



**General Meeting – Wednesday September 15, 2021 – 7 pm**  
**Electronic Teleconference via Google Meet**

**MINUTES**

**In Attendance:** A. Crosby, Duff Mitchell, Alice Nakanishi, Alex Cullen, Anya and Mihailo Mihailovic, Barbara Ramsay, Bea Hampson, Catherine Pentland Eleve, Brian Beaven, Chris Greenshields, Cindy Parkanyi, Corey Peabody, Don Stewart, Dorothy Tweedie, Elizabeth McAllister, Emily Addison, Erwin Dreesen, Gillian Salmond, Graeme Roderick, Granda K, Jill Prot, Judith Maxwell, Karen Patzer, Kate Twiss, Ken Pole, L Lehr, Laura Urrechaga, Linda Brown, Lynne Bankier, Marcelle Lafontaine, Maria Luisa Marti, Marty Carr, Mary Huang, Meghan Sullivan, Miklos Horvath, Miranda Gray, Nancy Wilson, Neil Thomson, Nelson Coyle, Overbrook Editor, Paul Forster, Paul Goodkey, Paul Johanis, Rick Nelson, Robert Brinker, Robert Brocklebank, Roland Dorsay, Ron Rose, Russ Thomas, Sheila Perry, Stefan Baginski, Steve Anderson, Sue Stefko, Lydia Pion

**Executive Member Regrets:** L. Cutler, P. Sweetnam, L. Van der Burgt

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>Call to order</b>	The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.	
<b>Agenda</b>	<b>M/S by ML. Marti, R. Brinker</b> that the agenda be adopted as amended.	<b>Carried.</b>
<b>Spotlight Feature</b>	President A. Cullen spoke about what a Spotlight is, invited all members to step forward if their organization would like to be featured in a Spotlight segment, and suggested there will be a Spotlight feature at the next FCA general meeting.	<b>FCA Exec to determine a Spotlight for the next general meeting.</b>
<b>Preparation for upcoming City Planning Committee &amp; ARAC meeting on proposed new OP</b>	A. Cullen ran through the basic principles the FCA is bringing forward to the new OP. He described how to make a presentation to Planning Committee + ARAC (ARAC = Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee). Presentations will be made over two days – allow yourself 1 hour each side of your scheduled time just in case. Each group has five minutes. Can use Powerpoint. Introduce your organization, and where it is (Ward). State your priorities. End with an “ask”. Provide a motion. Be prepared for questions. You should inform your Councillor well ahead of time. E. Dreesen suggested that groups seek out Councillors to sponsor their motions. Three is probably the maximum “asks” you can fit into five minutes. You can delegate other “asks” to another organization.	<b>A. Cullen to share his document on how to make a presentation.</b>

	<p>You can form inpromptu coalitions to share issues and presentation points. There was a discussion on what the basic principles are (A. Cullen suggested it is not up to the FCA to impose a view on our member CA's), with tree canopy, intensification, affordability, transportation, social infrastructure (rec centres, libraries, etc.), “using a neighbourhood lens”, etc. all mentioned as possibilities. The subject of “enough intensification” came up and A. Cullen proposed mitigation be sought where a lot of intensification has occurred. The discussion progressed to the topics of; the need for definitions of words like “affordable”, “low income”, even “a tree” (there was arguably a consensus on the need for definitions) / transitional heights from hi-rises to single family dwellings next door / developers are constantly getting exceptions to Secondary Plans. C. Greenshields mentioned a general lack of respect of Secondary Plans when developments are proposed. He also raised the new rules around emergency shelters, which may see them dispersed across the City over time. P. Johanis urged two interventions now: 1. Have a Councillor bring forward a specific change needed, and 2. Delegations should seek broader support when bringing forward changes at the Planning Committee. A. Cullen suggested as many as possible show up to the meeting, and even if repeating the same points made by others will show support. L. Urrechaga urged intensification metrics per neighbourhood, need site plan control to be more stringent, the OP will last 25 years – a lot longer than some zonings. B. Brocklebank cautioned that “spot rezoning” is allowed in the new OP – no word back from the City on this.</p>	<p><b>A. Cullen to co-ordinate a possible “ask” for definitions</b></p> <p><b>B. Brocklebank to let the FCA know if he hears back on “spot rezoning”</b></p>
<p><b>FCA General Meeting Minutes of May 19, 2021</b></p>	<p><b>M/S R. Dorsay, S. Anderson</b> that the minutes of the last general meeting be adopted as written.</p>	<p><b>Carried.</b></p>
<p><b>Open Microphone</b></p>	<p>Paul Forster (Island Park CA). Concerning the <b>heritage gas station at Richmond Rd &amp; Island Park Dr.</b> Developer has applied for a bigger development than before and this is causing lots of problems. A. Cullen suggested he attend the next FCA P&amp;Z meeting and raise this issue there.</p> <p>Linda Brown emphasized the need for the City to <b>respect Secondary Plans.</b></p> <p>Brian Beaven raised a point and R. Brinker suggested he contact him off-line.</p> <p>Elizabeth McAllister raised the issue of the Solid</p>	<p><b>P. Forster to attend next FCA P&amp;Z meeting on Oct 6</b></p> <p><b>ML. Marti to add Paul Forster (Island Park CA) to the FCA mailing list</b>  <a href="mailto:pforster@uottawa.ca">pforster@uottawa.ca</a></p> <p><b>R. Brinker to add P. Forster to P&amp;Z mail list</b></p>

	Waste Plan and how it is tied to climate change.	<b>All to consider adding Respect for Secondary Plans to their OP submissions</b>  <b>B. Beaven to contact R. Brinker off-line</b>
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	A. Cullen commented that an important calendar event was somehow missed and so our Treasurer couldn't make this meeting. L. Cutler's written report showed that the FCA now has 70 members, with 8 members from 2019 or 2020 who have not yet renewed . There is currently \$25,529 in the bank.	<b>The FCA Exec to consider important events on the calendar before setting meeting dates</b>
<b>FCA Planning and Zoning Committee</b>	Chair R. Brinker emphasized the most important dates on the Planning and Zoning calendar. ML. Marti suggested breakout sessions for various interests that groups might coalesce around, at the Oct 6 FCA P&Z meeting.	<b>Sept 23</b> People's Official Plan OP review <b>Sept 27</b> Ottawa South CA OP Presentation <b>Sept 29</b> City OpenHouse on the OP <b>Oct 6</b> Next FCA P&Z meeting <b>Oct 14</b> OP proposal presentations begin at City Hall  <b><u>ALL are encouraged to sign up NOW to make presentations at City Hall starting Oct 14</u></b>
<b>FCA Transportation Committee</b>	Co-Chair A. Cullen mentioned the need to discuss the Healthy Transportation Coalition's letter, the Alexandria Bridge/tramway issue, and the Manotick truck traffic problem.	<b>Sept 30</b> Next FCA Transportation Committee meeting
<b>Update on FCA Board Initiatives</b>	A. Cullen reviewed some of the actions taken on behalf of FCA members over the summer. 1. Media Release RE: Integrity Commissioner Report on Councillor Harder, 2. Letter to City Planning Committee RE: Official Plan Modeling, 3. Letter to City Council RE: Secondary Units, 4. Letter to the Ottawa Citizen RE: Need for OP Metrics; 6. Status of FCA Working Groups	
<b>Members' Insurance</b>	L. Cutler provided the following Working Group report in absentia - The insurance working group met in the summer. This is what we are looking at doing: a. Terms of Reference for the insurance working group – Tentatively, "To better understand the current landscape for	<b>L. Cutler to add Alice Nakananshi to the Insurance Working Group.</b>

	<p>insurance coverage for community associations in Ottawa and to explore insurance options for FCA members and potential members”.</p> <p>b. Confirm status of Kitchissippi ward councils request to Councillor Leiper that the City consider expanding the range of community associations eligible for City-paid insurance coverage through the City’s group plan (this was an initiative by Kitchissippi community associations independent of the FCA).</p> <p>c. FCA will meet with the City to review the current situation regarding insurance coverage for community associations and gather information and gain a better understanding the terms and conditions of who the city currently insures and how the program works. This will include asking about how many rinks/field houses are operated by community groups who are insured.</p> <p>d. FCA to survey its members and non-members to determine how many groups are not covered by City liability insurance, what they are doing (purchasing privately and if so from where) and how this impacts the services that they provide to their community. The survey will also include questions about D&amp;O coverage (not provided by the City. This will better help us understand the extent of the problem (number of groups affected) and the needs of community associations.</p> <p>e. Ongoing meetings with City to expand budget for additional groups to be covered.</p> <p>f. Other activities, including insurance education, will be considered.</p>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	The next general FCA meeting will be held on Oct 20th	<b>Next FCA meeting Oct 20</b>
<b>Adjournment</b>	M/S D. Steward, Linda Brown. At 8:50 PM	<b>Carried.</b>

Meeting Minutes recorded by Steve Anderson