

Federation of Citizens' Associations of Ottawa
General Meeting – September 9, 2015 – 7:15 pm
Jules Morin Park Fieldhouse, 400 Clarence Street East (behind Le Patro d'Ottawa)
Draft Agenda

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| 1. Welcome and Introduction | 05 |
| 2. Welcome to Guests: Gary Sealey | 02 |
| 3. Approval of draft agenda | 02 |
| 4. Introduction to Lowertown Community Association | 05 |
| 5. Overview of Ward 12 (Rideau-Vanier) and its priorities: Councillor Mathieu Fleury | 05 |
| 6. Presentation followed by discussion/workshop: | 60 |
| "Linking City of Ottawa Priority Planning with FCA Initiatives" | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of City Strategic Plan – Steve Box, Director Corporate Programmes and Business Services • Councillor team consultation - Mathieu Fleury and Keith Egli • Highlighting a dozen potentially attractive City initiatives - Lorne Cutler • Group interaction: 'dotocracy' and signing onto the Initiatives - Bob Brocklebank • Connecting FCA planning activity with specific initiatives - Sheila Perry • Summary and follow up - Sheila Perry | |
| 7. Networking Break | 12 |
| 8. Receipt/Approval of Minutes: | 03 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval - May 14 General Meeting • Receipt – May 27, July 8 & August 17 Executive Committee Meetings | |
| 9. Business Arising from the Minutes – follow up action | 02 |
| 10. Treasurer's Report and paid Memberships – Lorne | 02 |
| 11. Committee Reports: | 20 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Regional Voices and Issues – Phil b) Communications and Website – John c) Environment Network – Erwin/Sheila d) Planning update, Infill and OMB - Sheila e) Transportation and Transit – Klaus | |
| 12. OMB reviews and updates – Sheila, Erwin and all | 03 |
| 13. Dates of General Meetings in Fall/Winter Archie Campbell | 02 |
| 14. Open Mike/Additional Items of Business** | 10 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) b) c) | |

Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: October 6, Hintonburg Community Centre, hosted by Greenspace Alliance

**Members short items are welcome during Open Mike at the meeting. Please advise the Chair of the item and provide concise background information noting your item.

Background information for FCA General Meeting of September 9, 2015

Agenda item 6 – Linking City of Ottawa Priority Planning with FCA Initiatives

At its meeting of July 8, City Council adopted its “Term of Council Priorities” to guide the actions of the City up to 2018 (when the next municipal election is to be held).

Related to the priorities, objectives are identified and some 65 initiatives are enumerated to advance those objectives. Lead departments in the City staff structure are named to implement the initiatives and various Council Standing Committees are to assigned responsibility for overseeing progress.

At the same time, it was agreed that a “scorecard” would be prepared to allow Council, and the public, see how work on the initiatives is advancing. Performance measurement tools to prepare the scorecard have been developed. It is proposed that the scorecard be presented to Council mid-way in its mandate (presumably sometime in 2016) and at the end of term in 2018.

The entire package (priorities, objectives, initiatives, responsibilities, measurement) has been produced in one document “City of Ottawa Strategic Plan 2015-2018” which is available on the web at http://documents.ottawa.ca/sites/documents.ottawa.ca/files/documents/2015_2018_strategic_plan_en.pdf

The Strategic Plan provides considerable detail but an overview of the initiatives to be undertaken is found on pages 19 through 22 of the document. Those pages are attached here and they will be the basis for much of the discussion at the September 9 General Meeting.

Citizens’ groups are encouraged to examine the Strategic Plan, to follow with interest the initiatives and to maintain appropriate contact with city staff and elected officials with respect to the four-year plan.

Unfortunately recording of the Council discussion on July 8 is not available on the City website.

Overview of 2015-2018 Term of Council Priorities

| Priority | Strategic Objectives (Lead Dept/SC) | Strategic Initiatives | Lead Dept | SC |
|--|---|--|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Economic Prosperity | EP1 – Promote Ottawa (EDI/FEDC) | 1 Ottawa 2017 Celebrations | EDI | FEDC |
| | EP2 – Support growth of local economy (EDI/FEDC) | 2 Renew and Implement Economic Development Strategy 3 ByWard and Parkdale Market/Sparks Street Mall Renewal | EDI PGM | FEDC FEDC |
| Transportation and Mobility | TM1 – Build a world class environmentally sustainable light rail transit system (RIO/TRC) | 4 Completion of the O-Train’s Confederation Line Light Rail Transit Projects 5 Light Rail Transit Stage 2 Readiness | RIO Stage 2 Office | FEDC FEDC/TRC |
| | TM2 – Provide and promote infrastructure to support safe mobility choices (PGM/TRC) | 6 Transportation Master Plan Phase 1 Road Projects (2015-2018) | PGM | TRC/ARAC |
| | | 7 Transportation Master Plan Phase 1 Cycling Projects (2015-2018) | PGM | TRC |
| | | 8 Transportation Master Plan Phase 1 Pedestrian Projects (2015-2018) | PGM | TRC |
| | TM3 – Integrate the rapid transit and transit priority network into the community (PGM/TRC) | 9 Community Pathways and Connections Program 10 Rideau Street Streetscaping 11 Queen Street Streetscaping | PGM PGM RIO | TRC PC TRC |
| TM4 – Improve safety for all road users (PW/TRC) | 12 Downtown Ottawa Truck Tunnel Feasibility Study 13 Cycling Safety Improvement Program (CSIP) 14 Winter Improvements for Cyclists 15 Traffic, Pedestrian and Road Safety Enhancements | PGM PW PW PW | TRC TRC TRC TRC/ARAC | |
| TM5 – Ensure reliable, safe, accessible and affordable transit services (OCT/TC) | 16 Making the O-Train’s Confederation Line an integrated part of the OC Transpo system | OCT | TC | |

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| Sustainable Environmental Services | ES1 – Support an environmentally sustainable Ottawa (ESD/EC) | 17 Combined Sewage Storage Tunnel (CSST) | ISD | EC |
| | | 18 Water Environment Strategy Phase 2 | ESD | EC/ARAC |
| | | 19 Increase Forest Cover | PW | EC/ARAC |
| | | 20 Air Quality and Climate Change Management Plan | ESD | EC |
| | | 21 Stormwater Management (SWM) Retrofit Master Plan | PGM | EC/ARAC |
| | | 22 Renewable Energy Strategy | ESD | EC |
| | | 23 Bayview Yards Environmental and Geotechnical Development Assessment | REPDO | FEDC |
| | | 24 Urban Forest Management Strategy | PGM | EC |
| | | 25 Urban Natural Area Acquisition Strategy | PGM | PC |
| | ES2 – Reduce long-term costs through planned investment and staging of diversion and conservation strategies (PW/EC) | 26 Waste Diversion in Parks, Buildings and Grounds Services Operations | PW | EC |
| 27 Energy Management and Investment Strategy (2015-2019) | | PW | EC | |
| 28 Large Diameter Watermain Program | | ESD | EC | |
| Healthy and Caring Communities | HC1 – Advance equity and inclusion for the city's diverse population (CSS/CPSC) | 29 Service Enhancements - Accessibility Barrier Removal Program | ISD | FEDC |
| | | 30 Creating an Accessible City for All | CPBS | FEDC |
| | | 31 Inclusive Community Initiative | CSS | CPSC |
| | | 32 Community and Social Services Partnership Capital Funding | CSS | CPSC |

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| Healthy and Caring Communities (continued) | HC2 – Revitalize recreation services (PRC/CPSC) | 33 Modernization of Recreation Services | PRC | CPSC |
| | | 34 Revise Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Facility Allocation Policy | PRC | CPSC |
| | | 35 Develop a Sport Strategy | PRC | CPSC |
| | | 36 Recreation Major/Minor Capital Partnership | PRC | CPSC |
| | | 37 Parks and Recreation Facility Upgrades | PRC | CPSC |
| | | 38 Community Rinks | PRC | CPSC |
| | | 39 Targeted Low-income Recreation Subsidies | PRC | CPSC |
| | HC3 – Create new affordable housing options (CSS/CPSC) | 40 Ten Year Housing and Homelessness Plan | CSS | CPSC |
| | | 41 Building Better Revitalized Neighbourhoods | PGM | PC |
| | HC4 – Support Arts, Heritage, and Culture (PRC/CPSC) | 42 Ottawa Art Gallery Expansion and Arts Court Redevelopment | ISD | FEDC |
| 43 Implementation of the Renewed Action Plan for Arts, Heritage and Culture | | PRC | CPSC | |
| 44 Heritage Reference List | | PGM | PC | |
| HC5 – Develop a Taxi Strategy (EPS/CPSC) | 45 Central Library Development* | OPL | Council | |
| | 46 Taxi Regulation Review | EPS | CPSC | |
| Service Excellence | SE1 – Improve the client experience through established service expectations (SO/FEDC) | 47 Client Centric Service Improvement | SO | FEDC |

*The Central Library Development strategic initiative is overseen by Council through the Ottawa Public Library Board as per the existing governance Terms of Reference. The Central Library Development strategic initiative definition is: Develop an inclusive, dynamic Central Library enabling creation and learning. The performance measure for the initiative is: Complete major project milestones for the development of the Central Library identified for this Term of Council: conclusion of RFP and Council approval by Q4 2016; award contract by Q4 2017; and initiate phase 1 of construction by Q1 2018.

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| Service Excellence (continued) | SE2 – Improve access to City services through digital service delivery (SO/FEDC) | 48 Program Registration, Facilities Booking and Payment System Replacement | PRC | FEDC/ITSC |
| | | 49 Phone and Counter Strategy Implementation | SO | FEDC |
| | | 50 Legacy Technology System Replacement | PGM | FEDC/ITSC |
| | | 51 Open Data Implementation Program | SO | FEDC/ITSC |
| | | 52 Digital Service Strategy and Implementation | SO | FEDC/ITSC |
| | 53 IT Department Transformation | ITS | FEDC/ITSC | |
| | SE3 – Develop positive, effective, and engaged employees committed to the service promise (SO/FEDC) | 54 Implement the Service Promise | SO | FEDC |
| | | 55 Implement the 2015-2018 Corporate People Plan | HR | FEDC |
| Governance, Planning and Decision-Making | GP1 – Strengthen public engagement (CPBS/FEDC) | 56 Improved Public Engagement in Planning Matters | PGM | PC |
| | | 57 Social Media and Public Engagement | CC | FEDC |
| | GP2 – Advance management oversight through tools and processes that support accountability and transparency (CPBS/FEDC) | 58 Comprehensive Asset Management (CAM) | ISD | FEDC |
| | | 59 Project Information Management System (PIMS) | ISD | FEDC |
| | | 60 Enhance Management Oversight and Accountability | CPBS | FEDC |
| Financial Sustainability | FS1 – Demonstrate sound financial management (FIN/FEDC) | 61 Water and Wastewater Rate Structure Review | FIN | EC |
| | | 62 Infrastructure Standards Review | PGM | PC |
| | | 63 Fiscal Framework Refresh | FIN | FEDC |
| | FS2 – Align strategic priorities to Council's financial targets (FIN/FEDC) | 64 Maintain the Property Tax Rate in Accordance with Council's Budget Direction | FIN | FEDC |
| | | 65 Increase Contribution to Capital | FIN | FEDC |

Planning and Zoning issues

Over the summer there have been several planning issues of possible interest to community groups:

Community Design Plans – The effectiveness of community design plans has been questioned in several cases. Notable examples are the application for rezoning Medical Arts Building on Metcalfe which may run counter to the Centretown plan (rezoning debate was deferred from July 8 to August 26 and then on to September 9) and the 560 Rideau project in Sandy Hill which seems to be rushed through prior to the adoption of a plan for the area.

Provincial legislation – The Ontario legislature is considering amendments to the Planning Act and the Development Charges Act in Bill 73, known as “Smart Growth for our Communities Act”. Information is at <http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page11014.aspx> . (Debate on second reading of the bill was adjourned on June 4 and will resume.) FCA is represented on a working group discussing regulations under the modified legislation dealing with committees of adjustment and variance applications. In addition, the province is engaged in consultation on the Municipal Act and the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act. Information is at <http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page11144.aspx>

Ontario Municipal Board – The bylaw adopting Infill 2 has been appealed to the OMB (reference PL150797). The revision of the Official Plan is also under appeal (reference PL150287 through PL150290) and that case has been closely followed by colleagues from Greenspace Alliance.

Community Planning Forum – A major event in which citizens will be invited to engage with City planning officials is scheduled for the morning of Saturday November 7.

Transportation Consultation

The provincial government is engaged in an online consultation about investment in transportation infrastructure outside the Greater Toronto area. Input is sought by September 18 and material is at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/infrastructure-consultation>

Federal Election - October 19

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities has a guide for organizers of all-candidates meetings, found at http://hometownproud.fcm.ca/all_candidates_debate .

Upcoming events

September 13

Heritage Ottawa walking tour: **Old Ottawa South**

Information at <http://heritageottawa.org/events/old-ottawa-south-0>

September 14

Public consultation on **Preston Street North Traditional Mainstreet Official Plan Amendment**

Information available from emily.davies@ottawa.ca

September 16

New Edinburgh Heritage Conservation Plan Open House

Information available from lesley.collins@ottawa.ca

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September 16

Ecology Ottawa panel: **Vancouver's Green Revolution comes to Ottawa**

Speakers: Andrea Reimer, Deputy Mayor of Vancouver; Jody Williams, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate; and David Chernushenko, Ottawa's Chair of the Environment Committee

Register at http://www.ecologyottawa.org/vancouver_green_revolution_comes_to_ottawa

September 16

Heritage Ottawa lecture: **A monumental issue – long term vision and plan for the Parliamentary and Judicial precincts of Canada and impact of the proposed Monument to Victims of Communism**

Information at <http://heritageottawa.org/lecture-series>

September 17

Council on Tall Buildings and Habitat walking tour: **Global warm weather spaces**

Information at <http://urbanforum.ca/>

September 19 or 21

Planning Primer I

Information at <http://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/planning-and-development/planning-primer>

Register at primer@ottawa.ca

September 20

Heritage Ottawa walking tour: **Sandy Hill**

Information at <http://heritageottawa.org/sunday-walking-tours>

September 21

Riverside South Community Design Plan Update Public Consultation

4310 Shoreline Drive Riverside South

Information available from don.morse@ottawa.ca

September 23

National Tree Day

Launch event to develop an Urban Forest Management Plan. Details are at www.ottawa.ca/urbanforest

Register at <https://app07.ottawa.ca/survey/index.php/674422/lang-en>

September 24

Rockcliffe Heritage Conservation Plan Open House

Information available from sally.coutts@ottawa.ca

September 25

Public consultation on **Age Friendly Ottawa Community Report Card**

Information at <http://coaottawa.ca/afo/>

September 26

Heritage Ottawa Forum: **Ottawa's rural and suburban heritage**

Information at <http://heritageottawa.org/lecture-series>

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September 27

Heritage Ottawa walking tour: **Roof Gardens- Rideau Centre and National Arts Centre**

Information at <http://heritageottawa.org/sunday-walking-tours>

September 30

Presentation of **Ottawa Urban Design Awards**

Information at <http://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/planning-and-development/2015-ottawa-urban-design-awards>

October 4

Heritage Ottawa walking tour: **Briarcliffe**

Information at <http://heritageottawa.org/sunday-walking-tours>

October 14

Heritage Ottawa lecture: **Reinventing building 94 at the Central Experimental Farm**

Information at <http://heritageottawa.org/lecture-series>

October 17 or 19

Planning Primer II

Information at <http://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/planning-and-development/planning-primer>

November 7

Community Planning Forum