



Councillor's Newsletter

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Councillor's View



Hello residents,

I would like to take a moment to thank all of you for your immense support of #homegrown Stittsville athlete, Erica Wiebe this week at the Rio Olympics.

Erica grew up in Stittsville as a young athlete with a modest dream of becoming a soccer super-star. She pursued that dream into secondary school but her competitive nature drove her in a variety of sports. But it wasn't until Grade 9 when the sign-up sheet for Co-Ed Wrestling practice went up that she realized she had found her true love.



Her passion quickly transitioned into reality as she moved to her new home in Calgary, Alberta where she pursued a degree in Kinesiology and trained for her Olympic debut.

Erica impressed the world all the way to the finals and finished by placing first overall in the Women's 75 kg Freestyle Wrestling category and winning Canada's fourth gold medal.

I think I speak on behalf of our entire community when I offer my sincerest congratulations to Erica and her family.

Special thanks go out to Katherine Dobson and her family for communicating with my office in hosting the official viewing party at the Glen.

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It was incredible to watch the community come together for this particular event as Erica helped represent Stittsville with the rest of the immense Canadian talent performing at this year's Olympic Games. Between the sign displays, the viewing parties and social media outpours of pride, this has been another excellent example of the great community we have here. When I arrived at the official viewing party, spirits were already at an all-time high and all eyes were on the television right until the final seconds of the match where Erica came on top 6-0.

To rewatch the match and Erica's stunning performance, please click [here](#).

While Erica may live in Calgary now for her career, it has been proven that she will always have a home here in Stittsville and we look forward to her visit following her homecoming.

I would like to thank all of Ottawa for sharing this moment with Erica and her family and I will be certain to inform residents of any upcoming special events in her honour. Until then, be sure to continue to root on all of our Canadian athletes as the Olympics wind to a close on Sunday August 21st.



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August 20th Blackstone Park Community Breakfast



Get your bikes and helmets out Stittsville! I'm delighted to say that on Saturday, August 20th, at Blackstone Park (located at 105 Tapadero Avenue) I will be hosting a community breakfast. The event will highlight bike safety and will also feature other fun activities for the whole family including a children's play area. I want to thank Cardel and Mattamy for their support with this event.

Coffee, tea, and juice will be served along with muffins and pastries while Stittsville residents are given the opportunity to learn the rules of the road when out on their bicycles. Especially for youth in the community who plan on biking to and from school in September, this is an event you won't want to miss!

Please bring along a non-perishable food item as a donation to the Stittsville Food Bank. I would like to thank all volunteers including Cardel and Mattamy Homes for their support with this event.

Breakfast will be served at 8AM and should end around 10AM. I look forward to seeing all of you there... and don't forget your bikes and helmets!

Happy Capital Pride!



I would like to take a moment to wish all members of our LGBTTQ+ community a happy Capital Pride week. I had the pleasure of joining not one, but two, pride flag raising ceremonies at the beginning of the week with both Ottawa Public Health and Fierté Capital Pride.

If you haven't had a chance to participate in any events yet this week, do not fret, as festivities will

continue into the weekend, closing off with the parade, rain or shine, this Sunday from 1:00–3:00 featuring Stittsville’s own Charlie Lowthian–Rickert who I had the pleasure of meeting earlier this week.

Charlie is acting as Grand Marshall in this year’s parade and she would be honoured to see some familiar faces in the crowd.

Allies and LGBTTQ+ members alike are welcome to close off this week of celebrating inclusivity, gender diversity, and human rights.

Please take a moment to tell an LGBTTQ+ member close to you that you love them and I look forward to seeing some of you this Sunday!



Road closures during the Capital Pride parade

The annual Capital Pride parade will take place on Sunday, August 21, starting at 1:00 p.m.

Motorists should expect road closures and lane reductions on the following streets between 7 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.:

- Bank Street between Catherine Street and Gladstone Avenue – closed in both directions
- Gladstone Avenue between O’Connor Street and Kent Street – closed in both directions
- O’Connor Street between Gladstone Avenue and Lewis Street – reduced to one lane



Roads along the parade route will also be closed, between noon and 4 p.m.:

- Gladstone Avenue, between Bank Street and Kent Street
- Kent Street, between Gladstone Avenue and Laurier Avenue West
- Laurier Avenue West, between Kent Street and Bank Street
- Bank Street, between Laurier Avenue West and Somerset Street West.

Parking will be prohibited on the parade route from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A Capital Pride community fair will take place at the end of the parade route, on Bank Street, between Somerset Street West and Florence Street. Street closures in this area will be in effect between 7 a.m. and 11 p.m.

Have a happy Pride and remember to plan your route ahead of time!

Zoning By-law Amendment Omnibus Report – Stittsville Main Street



At the City's Planning Committee on Tuesday, August 23 there will be a Zoning By-law Amendment Omnibus Report which includes an amendment for Stittsville Main Street. The report is recommending for the Stittsville Main Street Traditional Main Street Sub zone 9 (TM9) to Remove the 3 metre maximum interior side yard setback requirement.

The recently adopted Traditional Mainstreet Subzone 9 (TM9) for Stittsville Main Street introduced a variety of new building setbacks based on the recently approved [Stittsville Main Street Secondary Plan and Community Design Plan](#). The subzone outlines specifically which Traditional Mainstreet (TM) setbacks apply and do not apply and provides specific setbacks for the TM9 subzone. Based on the current provisions a maximum interior side yard setback of 3 metres is required in accordance with the TM setbacks, as this was not listed as an excluded TM provision for the subzone.

A maximum interior side yard setback was not intended to be an applicable zoning requirement for this subzone due to the larger lot fabric located in the Stittsville Main Street Subzone. This requirement is proposed to be removed from the TM9 subzone. Minimum interior setback requirements will remain as described in the TM zone and TM9 subzone. Additional setback requirements such as a maximum front yard setback ensure that the built form objectives of the Secondary Plan and Community Design plan will be achieved.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting and you can also listen live on www.Ottawa.ca. For the Meeting Agenda including the location and links to the reports please visit [here](#).

New Stittsville Café Coming Right Up!

Blumenstudio Café is the newest in the line-up of local Stittsville cafés hitting the coffee scene.

I had the pleasure of stopping by earlier this week for a delicious coffee and a glimpse of the unique plant-oriented ambience.

Steelwool Cycleworks, a bike shop, is slated to open next door (the café

itself is located at 1564 Stittsville Main St) and along with a floral shop, the three businesses will be orchestrated together similar to their other location found at 465 Parkdale Ave.



While the official opening has not yet taken place, residents are still invited to stop by and enjoy a nice coffee or tea and get a feel for just what they're all about. Be sure to visit their [Twitter](#) for more updates.

I would like to wish my congratulations for Blumenstudio owner, Kat Kosk and Steelwool owner, Thom Johnson. Welcome to the neighbourhood!

OrangeTheory Fitness Grand Opening



After five months of construction, reserving pre-opening memberships, participating in multiple events, setting up and training the team of staff, Orangetheory Fitness – Stittsville is now ready for its Grand Opening!

Thursday, August 25th marks the date for the second Orangetheory Fitness studio here in Ottawa the public, friends, family and members are all invited to the Grand Opening Event.

Those who choose to stop by will be welcomed to the evening with gift bags compliments from the Beauty Boutique at Shoppers Drug Mart; please register in the Guest Registry under the Orange Tent.

Enter to win a door prize compliments from Big Rig, CRAFT Beer Market, Arbonne, Via Cibo and more.

The event will be celebrated with beverages from a local craft brewery, chilled Steeped Tea, recovery drinks samples from Beyond Yourself supplements, and post-workout smoothie samples from the Grounds Cafe. Finger foods will be available courtesy of Bamboo restaurant and sweet treats are available to enjoy while you meander the partnered vendors.

I hope that any fitness-oriented residents take a moment to stop by this grand opening celebration as this is the last chance to lock in the best monthly rates. For more information on Orangetheory, be sure to visit their website [here](#).

I would like to congratulate the owners, Jason and Karin Kincaid for choosing Stittsville as their new location. Welcome to the neighbourhood.

Stittsville Legion BBQ

On Saturday August 20th 5 pm to 11 pm the Stittsville Legion is holding a community open BBQ/pig roast. All proceeds are going to VETS Canada. Tickets cost \$25. Admission includes pig roast and live entertainment with two bands, The Stittsvillins and Bustin' Loose. The event will happen rain or shine. You can get your tickets at the Legion or go to [Eventbrite.ca](#).



Stittsville Service of the Week – Rotary Club of Stittsville



The Rotary Club of Stittsville is another great service for Stittsville residents. Brought together by the goodwill of its patrons, its purpose unites business and professional leaders to provide humanitarian services and provide goodwill and peace around the world.

They come together for charitable events, breakfasts, trivia, and several other social gatherings. They bring in guest speakers, host mother/daughter book clubs, and present scholarships to graduating teens for community involvement.

They have also been responsible for completing phase-one of Ottawa's first Peace Park complete with a labyrinth. You can help to get involved with the next steps which include the beautification of

the surroundings with gardens and other areas to enhance the park for people of all abilities. In recognition of your donation of \$200 to support the Peace Park, you will be recognized by an inscription on a brick which will be part of the pathway to the labyrinth. I encourage residents to visit the peace park at Bell Park, 1751 Stittsville Main St.

The Rotary Club has become a staple in the Stittsville community and acts as a great place to make friends while supporting great causes.

To learn more, the club meets Tuesday mornings at 7 AM at the Stittsville Villa (1354 Stittsville Main St). You can also visit their website at <http://www.stittsvillerotary.com/>

Early birds can register now for Tim Hortons Cleaning the Capital

The City of Ottawa and Tim Hortons are pleased to announce the annual **Tim Hortons Cleaning the Capital** campaign, which will take place from September 15 to October 15. Early-bird registration is now available.



REGISTRATION IS QUICK AND EASY:

- Go to ottawa.ca, or call 3-1-1 (TTY: 613-580-2401), to register for the cleanup. The interactive map on our website will show you which locations have already been claimed, allow you to register your own project site and choose the cleanup supplies that you need.
- Select a location such as a park, ravine, shoreline, bus stop, pathway or any public area that requires litter pickup or graffiti removal.

WIN PRIZES

Volunteers who register their cleanup project before Wednesday, September 14 have a chance to win one of many early-bird prizes donated by our generous sponsors. Volunteers who submit a final cleanup report by Monday, October 31 will be eligible for more prizes.

Tim Hortons Cleaning the Capital is a city-wide event that brings together neighbours, communities and friends to help keep Ottawa clean and green. Last year alone, 82,000 volunteers collected more than 65,600 kilograms of litter from 1,400 locations.

This is a great opportunity for families and friends to work together on community cleanup projects that help make Ottawa clean, green, graffiti-free and litter-free. Cleaning the Capital is also an excellent way for high school students to earn their community volunteer hours.

My office will be participating in this venture tentatively on September 23rd, 2016. I hope that all residents can make it out for this great initiative. Be sure to let me know when and where your group will be as the Tim's Fairies may be fluttering about.

Public Consultation Session on the Future of 100 Wellington, the site of the former U.S. Embassy

The nation's capital belongs to all Canadians, from coast to coast to coast.

That is why the Government of Canada has opened the conversation to all Canadians regarding the future use of the former US embassy building, 100 Wellington.

The heritage building – owned by the Federal government, located directly across from Parliament Hill in the heart of Canada's capital – is to be transformed into a key Canadian institution and the federal government wants your opinion on just how to do that.

The building should be a location for all Canadians and international visitors alike.



This is a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate our insight as constituents of this great capital City to have our voices heard. This is a significant project which has been waiting on the sidelines for approximately 20 years. I would like to invite all residents to participate in this consultation session before the September 9th deadline.

An in-person public information session was webcast live across Canada on August 18 to kick off the public consultations at the **Sir John A. Macdonald Building** but you may still complete an online survey before September 9th or tweet using the hashtag #100Wellington.

For more information, please be sure to visit the Government of Canada website [here](#).

City releases study on feasibility of downtown truck tunnel

A tunnel between the Macdonald–Cartier Bridge and Highway 417 for mixed traffic is technically possible, according to a recently completed feasibility study.

The City of Ottawa undertook the study with a funding contribution from the Government of Ontario to explore the tunnel option as a means of reducing truck traffic on downtown streets. A report on the study was [released this week](#) for public information and comment.



When an NCC–led study to examine new Ontario–Québec bridge options east of downtown was terminated before it was concluded, the City of Ottawa and Province of Ontario agreed to look at the technical feasibility of a tunnel to reduce the impact of heavy–truck traffic on the aesthetics and liveability of downtown communities.

I personally believe this tunnel may be worthy of support but following the guideline that the tunnel is connected directly to the Queensway without disrupting local traffic. However, while this is still in the early stages, I will await this item to come to committee and look forward to a robust discussion.

The \$750,000 feasibility study, funded equally by the City and the Government of Ontario, has concluded, and the preliminary cost estimate for construction is between \$1.7 billion and \$2 billion.

The 3.4–kilometre tunnel would extend with two lanes in each direction from the Macdonald–Cartier Bridge to Highway 417 at Vanier Parkway and Riverside Drive via a cross–town route under Lowertown and Sandy Hill.

The forecasted traffic demand that would use this route is too small to justify an investment in a truck–only tunnel. Thirty–five per cent of truck traffic currently using downtown streets would not use the tunnel because they need to make local on–street deliveries or pick–ups. Furthermore, any trucks transporting dangerous goods would be prohibited from the tunnel due to safety concerns.

If a tunnel were to be built, it would be available for mixed–traffic use and would divert between 20,000 and 25,000 cars and trucks per day. This tunnel project is not part of the City’s affordable transportation network plan, as outlined in the 2013 Transportation Master Plan.

The study and a staff report will be considered at Transportation Committee on Wednesday, September 7. Further discussions with the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada are required regarding next steps.

This was a technical feasibility study and therefore public consultation was not undertaken; however, the City is releasing the study well in advance of the Transportation Committee meeting to give residents time to read the report. Visit ottawa.ca for more information and to read the report.

I would encourage all residents to review this now as this is a great opportunity to have your say regarding future transportation options within the City.

City warns residents of phoney water sales pitches



The City of Ottawa advises residents to be vigilant of door-to-door salespeople making false claims about the quality of City drinking water.

The City has received complaints from residents who have been contacted by salespeople of water filtration or treatment systems who are providing incorrect information about water quality.

The drinking water delivered to Ottawa residents exceeds all federal and provincial health-based water quality guidelines and standards. Ottawa's drinking water has been rated by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change as being among the safest in the world and it is continually tested to ensure that those high standards are maintained.

Residents are also reminded that:

- City employees do not contact residents to sell products or services.
- Except for emergency situations, any visits that may require access to homes or businesses by City staff are scheduled in advance.
- Residents are provided with advance notice of projects that may impact them.
- All employees requesting access to homes have City-issued photo identification cards.

Residents who are directly contacted by persons claiming to be City employees for City business are asked to check identification, and, if concerns remain, contact the City prior to allowing access.

Please report any suspicious, unsolicited calls or visits to the Ottawa Police Service by calling 613-236-1222.

The results of the City's extensive drinking water quality analysis program are posted on ottawa.ca.

Meetings at Ottawa City Hall next week

All public meetings will be held at Ottawa City Hall, 110 Laurier Avenue West, unless otherwise noted.

Planning Committee – Tuesday, August 23, 9:30 a.m., Champlain Room

- Confederation Line Proximity Study Fees – Zone of Influence
- Development Charge Complaint – 300 Greenbank Road
- Comprehensive Zoning By-Law 2008-250: Omnibus Amendments Q3 2016
- Zoning By-Law Amendment – 2710 Draper Avenue, 2781, 2785, 2795 Baseline Road
- Zoning By-Law Amendment – Part of 2333 Mer Bleue Road, Part of 2336 Tenth Line Road (Also Known as 2331 Mer Bleue Road), Part of 3024 and 3100 Brian Coburn Boulevard, 800 Décoeur Drive, 600, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 613, 615, 617, 619, 621, 623, 633, 635, 637, 639 Des Aubépines Drive and 215, 218, 370, 375 Hepatica Way
- Development Charges Complaint – 60 Camelot Drive
- New Requirements for Site Plan Control in Sandy Hill

Community and Protective Services Committee – Thursday, August 25, 9:30 a.m., Champlain Room

- Status Update – Community and Protective Services Committee Inquiries and Motions – for the Period Ending August 18, 2016
- Ottawa Fire Services 2015 Annual Report
- Prohibiting the Use of Water Pipes in Public Places and Workplaces



EMAIL UPDATES

If you know a Stittsville resident of Ward 6 that would like to be added to my weekly electronic outreach list, please have them contact my office to ensure they receive pertinent information

concerning our community. Further information about any of these articles can be found on my website or you can contact my office to obtain details.

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