

# FCA INSURANCE WORKING GROUP

UPDATE ON REVISED CIP  
Community Partnership  
Insurance Program  
2025 January 15

## FCA Requests Level Playing Field For City Paid CPIP (before 2022 Budget)

- FCA request for equality of groups to receive paid CGL (Commercial Liability) insurance under CPIP not just those in existence pre-amalgamation, but throughout the City
- City response was to propose to dismantle CPIP and put it under the Community Funding framework (a grant program)
- However they did create equality for the Outdoor Rink program throughout the City by putting it under the City's integrated insurance; all ODR received City-paid coverage
- Further Advocacy by FCA and Rink Operators added Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance to Rink Contracts for volunteers (to replace absence of medical coverage when CPIP was discontinued for rinks).

# Report to Council 2022 May 21

- Successful FCA advocacy to retain CPIP resulted in a report tabled at Council 2022 May 21
- FCA supported the report in a motion 2022 May 18 but requested further consultation :

Therefore be it resolved that the FCA:

1. Endorse the CPIP Report to May 25 City Council as progress in resolving the inequity in insurance coverage for community groups operating similar programs; and
  2. Request that Council direct City staff to further engage the FCA and community groups to resolve insurance issues resulting from community group activities, including process of defining types and terms of contracts, as a means of facilitating such activities, and report back to CPSC prior to the tabling of the 2023 City budget.“
- Result of Successful FCA Advocacy in point 2: Staff was directed to go back and work further with the community

# Finance and Corporate Services

## Report 2024 Feb 6

- the passing of a Motion by Councillor Kitts to retain a revised CPIP: Finance and Corporate Services Meeting Feb 6, 2024
- passed at Council Feb 21, 2024 but Amending Motion at Council failed: to amend the original motion with a requested change by FCA to refer the issue back for public consultation if an insurer could not be found
- So original motion retained: If no insurer found, CPIP monies would be rolled back into the Community Funding Framework (revert to original staff proposal).

## Councillor Kitts Motion 2024 Feb 21

- 4 Page Motion, including 12 “Whereas” and 6 “Be it Resolved” clauses!!
- So, we won’t go through it here (Whew!)
- In summary, outlines eligibility criteria for community groups to receive CPIP, and directs staff to undertake the required steps to put the revised CPIP in place on or before 2025 Jan 1 to be part of City’s 2025 budget

## After the Kitts Motion

- FCA accepted in general the revised eligibility criteria in the Kitts motion as fair, but requested clarification of some variables (see next slides)
- Some clarification was provided by the City Solicitor
- Community Services Committee 2025 budget to include 2 FTE's to administer CPIP plus provide an info service to community groups to help them navigate City services
- Memo from Dan Chenier gave general update (see next slides)

# Clarifications to Kitts Motion

## Email between City Solicitor and FCA

- *The proposed CPIP would have as its objective the support of community groups **whose primary mandate includes the holding or hosting of community events**. An organization established principally for purposes of advocacy on neighbourhood issues would not qualify under the proposed eligibility criteria.*
- *there may be more than one community group eligible for participation in the CPIP within the boundaries of an area defined by the ONS (Ottawa Neighbourhood Study)*

# Clarifications to Kitts Motion

- *Be governed by a democratically-elected Board of Directors or Committee of **at least three independent and unrelated members**:*
- *It is staff's understanding that the purpose of the requirement is to ensure that the decision-making of the Board/Committee is not concentrated within a group of related individuals (husband/wife, employer/employee etc).*
- *Accordingly, it may be reasonable to assume that the aim of the criteria is to **ensure that a majority of the total membership of the Board/Committee are independent.***

# Clarifications to Kitts Motion

- ***Have measures in place to ensure that they do not at any time sponsor or produce any materials that promote or oppose the candidacy of a person for elected office, or that promote or oppose a campaign related to a question on the ballot, in accordance with the City's Election-Related Resources Policy:***
- *This provision is intended to ensure that the City is compliant with the terms of its Election Related Resources Policy (ERRP), which is itself a statutory obligation. The hosting of all-candidate meetings, provided that they operate on a non-partisan basis, would not be contrary to the City's ERRP.*
- *FCA Suggestion for Motion/By\_Laws "would appear to be reasonable": X is an apolitical body and shall not promote or oppose the candidacy of a person for elected office, or promote or oppose a question on a federal or provincial or municipal ballot*

# Memo Dan Chenier 2024 Nov 21

## **Memo from General Manager Recreation, Cultural, Facility Services**

Staff are working on revised CPIP as directed by Council including staffing for

- intake
- ongoing evaluation of community group eligibility
- other supports to community associations

## Chenier Memo continued

### **Eligibility for revised CPIP (Start June 1, 2025)**

1. Geographic-based community associations
2. Primary Mandate is representing a neighborhood on a broad range of civic matters and that hosts community events, activities and programs for the public

## Chenier Memo continued

**The draft 2025 budget includes adequate resources to support the CPIP program (2 FTE allocated).**

These positions will support the CPIP program as follows:

- overseeing the eligibility process for prospective community organizations
- overseeing intake applications for access to the program
- provide ongoing monitoring to ensure compliance with eligibility.
- will act as liaisons with the community in matters relating to governance and access to information and key resources within the City of Ottawa.

## Chenier Memo continued

### **Legal Services will continue to oversee**

- the administration of insurance coverage
- to liaise with the insurance broker and/or underwriter on insurance and risk-related matters.

## Chenier Memo continued

**Some operations/groups will be (or have been)moved out of CPIP to another insurance program:**

- 1. Outdoor Rink Maintenance and Supervision**
- 2. Community Gardens** through Community Garden Network (for approved activities only)
- 3. Manage or Operate City-owned or leased facilities or Operate Affordable/Accessible Recreation programs under an **Active Continuous Service Agreement with the City.****

# Chenier Memo continued

## **CPIP Eligibility:**

“Among other Parameters” groups to provide evidence

- they operate as a not-for-profit organization within the city of Ottawa
- they represent a geographic community within the boundaries of Ottawa
- have been existence for a minimum two years
- have been democratically elected with a board of directors and have an annual general meeting
- that they operate in a manner that respects and is consistent with the Ontario Human Rights Code and other applicable laws.

# Chenier Memo continued

## Next Steps

- Two staff hired to accept Applications beginning Q1 2025
- *Recreation, Cultural and Facility Service* and *Legal Services* continue to work collaboratively to finalize the application and approval process to ensure a successful transition to a new CIP.
- Coverage under the new program will be from June 1, 2025, to June 1, 2026, and subject to annual renewal.
- Should the City be unable to procure the necessary insurance in the future, staff will inform Council and reallocate that funding as directed in the motion to a dedicated community insurance support funding program within the community funding framework.

## Where does FCA go from here?

- FCA wrote City in November 2024 looking for update
- City acknowledged FCA letter but provided no update
- We are waiting for the City to issue detailed information regarding the application process and eligibility criteria
- The FCA Insurance Working Group had hoped to preview the information before general release and have some questions answered, but that hasn't happened
- The most likely scenario is that we will receive the information as a "fait accompli", study it and determine next steps from there



# Queensway Terrace North Community Association

January 15, 2025

## Future of QTN: Learning from Two Secondary Plans

- ▶ Sandwiched between
  - 2 new LRT stations-Lincoln Fields, Queensview;
  - 2 major redevelopment areas.
- ▶ Will the future be
  - an urban oasis – attractive, green, friendly hood, or
  - the back-side of two big urban centers?
- ▶ Active participation in 2 secondary plan processes for more than 3 years. Delays – rush at end
- ▶ Outcomes: ???

## Two Secondary Plans: Part of Ottawa's 2024 Focus on Housing

- ▶ November: Lincoln Fields Plan adopted
  - strategic place – major station; west end of parkway
  - maximum intensification
  - some public realm improvements
- December: Pinecrest/Queensview Plan adopted
  - strategic place – west entry from 401/417
  - industrial to mixed use
  - maximum intensification
  - major public realm improvements

## Impact of Current Approach: Planning for traffic and Human Services

- Different population projections used for study of traffic impacts
- As-of-right development permissions far exceed what will be built
- Inability to predict and plan well for traffic impacts
- Reactive planning; first-come, first served; not balanced growth
- No planning for human services, e.g. health, education

## Gap in Current Approach: Inadequate Concept of Neighborhood

- Specific Example
- Inability to defend good planning decisions
- General objectives need more robust policies
- Imbalance of voice and power in processes

## Implementation of Current Approach: Community Benefits

- QTNca did get improvements in the plans
- Implementation? No active mechanism
- Total dependence on factors beyond control
- Is 20 year plan wise in uncertain times?
- Strengthen implementation to be pro-active
- Multi-stakeholder
- Frequent monitoring and updates
- Living plans