



**General Meeting Wednesday, January 16, 2019 from 7:00pm
Richmond Room, Nepean Sportsplex, 1701 Woodroffe Ave.
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Upcoming Dates:

January 17	7p.m. Urban Forum, City Hall
January 21	Martin Luther King Day
January 23	10 a.m. City Council
January 24	9 a.m. NCC Board Meeting
February 6	10 a.m. City Budget Presentation
February 14	9:30 a.m. City Planning Committee
March 6	10 a.m. City Budget Vote

Next FCA General Meeting – Wednesday, February 20

1. Agenda item 3 Tanglewood Hillsdale Community

The Tanglewood Hillsdale Community Association maintains an active website at <https://thca.ca/>. The neighbourhood is located in Knoxdale-Merivale ward (ward 9).

2. Agenda item 4. Speed-dating: an explanation

Meeting participants are to meet with experts in small groups for timed discussions. Participants will circulate from table to table. Ideally three to six participants will meet with a given expert at a time. It may not be possible for a participant to meet every expert present.

3. Agenda items 5 and 7. City Services

At the time this draft agenda is prepared, experts are now confirmed from the following city units: Health Protection, Community Development Framework, Library Services, Emergency & Protective Services, Parks & Recreation, and Planning Infrastructure & Economic Development. Additional experts will probably join us on the day, please check the FCA website (go to the posting for the Jan. 16 meeting under What's New) for an up-dated listing.

4. Agenda item 8. Abbreviated business meeting

(a) President's Update

Quick reports

i) A successful public information session was held January 9 dealing with proposals for revision of site plan control and with the services of the new Local Planning Appeal Support Centre (LPASC). The two presentations are found on the FCA website at

Site Plan - <http://fca-fac.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/190109SP.pdf>

LPASC - <http://fca-fac.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/190109LP.pdf>

For regular updates on LPASC, you can subscribe to their newsletter at

<https://www.lpasc.ca/subscribe/>

ii) Healthy Transportation Coalition is organizing a transit riders workshop for Saturday January 26. Details are at <https://www.healthytransportation.ca/events>

iii) Public consultations on the City Budget for 2019 have been announced. A listing of the meetings is found at <https://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/public-engagement/projects/councillor-led-public-consultation-meeting-dates#1334801>

(B) Bill 66 – Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act

This proposed new omnibus legislation contains, among other things, sweeping changes aimed at fast-tracking approval of new development if it causes significant new employment and economic development.

Ontario municipalities would be given the option to develop their own tailor-made "Open for Business" bylaws should they wish to do so, subject to certain conditions. We do not yet know whether Ottawa will wish to do so and if so, under what conditions.

In the case of a city of Ottawa's size, key eligibility requirements include the creation of at least 100 new jobs, significant economic development and pre-approval of any proposed municipal bylaw by the province's Minister of Municipal Affairs.

The following links set out the main provisions of Bill 66:

Bill 66, Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act, 2018

<https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/013-4293#proposal-details>

New regulation under the Planning Act for Open for Business

<https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/013-4239>

From the Province's summary of Schedule 10 amends of the Planning Act, the stream-lined process would:

- "Allow municipalities to permit the use (i.e., zone the lands) without having to strictly adhere to existing local requirements (e.g., official plan and zoning);
- Remove the application of separate approval process for site plan control;
- Remove ability to use density bonusing (community benefits in exchange for height or density) and holding by-law provisions;
- Allow the municipality to impose limited planning-related conditions that may help to facilitate the proposal (e.g. approval of plans and drawings that show site plan matters (transportation access, lighting, parking, etc.) and enter into agreements to ensure development conditions are secured;
- Allow public consultation at the discretion of the the municipality, while requiring public notice after the by-law is passed (at a minimum);
- Provide that decisions are final and cannot be appealed to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (but allow the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to intervene before the by-law comes into effect, 20 days after its passing);
- Remove the requirement for decisions to strictly adhere to provincial policies and provincial plans (but allow the Minister of Housing to impose conditions to protect matters like public health and safety when endorsing the use of the tool)".

In addition, the legislation would repeal the Toxics Reduction Act, 2009 in 2021. (The Act requires owners of regulated facilities to develop and implement a toxic materials reduction plan). The legislation also would allow municipalities to sidestep certain health and safety protections provided under the province's Clean Water Act.

Key FCA Concerns with the proposed legislation are:

- Short-circuiting the safeguards of the Planning Act, the Official Plan and the Provincial Policy Statement.
- Weakening of health, safety, and environmental protections, such as the Clean Water Act, adopted in response to the Walkerton water tragedy.
- Undermining core governance principles including:
 - (a) elimination of the requirement for public consultation, especially with respect to large, impactful, development proposals
 - (b) the loss of the right of appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal and from Ministerial decisions
 - (c) the creation of selective regulatory measures creating uncertainty for prospective investors and for all Ontarians.

PROPOSED ACTION: At the January 16, General Meeting, the FCA Executive will seek members' approval to voice its concerns to the Province by the 20 January 2019 deadline for public comment

(c) Transportation Committee

With respect to the City Budget for 2019, the FCA Transportation Committee indicated at the December General Meeting that it would propose the following motion at the January meeting:

That the FCA recommend to Ottawa City Council to provide resources for:

- ***a cyclist/vehicle driver public education campaign on how to share Ottawa's streets safely,***
- ***additional resources to enhance winter sidewalk maintenance to improve walkability,***
- ***development of a Vision Zero program to eliminate traffic deaths by a target year,***

- *expanding traffic calming on residential streets,*
- *development of a transit fare strategy to improve transit ridership, and*
- *additional resources to Para Transpo to meet the needs of its disabled and elderly clients.*

(d) Representation on Standing Committees

Several communities have expressed concern about the representation of city regions on Standing Committees for the 2019-2022 Term of Council. As an example, a letter from three associations in Capital Ward is found at <http://fca-fac.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/1901GLB.pdf>