

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2023 – Catherine Boucher

Planning our Neighbourhood:

- Commented on 10+ development proposals, won some modest improvements. Talk to Dave
- Impacts of Bill 23: Less community input, reduced cash-in-lieu of parkland, reduced development charges, DCs no longer for affordable housing, +++.
- Bill39: Strong Mayor powers
- Hintonburg Pumphouse consultation
- Bill C23 Federal Heritage legislation

Public Realm:

- A year ago, we started P4X (Plouffe Park, Plant Pool coalition) to plan new park/facility. No meeting yet with City staff!!
- Worked with CAFES and Carleton students to produce info sheets and video on broadening community engagement around environmental issues
- Brought the community garden back into fold.
- Gave away trees in Plouffe Park last June, thanks to Ecology Ottawa
- Gearing up for Trees in Trust walk and knock
- Starting a Neighbourhoods group. Talk to Debbie
- Working for a re-newed Sweet Willow Garden on Rochester. Maybe part of the OCLT.
- Cambridge St. public art finally going in 😊
- Norman/Rochester – new park. Gave comments and...
- June 13: Climate Resiliency Community Dialogue. McNabb CC, 6:30. CAFES and CCA – Talk to Debbie

Mobility:

- Slater/Albert reconstruction. Been going on all year Site of Construction Season kick off on Monday!
- Scooter pilot. Much better behaved in its 4th year.
- Albert Bus Lane: Possibly has been removed without our being informed.
- Bike lane on Rochester

- Booth Street traffic – in our lifetime?
- Left turn to Booth for residents of Lett
- Transportation Master Plan workshop/consultation
- Comments on Preston extension and Library site Transportation Impact

Messaging Out:

- Revamped our website (Thanks Jess and Jenna)
- BUZZ column has been great (Thanks Ed) and we have more than doubled our membership.
- Would love to see more folks interested helping out Talk to Archie
- Looking for a cheap/free printing for our brochure ++

Peaceable Neighbourhood:

- Eccles Street party, more to come
- Visit to the SWCHC SCS in January
- Met with City on Vacant Property Strategy
- Participated in Inner-City Stakeholders of the Ottawa Peoples' Commission.
- \$550 to spend from OPC (street parties?) Talk to Ryan

Board and Executive Committee:

- Followed Bills 23 and 39 and impacts
- ONCA (Ontario Non-Profit Corporations Act) required changes to by-laws
- Also tidied up our Letters Patent
- In order to increase our paltry revenues, proposing new membership fee.
- Co-sponsored Municipal Election debate with GCA/CCA
- Breaking in a new City Councillor ☺ and staff