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My Dear Friends and Family of Stittsville,



I am happy to live in a democratic society where every vote counts! Stittsville voters have spoken clearly in this election. As many of you can appreciate, it will take me time to transition from Councillor to resident. My transition begins first and foremost with some important thankyou's.

I am so grateful for the kind and caring individuals of Stittsville. Thank you to Stittsville – Our Extended Family.

My staff and volunteers are amazing individuals with many talents. I am forever in debt to all of you for your support, faith and inspiration over the years. From the bottom of my heart, Thank you!



Thank you Stittsville for the honour of representing you in the great city of Ottawa. I am proud of how far we have come in Stittsville since 2006. These are exciting times for our community.

My sincere congratulations to Glen Gower for his election as our next Councilor. I have done my best to lay a body of work and projects for our community that will now be completed in your term. I will be cheering you on as you continue moving our community forward.

Theresa, Shahid, Ferzana and I are humbled and overwhelmed by the many calls, texts, messages, emails, flowers and cards. Please know that I will continue to be here in Stittsville for you and doing everything in my power to keep our community great.

I look forward to new adventures in the future and wish you all good health and much happiness!



Kavanagh Green Plaque Installed



Last week the City installed the plaque commemorating the Kavanagh Green site at the corner of Stittsville Main Street and Hazeldean Road. This was the final step to complete this unique gathering space. Back in August, I had the pleasure of joining Mayor Watson, Sharon Kavanagh along with friends and family to officially open the park. The Kavanagh family has a strong connection to the Stittsville community through many important contributions. For over 24 years the family owned and operated the Stittsville Flea Market, a popular gathering place for many residents across the City and beyond. The dedicated time and efforts to the Food Bank, Holy Spirit Church and the Ruddy-Shenkman Hospice.

It has been a pleasure seeing the activity that takes place at what was once a passive green space – residents now taking advantage of the various features to enjoy; including a bocce court, a gazebo, games tables (chess and checkers), a putting green, and a fitness station.

Fringewood Playground Replacement Project



The Fringewood Park playground replacement project is posted [online](#). Residents invited to provide their comments on the proposed options for Fringewood Park located at 14 Fringewood Drive in Stittsville. .

If you wish to provide comments please send, no later than October 31, 2018 to:

Jennifer Hemmings, Parks Planner
Parks and Facilities Planning
Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services
City of Ottawa
Jennifer.Hemmings@ottawa.ca

West Ridge Park A – Playground Replacement Project

The following [link](#) offers concept plans and images that depict two options for the lifecycle replacement of the play equipment proposed for West Ridge Park, located at [20 West Ridge Drive](#) in Stittsville. The community is invited to provide comments and preference between Option A and Option B on the plans as shown below.

If you wish to provide comments please send, no later than November 6, 2018 to:

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Zoning By-Law Amendment 5331 Fernbank Road

The Planning Department received an application for a [Zoning By-law Amendment](#) for [5331 Fernbank Road](#), to permit the development of a large format retail hub including retail buildings, a service station, car wash and restaurants. The applicant is proposing to rezone the subject lands from Business Park Industrial, Exception 2411 (IP [2411]) to General Mixed Use (GM), with site-specific exceptions, for reduced interior side yard setback requirements and to permit a “gas bar” on the site.

Questions and comments on this item can be forwarded to the lead planner for the file Laurel McCreight laurel.mccreight@ottawa.ca

Timbermere Stormwater Management Pond

Low Flow Outlet Rehabilitation

The City will be undertaking rehabilitation of the low flow outlet structure for the Timbermere storm management pond this Fall. Fencing has recently been installed around the work area to ensure turtles do not enter the construction zone. Work has commenced and is anticipated to be complete by early December.

If you have any questions regarding the work, please contact:

Ben Strang
Project Specialist
Stormwater Management Services
tel: (613) 580-2424, ext. 20437
email: Benjamin.Strang@ottawa.ca

Legalization of Cannabis

On Wednesday, October 17, Cannabis became legal in Canada for adults to possess, grow and consume recreational cannabis. The [Government of Canada](#) and the [Province of Ontario](#) have established laws in respect to the use, possession and sale of recreational cannabis. In Ontario, the minimum legal age for consumption and possession is 19, and it is legal to consume cannabis where smoking tobacco is allowed, subject to certain exceptions.

Using

In Ottawa, municipal by-laws prohibit smoking and vaping of cannabis products on City property, such as City parks, arenas, recreational centers, libraries, pools, transit stations and buses. Provincial legislation also prohibits the smoking and vaping of cannabis where the smoking and vaping of tobacco is prohibited.

In addition, similar to alcohol, provincial legislation prohibits the consumption of cannabis in a vehicle or boat, and requires that any cannabis in a vehicle or boat be unopened, in its original packaging, or not be readily available to any person.

Buying and selling

The only legal way to acquire recreational cannabis in Ontario is online, through the [Ontario Cannabis Store](#). Cannabis for recreational uses will be sold through authorized cannabis retailers, beginning April 1, 2019. Until then, cannabis retailers or dispensaries remain illegal and are subject to enforcement. The Province has determined that all retailers will be licensed by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario.

Cannabis and your health

It's important to know how cannabis affects you and to consider ways to consume it responsibly. Information on the health effects of cannabis is available at [OttawaPublicHealth.ca](#).

Impaired driving

The Ottawa Police Service remains committed to public safety, with a significant focus on impaired driving. The Ottawa Police Service has 28 trained drug recognition experts and more than 270 trained standardized field sobriety test officers, who will detect impairment by alcohol, prescription and non-prescription drugs. With the legalization of cannabis, targeted

enforcement, including RIDEs, screen drivers for impairment. Learn more about impaired driving at ottawapolice.ca.

For more information on the impacts of cannabis legalization in Ottawa, please visit ottawa.ca and OttawaPublicHealth.ca. For information on the legal framework for recreational cannabis, please visit the Government of Canada and the Province of Ontario. Access to cannabis for medical use will continue to be regulated by the Government of Canada under the rules that were in place prior to October 17.

What Ottawa Public Health has been doing in preparation for the legalization of non-medical cannabis



Over the past month, Ottawa Public Health (OPH) has been implementing its plan aimed at preventing cannabis use, particularly among youth, encouraging lower-risk use, supporting users wanting to reduce or quit, and protecting others from the second-hand effects.

The plan has four priority areas:

- 1) Population-based health promotion and prevention;
- 2) Health protection;
- 3) Early Identification and treatment; and

4) Surveillance.

OPH has continued its work under the 4–point cannabis plan in preparation of October 17. Activities have included:

- Supporting parents to have meaningful conversations with teens.

OPH is collaborating with Ottawa school boards and school–based partners to deliver eight [parent sessions](#) across the City and will be distributing resources to parents, including the [Cannabis TalkKit](#), and parent factsheet, which is available in English, French, Chinese (traditional and simplified), Arabic and Somali.

- Promoting the [Lower Risk Cannabis Use Guidelines](#) to support the public, including parents, [youth and young adults](#), to make evidence–informed decisions about cannabis use.

As of October 15, OPH’s targeted public education campaigns have reached over 76,000 people through social media advertisements.

OPH anticipates bus, bar and restaurant advertisements will be viewed 10 million times during the campaign duration.

In collaboration with local post–secondary institutions, OPH distributed nearly 15,000 resources to young adults on campus on the subject of cannabis [responsible use](#).

Since September 17, OPH has also leveraged earned media in print and on local radio and television outlets in both languages by providing more than 40 interviews and written responses to media regarding cannabis legalization.

- Collaborating with Maison Fraternité and Services Access to Recovery to increase awareness of mental health and addiction resources to assist people who may need help with their cannabis use.
- Publishing [local surveillance data](#) on cannabis use and related health outcomes in Ottawa and undertaking enhanced surveillance immediately following legalization to

assess the health impacts of cannabis legalization in Ottawa, in collaboration with relevant partners.

- Supporting the City's coordinated approach, including integrating public health messaging, providing resources to support enforcement and integrating healthy public policy into municipal approaches.

Over the next month, OPH will focus on extending the reach of the Blunt Fact and Toke Joke health promotion campaigns, enhancing surveillance following legalization, collaborating with City partners, and building capacity of youth intermediaries and youth leaders that support peer-to-peer groups in schools to address mental health and substance use.

Also related to this work, on October 8, 2018, the Medical Officer of Health submitted recommendations to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care pertaining to amendments to the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017 and on October 12, 2018, she submitted recommendations to the Standing Committee on Social Policy pertaining to Bill 36, *Cannabis Statute Law Amendment Act, 2018*.

Give feedback and get informed about City projects: Week of October 29

The City of Ottawa wants your input on the projects, policies, programs and services that affect your daily life. From open houses to workshops and online consultations, your feedback helps to shape City decisions.

The following online opportunities are available:

[Public input on retail cannabis](#): Residents are invited to provide input on the future of retail cannabis stores in Ottawa. Residents have from Thursday, October 25 until Wednesday, November 7 to complete the survey. Paper copies are also available at City's [Client Service Centres](#). The results from the surveys will help inform City

Council in its consideration of whether to allow cannabis retail stores to operate in Ottawa. More information on cannabis legalization can be found at ottawa.ca and OttawaPublicHealth.ca.

The following opportunities to learn more about City projects are available:

Ottawa Public Health and its partners are hosting information nights for parents to learn more about cannabis, the new legislation, how to talk to your youth as well as available resources and services.

Tuesday, October 30

[Cannabis Parent Information Nights](#)

Collège catholique Samuel-Genest

704 Carsons Road

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Session will be held in French

Thursday, November 1

[Cannabis Parent Information Nights](#)

St. Peter Catholic High School

750 Charlemagne Boulevard

7 pm to 9 pm

Session will be held in English

The City offers residents a variety of opportunities to share information, consult and collaborate. Stay informed on [upcoming engagement opportunities](#) to see your ideas, suggestions and concerns incorporated in the work that affects you and your community.

Help Tysen reach his goal!



Back in 2013 Tysen Lefebvre set himself a 5-year plan with a goal of raising 200k a year, reaching his goal of 1-million-dollars by October 29th, 2018 for the Make a Wish Foundation. As of today, Tysen has raised close to 913k and adopted 70 wishes.

I would like to invite all of those who have given such great support over the years to please turn your generous hearts to Tysen and help him reach his Mission to a Million! You can donate at the following [link](#).



Six years ago Stittsville resident Eva Von Jagow, began a charity event called [ALL THAT GLAM](#), a sale of gently used jewelry and handbags to raise money for school breakfast programs in Nunavut. To date [ALL THAT GLAM](#) has raised over \$130,000!

I invite you to this year's event, taking place at the [Kanata Recreation Complex](#) from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturday, November 24th!

Tens of thousands of pieces of gently used jewelry and brand-name handbags will be available. There will be a silent auction featuring some beautiful designer bags and unique pieces of jewelry. Here is your opportunity to get something special for yourself or a unique gift for someone else while supporting a great cause.

Trick, or Swim, or Skate



Once again, for Halloween the City is offering for residents to choose a candy-free alternative to hand out to their trick or treaters for Halloween, [Trick or Swim or Skate](#) tickets. Each ticket is good for admission to a public swim or skate at a City recreation facility.

You can hand them out at the door on Halloween night or give them directly to the little trick-or-treater in your life. For more information on the tickets, you can visit the [City's web site](#).



Fairwinds 6th Annual Fairwinds Halloween Party

Residents are welcome to come out to the 6th annual Fairwinds Halloween Party starting at 4:00 p.m. on October 28 at the Campobello Park in Fairwinds. There will be a costume contest, games, treats and more. Non-perishable food items and monetary donations are being accepted for the Stittsville Foodbank.

Trick or Treat at the GRC October 26th

The Goulbourn Recreation Complex is haunted! On Friday October 26 starting at 5:00 pm come enjoy cookie decorating, a haunted house, ghoulish crafts, the Goulbourn Museum haunted photo booth, public skating and public swimming at Goulbourn Recreation Complex. Admission is free but you are welcome to drop off a non-perishable food item in the bin outside of my office.

There will be a free skate: 6:15 to 7:05 pm, Arena B (capacity of 120 skaters) and a free swim 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Trick or Treat with the Mayor



Looking for some spooky family fun? Come Trick or Treat with the Mayor on Saturday October 27th at City Hall from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Admission is a non-perishable donation to the Ottawa Food Bank's Baby Basics Program.

The [Ottawa Food Bank's Baby Basics Program](#) helps parents in need by providing items in high demand such as formula, baby food and diapers. Chronic shortages of donations of these basic needs make stocking the baby supplies one of the Food Bank's most expensive, but most precious priorities.

Hot chocolate and cookies will be served in the Hocus Pocus Café in Jean Pigott Place.

Halloween safety!



As important, as it is to have fun on Halloween it is equally important to be safe. The Ottawa Police have few Halloween safety guidelines to [follow](#) and share with your kids. Wishing you and your family a Happy and safe Halloween!