



DRAFT Meeting Minutes – FCA General Meeting
 Wednesday, November 16, 2022
 Via Google Meet

Meeting Chaired by Robert Brinker
 Minutes Recorded by Leeanne Van der Burgt

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1	Call to order, welcome and land acknowledgement	The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm Forty-nine people were in attendance.	
2	Approval of Agenda	An update on insurance was added under Working Groups Motion to Approve the Agenda as presented Motion: Leeanne Van der Burgt Second: Don Stewart	Carried
3	President's Report	Letters were sent from FCA to the new Mayor and Council congratulating them and indicating an interest in future meetings and establishing a positive working relationship with them. Letters were also sent to Mayor Watson and the Councillors not continuing on the new Council to thank them for their service. FCA responded to Bill 23; More Homes Built Faster with a submission drafted by the External Relations Committee. This was approved and sent. A news release was issued as well. There were invitations for interviews. Members and other organizations shared their submissions with FCA. The new Official Plan has been approved by the province with 30 amendments. The details are available on the City's website. Bill 39; Better Municipal Governance Act has been introduced. FCA will be reviewing this. There was a rally at City Hall on November 15 to show support for the new Mayor and Council and opposition to Bill 23. Some Councillors did come out to speak to members at the rally.	
4	Spotlight Presentation	Janet Mark Wallace from Alta Vista Community Association presented. The topic was their St Thomas Garden and Market. The slide deck from the presentation is available on the FCA website	
5	Feature Presentation	Duncan Bury from Waste Watch Ottawa presented.	

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6	Health and Networking Break		
7	Open Mic – Local Issues	<p>Laura Urrechaga: Will FCA be reaching out to other groups in Ontario regarding Bill 23. Might Federation of Urban Neighbourhoods reach out. Might a demonstration at Queens Park be considered? Dons Stewart with FUN responded that they will consider this.</p> <p>Sylvie Lee: Their community association (UHCCA) is seeking a land use planner to work with them on an appeal going to the OLT. She asked for anyone who may be able to recommend one to contact her.</p> <p>Rachelle Lecours: Asked if there is any update on the insurance topic and if a meeting with the City may be possible for Christmas. This topic will</p> <p>Ron Rose: If there is possible workshop in the spring about waste management can there be clarity of what is put out in recycle bins but still ends up in the landfill included.</p> <p>Amanda Brewster: Their community association (CHCA) would like to connect with other community associations who have worked to protect land (golf course) from development.</p> <p>Mary Huang: Climate Resiliency Workshop tomorrow. The link was provided.</p> <p>Morley Brownstein: Mayor Sutcliffe spoke of a need for the City to have a 20 year focus rather than 20 minutes. This is a comment worth referencing in future discussions.</p>	
8	Adoption of the Minutes of the October 19 th General meeting	<p>There were no amendments requested.</p> <p>Motion to approve the Minutes: Motion: Leeanne Van der Burgt Second: Maria Luisa Marti</p>	Carried
9.	FCA’s response to Bill 23	<p>The External Relations Committee wrote the draft submission. It was approved at the FCA Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting. It was sent on Sunday, shared with the FCA Membership and with Ottawa City Council.</p> <p>The submission needed to be sent due to timing. The communication requires approval from the Membership.</p> <p>Motion to confirm the submission letter on Bill 23; More Homes Built Faster Motion: Alex Cullen Second: Bob Brocklebank All in favour</p>	Carried

		<p>FCA welcomes copies of comments and submissions on the subject from the Membership and other organizations.</p> <p>There was discussion about the province’s approach with the new legislation, what actions might be considered and what tone future communications may have.</p>	
10	Treasurer’s Report	<p>Lorne Cutler reported 69 Members Bank balance \$26, 872</p>	
11	Committee Reports	<p>Planning & Zoning At the last meeting the outcomes of the Committee of Adjustment Workshop on October 22 were discussed. Bill 23 and the Official Plan were reviewed. The next meeting will be December 7.</p> <p>Transportation At the last meeting they discussed the Origin Destination Study including the methodology. Next Meeting is November 24. Topics will include the City’s Roads Prioritization Criteria.</p> <p>Communications The Committee is assessing information flow and data collection to streamline processes. The website is being reviewed for efficiencies. Interviews continue for the Administrative Assistant. Looking at evaluation strategies to collect feedback from the Board, Members and stakeholder. The Committee assisted with a media release announcing the position on FCA and sharing the submission on Bill 23.</p> <p>External Relations The Committee has met twice. Terms of Reference have been developed and adopted with Board approval. Have a draft Work Plan and are looking to set short term priorities; Strengthen relationships with stakeholders starting with City Staff Providing feedback on governance practices at the City including consultation and engagement processes. Look at the City’s budget process. The Committee is welcoming members. If anyone is interested, contact Roland Dorsay at info@fca-fac.ca</p>	
12	Working Groups Update	<p>CofA Recommendations from the October 22 Workshop. There were two workshops that were offered after many expressions of frustration at FCA General Meetings about dealing with the Committee of Adjustment. The first was in June 22 on best practices. The second was in October. The report that came from the October workshop is</p>	

		<p>intended to be presented to the new CofA to provide suggestions for consideration for improvement. The report was circulated in advance. Seeking endorsement of the report. The strategy for presenting the report will be forthcoming. Motion to endorse the report Motion: Alex Cullen Second: Leeanne Van der Burgt</p> <p>Insurance Alex Cullen has reached out to City staff to request a meeting on this topic before the budget discussions begin. Lorne Cutler raised an issue about groups who have insurance coverage for managing outdoor rinks. Letters have been coming from different departments of the City with insurance renewals documentation from two different providers without explanation. In addition, the policy suggests that rink volunteers are not covered by the policy and if that may extend to Rink Managers as well. Contracts have been received by community associations but there is no explanation about insurance coverage. The recommendation is that any community group in this situation not sign the contracts and that a representative write the Seasonal Recreation Department to seek clarification. It may be necessary to seek support from Councillors.</p>	Carried
13	Adjournment	<p>Motion to adjourn: Motion: Don Stewart Second: Alex Cullen</p>	Carried

Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 pm

Next Meeting: To be confirmed