Minor Variances: A Resident's Guide". Sought improvements to many development proposals including GV Phase 4 (Forecourt) 185 Hawthorne.
- With Lansdowne Committee and neighbouring community associations, sought major improvements to proposed entertainment centre and northside stands of Lansdowne 2.0

### Look ahead

- Ensure OOESP are respected by new zoning by-law.
- Advocate for importance of neighbourhood and community well-being in face of intensification with little or no consideration of local impact.
- Ensure large canopy trees are planted and thrive along street frontages and in the rear yards. This means adequately-sized front and rear yards and such things as developers being prevented from building underground structures that remove critical areas for tree roots. [Repeat from last year]
- We need a committee chair!

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# Lansdowne



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## Lansdowne (Chair: Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay)

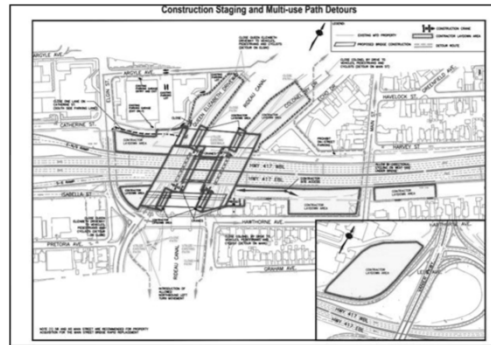
### Highlights

- Auditor General's "agile audit" concluded that construction estimates for Lansdowne 2.0 could be understated by \$77 million
- The revised figure for the project could be as much as \$515.0 million, to be funded by the City with the bulk coming from 40-year city debt. As a "legacy" project there is no limit on the amount that property taxes could be increased to finance Lansdowne debt.
- The Urban Design Review Panel (UDRP) expressed several serious concerns that include: "the design [of the park] being reconfigured for vehicular access;" "a significant reduction in the [greenspace] berm;" and the "lack of a planted green roof" [proposed roof covering is green-coloured PVC thermoplastic]
- OOECA supported the Glebe Community Association in their Ontario Land Tribunal Appeal over the loss of greenspace at Lansdowne with a \$500 donation. While a hearing had been set for October, the Ontario government passed Bill 185 and extinguished the CGA's and other OLT third-party appeals
- A petition for a city-wide referendum on Lansdowne 2.0 can be found at [BetterOttawa.ca/Lansdowne/](https://BetterOttawa.ca/Lansdowne/)

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# Transportation and Infrastructure



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## Transportation and Infrastructure (Chair: Tom Scott)

### Highlights

- Greenfield/Main/Hawthorne (GMH) Reconstruction Project
- MTO Downtown Bridges Environmental Assessment and Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR)
- Community inputs to the City of Ottawa Transportation Master Plan (TMP) Update and AVTC
- Community inputs to the City's Infrastructure Master Plan (IMP) Update - looking for integration and planning synergies among the various master plan updates within the Official Plan

### Look ahead

- CP Railway Bridge (Rideau River) review
- MTO Rideau Canal Bridge temporary repairs
- More GMH project work into its third year, including hydro lines underground
- Clarifications for IMP and TMP updates to go to Council:
  - How does City plan to make use of the AVTC-reserved lands over the next 25 to 50 years?
  - How will City deal with Ottawa River intakes upstream contamination, including nuclear materials?

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# Parks and Greenspace



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## Parks and Greenspace (Chair: Vacant)

### Highlights

- Grande Allée park opened, home to Ottawa Main Farmers' Market; Great meeting place for residents and visitors; Saw lots of activity during The Main Event in September.
- Springhurst dock construction completed Fall 2024 with mixed reviews re: accessibility, usability. City confirmed 2025 plans for Brantwood path/dock accessibility, hopefully with resident/CA involvement.
- Other parks and greenspace improvements thanks to residents' input, councillor and city collaboration (Brantwood 3-bin recycling program, Springhurst basketball court resurfacing, Brantwood footpath repairs)

### Look ahead

- Ensure community input is reflected in design and solutions for OOE community centre, Forecourt park. Submit recommendations in writing to councillor and city for response and action.
- Contribute to collective efforts to remove Alta Vista Transport Corridor from city plans, save Peoples' Park.
- Work towards lasting stewardship of the Greystone Village riverfront, including 30-meter corridor.
- Special projects: Explore Hurdman national urban park feasibility (led by Jamie Brougham); Explore grants.

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# Health and Safety



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## Health and Safety (Chair: Georgia Blondon)

### Highlights

- In Spring of 2024, Constable James Kennedy took over the role of OOE police liaison officer. Health and Safety (H&S) chair has had regular meetings with the constable to share OOE and resident concerns on topics such as car thefts and break-ins, and safety issues like drug paraphernalia in some local parks and vacant lots.
  - Contact the City at 311 to request an area be cleaned up. Report break-in's and thefts at 911.
  - To learn more on substance use and other OPH resources, consult [OttawaPublicHealth.ca](https://ottawapublichealth.ca)
- We support the [Seniors' Health Innovation Hub \(SHIH\)](#). Consult the OSCA website for SHIH information.
- We identify and share resources and events that support community member health, wellbeing, and safety.

### Look ahead

- Cst. Kennedy looks forward to presenting yearly report via Zoom at an upcoming monthly meeting in 2025.
- We will work to make the committee more visible to our community and encourage residents to share safety and health concerns with Georgia at [Health@OttawaEast.ca](mailto:Health@OttawaEast.ca).
- We will liaison with SHIH as they spearhead initiatives for aging in place with OOECA and other associations.

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## Corners on Main, Greystone Village, Lees



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### Corners on Main, Greystone Village, Lees (Chair: Peter Tobin)

#### Highlights

- After extensive research and consultation, Adriana Beaman withdrew her appeal in opposition to the proposed convent site development; the appeal process achieved improved communication and cooperation.
- Contaminated soil removed from the convent site; demolition of the interior structure continues to at least year's end.
- J:Fuse Sushi restaurant and Xing Fu Tang Bubble Tea shop opened.

#### Looking ahead

- BarBurrito has leased the former Beans and Greens location on Main and will open in early 2025.
- Vets on Main will open in the spring of 2025.
- The Grand Allee will continue to attract more visits, especially from families.

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# Federation of Citizens' Associations

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## Federation of Citizens' Associations (Ron Rose)

### Highlights

- led the fight to preserve, and make more equitable, the City's insurance policies, and negotiated with City to develop wording of future insurance coverage allowing CAs to undertake activities, e.g., street parties, community BBQs.
- Coordinated member ass'n activities to understand and react to City's proposed new Zoning By-Law (ZBL). Established Planning and Zoning sub-committee to review, understand, and advise members on ZBL proposals
- On behalf of its member Associations (from Orleans to Barrhaven to Kanata), supported the efforts Capital Ward CAs to oppose Lansdowne 2.0 approval.

### Challenges

- Monitor development of 2025 City budget to ensure adequate funds for agreed-upon CA comprehensive insurance program. Seek improved transparency in City budget preparation to ensure large items (i.e., LRT expansion, Lansdowne 2.0, social housing) are dealt with in a clear and transparent fashion.
- Continue to seek clarity in the proposed ZBL being revised this Spring and finalized for Council in Fall 2025.
- Work to establish legitimacy among Council members who have begun to question whether the FCA actually represents the views of the citizens of Ottawa.

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# SLOE

Chair: Vacant




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## 5. Treasurer's report (figures valid as of October 8, 2024)

Item	Income (\$)	Expenses (\$)	Totals (\$)
<b>OOECA account 11 October 2023</b>			<b>20,181.18</b>
Memberships sold	2,515.00		
Donations when debugging e-transfers	10.02		
Main Event BBQ revenue	1,653.05		
FCA membership		40.00	
CAFES membership		100.00	
Directors' and Officers' insurance (for 2024)		702.00	
Rideau Winter Trail donation		500.00	
Entrance garden water cost		30.00	
Contributions to causes (Appeals: 15 Oblats, Lansdowne 2.0)		1,000.00	
Support for November 11 events		175.00	
Main Event BBQ expenses		934.05	
Totals (as of 8 October 2024)	4,178.07	3,481.05	
<b>OOECA account 8 October 2024</b>			<b>20,878.20</b>

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## 6a. Board elections - Current board members

**President:** Bob Gordon

**Vice-President:** Catherine Pacella

**Past-president:** Phyllis Odenbach Sutton

**Secretary:** Vacant

**Treasurer:** Don Fugler

**Members at large:**

John Dance, Gregg Whetton, Suzanne Johnston

**Admin/IT/Web/Communications:**

Bob Gordon, Kristine Houde

**Committees (in alphabetical order)**

**Federation of Citizens' Associations:** Ron Rose

**Health & Safety:** Georgia Blondon

**Lansdowne:** Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay

**Membership:** Jayson Maclean

**Parks & Greenspace:** Vacant

**Planning:** Vacant

**Sustainable Living Ottawa East:** Vacant

**The Corners/Greystone/Lees:** Peter Tobin

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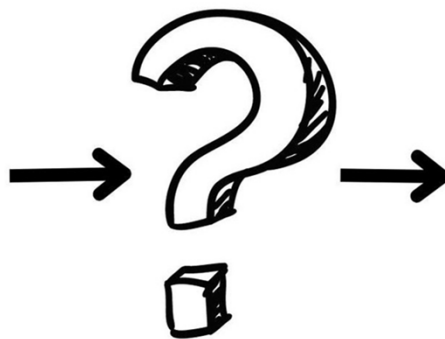
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# Help OOECA design our new logo

**Answer our survey at [bit.ly/3ASWTFh](https://bit.ly/3ASWTFh)**



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## 7. Open forum

- OOECA logo survey - Answer 3 short questions at [bit.ly/3ASWTFh](https://bit.ly/3ASWTFh)
- Greenfield, Main, Hawthorne project updates – See OOECA [News](#)
- Community partner events, fundraisers – See OOECA [Events](#)

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## 8. Adjournment

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