

# Civic Hospital Neighbourhood Association (CHNA) June 8, 2022 Spring Meeting Minutes



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- 1. Review of Agenda and General Remarks:** Karen Wright, President

Karen welcomed all participants (29 in total), introduced Board Members (Carol – standing in for Laurel, Julie Westall, Linda, Susan, Shane, Matt, Peter, Luanne, Alison Taylor – and mentioned Christopher O’Gorman who leads CHNA communications is presently out of the country, as well as, City Councillor Jeff Leiper for our ward, along with Steph Chevalier, from Jeff’s office).

- 2. Environment:** Carol Clemenhagen (for Laurel Mclvor), highlighted three upcoming events.



**Native Plant Garden Social Event, June 26, 2022 at 11:00 am, Princess Margriet Park on Fairmont Ave.**

[\*Note, on May 13, 2022, a plaque was unveiled for *renaming Fairmont Park* to **Princess Margriet Park**, after the Royal Dutch Princess born at the Ottawa Hospital Civic Campus. This park is located near Ottawa Hospital Civic Campus.]

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At the North end of Princess Margriet Park, a fun social event to celebrate the new Native Plant Garden. There will be free treats and we will share information about the Native Plant Garden and the value of native plants. Attendees will learn about iNaturalist nature app [see following link for more about this app: <https://www.inaturalist.org/>]. Briefly, this app helps you identify plants around you, accumulating observations for science, and contributing to biodiversity trends. Native tree saplings will be available for community members to take home. Karen mentioned that Mayor Jim Watson accepted the invitation to this event, and Councillor Jeff Leiper who provided Cash In Lieu funding to support the garden also plans to attend.

#### **Spongy Moth Burlap Initiative Held on May 31, 2022 at Fairmont Park/Princess Margriet Park**

Community volunteers wrapped trees with burlap to protect trees from the Spongy Moth... Harm by spongy moth/caterpillars to trees can happen fast. For example, one caterpillar can eat one square metre of leaves. With this in mind, devastation can occur if many spongy moths take over a tree. The burlap enables volunteers to remove and dispose of the caterpillars. Additional burlap available for residents to protect their own trees.

#### **Neighbourhood Tree Walk, September 17, 2022 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am**

Fun walk with friends and neighbours to learn about trees in our neighbourhood. Learn fun facts and how to identify native and important trees using the iNaturalist app will be used as a tool to identify plants. For more info, check out CHNA website to access a list of native plants in our neighbourhood.

### **3. New Civic: Peter Eady, VP and Luanne Calcutt**



**Peter provided an overview of the new Ottawa Hospital New Civic Campus Community Advisory Council (CAC).** Flashback to 2018, for about 18-24 months New Civic Campus Board of Governors created the Community Engagement Group, to serve as a deliberative body. Design group were to come to CEG with designs and CEG members would provide comments back to the design team. This model of operating stopped during pandemic, leaving CEG members with a sense they have been put through a “constructive dismissal”. With CEG members resigning, it was not long before our Member of

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Parliament, Yasir Naqvi became concerned that there was no longer a functional engagement process and encouraged the creation of a new process for engagement.

In response to this concern, the hospital established a new engagement group, the **Community Advisory Council**. The CAC reports into the project team via the TOH's Chief Planning and Development Officer. The model for CAC is now consultative, not deliberative as before. This means CAC members have less weight in a back-and-forth process deliberation, that they had previously with the design team.

First meeting of CAC was held in February 2022 and covered: an introduction to all groups represented on this council; review of plans (available on New Civic Campus web site); and Terms of Reference, that Peter then shared with CHNA participants and are available on our website.

The second CAC meeting took place end of May 2022 with consultant, architects, transportation planner. This meeting was aspirational, going over goals, inclusion, carbon foot print, patients and family care concerns. CAC's role is strictly advisory, with plans for CAC meetings to take place 3 or 4 times a year.

Even though CAC members report they have a lesser role than before, it's vital to keep in mind that community associations like CHNA, need to be represented at this table.

**Next, Luanne reviewed the newly established CAC Transportation Sub Committee** (and as Peter mentioned – “This is where the rubber hits the road”). Luanne is the CHNA representative on this Sub Committee and highlighted the Site Plan application process where we reviewed the transportation projections and analysis, and believe the modal share projections were flawed, primarily due to the fact the survey data that informed the projections was not accurate. CHNA worked with Jeff Leiper to make recommendations in the form of motions at Planning Committee, which were successful. The following four strategies are to be conducted by the consultations by the end of this year. This is our first opportunity to have meaningful engagement around transportation matters with hospital and traffic planners. The analysis will oversee transportation impacts within 1500 metres from some magic/yet to be determined point on New Civic Campus.

- Neighbourhood Traffic Management Study
- Off Site Parking Strategy
- Transportation Demand Management Program
- Transportation Monitoring Strategy

Decision making framework raises some concerns given The Ottawa Hospital pays for these studies, and decides what recommendations they will implement. CHNA made recommendation for an oversight/monitoring process last June (2021) and after a number of months, City staff said there would be a **transportation monitoring strategy**. CHNA is preparing a formal response to the proposed subcommittee Terms of Reference.

In our response last year to the development submission, we identified that the New Civic Development (NCD) Parking capacity is **are** undersized due to the flawed modal share projections. City of Ottawa staff is now proposing that a NCD Off Site Parking Strategy is needed to cover any capacity deficiencies.

A factor when looking to address traffic impacts is that representation on the **NCD Sub** Committee by Ottawa **area hospitals** and community healthcare organizations greatly outnumber community

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associations. As a result, community organizations are meeting separately to document specific local concerns that are likely different from other CAC Transportation Sub Committee members.

### 4. Transportation –Sherwood/Kenilworth: Luanne Calcutt



CHNA has been advocating to have the City of Ottawa conduct traffic calming project for this area, to manage cut through traffic in our neighbourhoods, in anticipation of the New Campus Development (NCD). This five- legged intersection at Kenilworth and Fairmont was identified as a spot of concern for some residents, leading to City of Ottawa to take steps to enact a trial closure in summer 2021. In May 2022, City of Ottawa staff presented data collected from a survey conducted with residents, who shared their views on the impact of the summer 2021 trial closure. Jeff Leiper provided an update on the latest news about this intersection. The City will NOT move ahead with a permanent closure. However, survey results from the summer 2021 trial closure experience, reveal there are still safety issues to address for pedestrians and cyclists. Going forward, City of Ottawa staff will not make decisions regarding this intersection without further consultations about options.

\*\*\*CHNA Transportation Committee – Call out for representation needed for residents located east of Fairmont Avenue. Please contact CHNA if you are interested.

### 5. History and Heritage: Matt Lemay



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Matt asked members to participate in a meeting poll to respond to this question: Neighbourhood History and Heritage Night – Is there any interest for an in-person history evening of this fall?

100% of CHNA meeting participants agreed – “Yes – I am interested in an in-person History Night this fall”!

### 6. Planning and Development Toolkit: Linda Niksic



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### *Planning and Development Tool Kit (DRAFT)*

#### Introduction

*CHNA Planning and Development Tool Kit* is designed to provide an overview of the guiding principles of CHNA Planning and Development Committee, followed by examples of proposed developments and trying to apply guiding principles, overview of City of Ottawa Official Plan, Zoning, resources and links to guide you in planning and development processes. To navigate throughout this tool kit, you may click on the **Content** hyperlinked headings below to go directly to the section of interest. And, you may click on any hyperlinked headings within this document, that will bring you back to this **Content** page.

#### Content

- [A. CHNA Planning and Development Committee’s Guiding Principles](#)
- [B. Examples of Proposed Developments and Trying to Apply Guiding Principles](#)
- [C. City of Ottawa New Official Plan](#)
- [D. City of Ottawa Zoning By-law Review](#)
- [E. Intensification Plans](#)
- [F. Community Design Plans](#)
- [G. City of Ottawa Planning and Development Slide Presentations](#)
- [H. Interesting Planning and Development Measures](#)
- [I. Key Links to Resources](#)
- [J. ANNEX A \(Pages 13-16\): Near Future and Ongoing Focus: Three Different Developments Impacting Our Community, including chart overview of CHNA ACTIONS with Three Different Developments](#)
- [K. ANNEX B \(Page 17-18\): Impact of Surrounding Developments on Preston Street and Carling Avenue](#)

*\*To provide feedback and suggest further resources for this document, please send an email to: [info@chnaottawa.ca](mailto:info@chnaottawa.ca) And, to learn more about latest happenings checkout [Civic Hospital Neighbourhood Association \(CHNA\) website](#).*





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Linda provided an overview of the sections above featured in CHNA Planning and Development Tool Kit. This evergreen, draft – work in-progress document is designed to:

- Give an overview of how CHNA adheres to our planning and development guiding principles.
- Tell the story of challenges we are facing with different types of builds, as we also try to preserve our mature neighbourhood when we can; and
- Provide a repository of relevant resources to aid citizens, as they consider potentially presenting at Committee of Adjustment, as well as, how decisions can be unpredictable during appeal processes at Ontario Land Tribunal Hearings.
- Invite members to provide feedback and to suggest resources to add to this Tool Kit.

#### 7. 1081 Carling: Luanne Calcutt



Luanne is Executive Liaison with this Sub Committee. 1081 Carling Avenue is a case study and is outlined in CHNA Planning and Development Tool Kit. Very successful fundraiser was held in March 2022 to raise funds and retain services including legal, traffic, urban planning expertise.

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**8. Home Security and Fraud Prevention:** Shane Quinn (Due to technical difficulties, Karen covered this section)

## Home Security and Fraud Prevention -Shane Quinn

8.1 Social Media – Alerts

8.2 Website

- Mandate
- Crime Prevention Resources
- Incident Reporting

The crime rate is low in the CHNA area and we want to keep it that way. Victims can play an important role by filing reports in all cases. This will assist the Police in their efforts to catch perpetrators and track patterns of criminal activity.

Terms of reference for the 'Home Safety and Fraud Prevention Committee' were highlighted at the AGM in November, 2021. These can be found on the CHNA website along with Ottawa Police Services resources for crime prevention and (ii) how to report incidents.

Alerts on thefts and scams are posted on our Social Media sites to be timely.

Fraud requires constant monitoring of prevalent schemes. Currently, a fraud is underway to trick grandparents into sending money to aid alleged family members.

**9. Board Positions:** Karen Wright



Karen invited participants to express interest in upcoming vacant board positions in fall of 2022, for CHNA President and Vice President. Karen has served for 8 years and Peter for 12 years on CHNA – What amazing contributions! Karen and Peter are generously offering to mentor and transition potential candidates into these roles.

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## 10. Kitchissippi Ward Update/Q&A: Councillor Jeff Leiper



Jeff Leiper updated members that part of the lot at Beechgrove Apartments (former convent – located on 120 Beech Street), may be purchased by City of Ottawa to extend EV Tremblay Park, with Champagne. If this proceeds we can have community discussions around the possibility of street closure to provide even more useable park space. Jeff is in talks with City of Ottawa Real Estate Branch to try and make this happen – Keeping in mind, nothing is ever a sure thing. Peter raised concern about mature trees on that parcel of land. Jeff responded with how development trumps trees in Ontario, depending on certain criteria, and if trees are removed, new trees will be planted.

Parkdale brick intersections will be repaired this summer with more durable asphalt (Parkdale and Sherwood just done). Traffic calming on Parkdale and Loretta Streets should be underway soon. Peter also asked about future of Tom Brown Arena. Jeff mentioned hard to know what will happen, and shared some possible options that may arise. For instance, Le Breton Flats may develop an arena, and if not, Tom Brown Arena could be redeveloped as a recreation centre, including an ice rink, with affordable housing developed as well.

Question from K Allen looking for schematics of the roadways for the new Civic campus. Answer: It is in the traffic impact assessment provided in the New Campus development application.

## 11. Chat Discussion, Links and Q&A

- **Sherwood Calming**
  - <https://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/public-engagement/projects/sherwood-drive-traffic-calming-study>
- **1081 Carling**
  - The restaurants in the 1081 fundraiser were Bar Lupulus, East India Company and Heartbreakers Pizza
  - <https://www.chnaottawa.ca/1081-carling-sub-committee.html>



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- **Learn about Planning Process**
  - Upcoming Planning Primer meetings you can register for are found here:  
<https://ottawa.ca/en/planning-development-and-construction/learn-about-planning-process/planning-primer>.
  - (note: meetings sometimes go up only 2 weeks before it happens, so you may want to keep an eye on that page. I heard they've paused meetings for the summer most likely.
- **CHNA Transportation Committee rep needed for area east of Fairmont to Railway.**
- **Thanks from Alison Taylor to Jeff for all his efforts on the Storm**
- **History Pin and Beechgrove**
  - History pin from our History & Heritage webpage tells the history of the Beechgrove site and its surroundings.
  - <https://www.historypin.org/en/civic-hospital-neighbourhood-history-heritage/geo/45.399371,-75.714883,17/bounds/45.3969,-75.717485,45.401842,-75.712281/paging/1>

## 12. Adjournment

Karen thanked everyone and adjourned the meeting.

