



**Riverside Park Community Association
Annual Members Meeting - October 22, 2025**

**Dear Members of the Riverside Park
Community Association,**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the volunteer Board of Directors for their excellent work. Your commitment to making Riverside Park an even better neighbourhood and community is applauded, and I appreciate the time, effort and energy that you all dedicate to the Association and our community. Thank you for your service.

My report intends to provide a high-level summary of issues tackled this year:

LOCAL RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

THE DOCKS AT MOONEY'S BAY

Progress has been made on the Westside Condo buildings fronting Riverside. Model suites in the Westside 2 condos will be ready for viewing beginning early November. The townhomes are well underway with foundations poured and excavation work complete.

As part of this development, the community will receive a new City-owned park. I am currently working with OSEAN and City staff to understand opportunities to create a more climate resilient space, while maintaining the design which was brought to the community. I am firm in the belief that any major changes to the park must seek engagement and support from the community before implementation.

729 RIDGEWOOD – BRIGIL

A site plan agreement package was sent to Brigil this month by the City. Brigil is working to finalize their agreements with neighbours. No work is anticipated until the new year.

770 BROOKFILED - THE REVALIE

Construction at the Reveille will continue through fall and into 2026. They are anticipating completion in 2026, including the opening of ground-floor retail.

CONFEDERATION HEIGHTS MASTER PLAN

The City is currently preparing a new secondary plan to guide the future redevelopment, planning, and implementation of future public infrastructure at Confederation Heights. A second public open house will be scheduled later this Fall to present the Secondary Plan including draft policies, as well as the Confederation Heights Master Plan created by Canada Lands Company.

More information about the scope of the study and next steps for the plan can be found on Engage Ottawa: <https://engage.ottawa.ca/confederation-heights-secondary-plan>.

NORBERRY RESIDENCES

Demolition of the covered parking garage continues. Once demolition is complete, crews will move on to minor cleanup, asphalt leveling, LED light instillation, and line painting. While we currently do not have an exact date, management's goal is to have the parking area ready by November 1, 2025. This explains why there is an increase of cars parked on the street

ST. PATRICK'S HOME OF OTTAWA

The current project includes a 133-unit apartment building, focused on accommodations for older adults. The building will be adjacent to the Long-Term Care Home. This spring, St. Patrick's worked with City Staff and the Property Owner to secure a long-term lease, greater than 21 years, and worked with their funder to satisfy all funding requirements.

The signed Site Plan was provided by the City this month and a Building Permit will follow. They anticipate a Spring 2026 construction start.

1822 BANK ST AT WALKLEY – BGO DEVELOPMENT

The BGO (BentallGreenOak) Development team have worked with City Staff since May to refine their plans for the 1822 Bank at Walkley site. They have provided updates to their initial concept plan and are working on their formal submission.

The updated application includes a multi-phased redevelopment with four high-rise buildings, heights ranging from 25 to 40-storeys, arranged around a new public park. They are anticipating 1,400 units.

WALKLEY ROAD MODIFICATIONS

In 2026, work will begin to modify the Walkey Corridor. This work will integrate with multiple projects including Airport Parkway Widening, Active Transportation, and Bank St Renewal.

AIRPORT PARKWAY WIDENING PHASE 1A

Construction will include the new southbound Airport Parkway off-ramp, a roundabout, rehabilitation of the bridge crossing Airport Pkwy, and an additional connection to the Sawmill Creek MUP. The new off-ramp will be closed to traffic until Walkley modifications in Phase 1B are complete.

AIRPORT PARKWAY WIDENING PHASE 1B

Phase 1B of the Airport Parkway Widening project will begin at the newly constructed roundabout and terminate at McCarthy Road. This work is expected to begin in 2027.

Work on the westside of Walkey will include sewer and water updates/upgrades, bike lanes, upgraded traffic signals and street lighting and landscaping work.

The project includes updates to the intersection of Walkley/McCarthy. This work will include an extension of the McCarthy west-bound left lane, a dedicated eastbound right-turn lane, and bike lane connections.

I am concerned with potential cut through traffic on Southmore, Thorndale, and Provost. I am committed to working with City staff, the Association, and local residents to install proactive measures before the off-ramp opens to the public to ensure traffic entering our neighbourhood is calmed. I have asked staff to assess the feasibility of making Provost Dr one-way.

WALKLEY ROAD ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION (PHASE 1B PROJECT)

The Walkey Road Active Transportation Project, approved as part of the 2013 Ottawa Cycling Plan and re-confirmed at a priority in the 2025 Transportation Master Plan (TMP), will include buffered bike lanes from McCarthy to Riverside and will ensure the bike network connects to all Phase 1 work. This will include a reduction to two lanes of traffic. This work will take place within Phase 1B construction. A presentation was first provided to the RPCA in 2021 which outlined 10 Walkey Rd projects, including this one.

BANK STREET RENEWAL

As the Bank Street Renewal project makes its way to our neighbourhood, construction of additional active transportation connections between the Walkley roundabout and Bank will follow. Construction of the Walkley and Bank intersection will include additional active transportation features on the east portion of Walkley from the Transitway to Bank. The timeline for Bank Street Renewal is currently 2028+.

MOONEY'S BAY PARK

MOONEY'S BAY TENNIS COURT RENEWAL & BASKETBALL COURT PROJECT

In June, the City completed their public engagement for the Mooney's Bay Tennis and Basketball Court Renewal Project. I have requested that the next design phase include more trees and greenery as part of the project scope. A "What We Learned" report is currently available on Engage Ottawa: [Mooney's Bay Tennis Court Renewal and New Basketball Court Project | Engage Ottawa](#)

MOONEY'S BAY PAVILION RENEWAL

The City is preparing a feasibility study for the future replacement of the Beach Pavillion at Mooney's Bay Park. My office hosted an open house on May 8, 2025, and the public survey received responses between April 17 and June 6, 2025. City Staff are working to put together a report on Engage Ottawa which will summarize all feedback received. The final feasibility study will be available by December 2025. If you have any questions or further comments, please contact the project team at pavillon.mooneys.pavilion@ottawa.ca.

MOONEY'S BAY HILL FEASIBILITY UPDATE

Consultants are expected to finalize the Mooney's Bay Hill Modification Feasibility Study by the end of October. Once complete, the study will be distributed to all members of Council.

WATERFOWL AT MOONEY'S BAY

On July 25, City staff began using a remote-controlled car for an hour per day throughout the summer. The geese are directed away from major lanes or paths that are used by cyclists or pedestrians. The sand car will be operated at a reasonable speed to ensure the safety of people and geese alike.

PERSONAL WATERCRAFT LAUNCH AREAS

In June I provided direction to staff to designate sites within existing beach areas to allow for launching of personal watercraft. Two areas on Mooney's Bay Beach were identified as locations for the 2026 season on both sides of the swim area. Signs will be installed in Spring 2026.

AROUND RIVERSIDE PARK

PATHWAY REPAIRS

Repair work was completed on the Paget Park pathway, connecting Springland to Brookfield. My office worked with staff to have the worst sections of the pathway repaired, including a portion of the pathway on school property. The pathway is still on the list for future renewal work.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PARKING RESTRICTIONS

During the beach and festival season, Riverside Park North experiences seasonal parking restrictions to manage local traffic during high-traffic events. My office delivered to each residence a copy of the "River Ward Festivals" flyer to notify residents in advance.

My office worked with Traffic Management and By-law to address concerns on an on-going basis through the summer. Across 4 major festivals in the Mooney's Bay area, By-law issued 766 parking tickets.

This winter parking restrictions will be in effect on Flannery between Lynhurst and Malden, adjacent to Flannery Park, from December 1 to March 31 to improve snow removal operations on the street.

RIDEAU RIVER FOOTBRIDGE

I continued to meet with City staff and Councillor Menard throughout the year to create a plan to keep the Rideau River footbridge open for Winter 2025. On September 3, I announced that a new top-layer will be added to the bridge deck to assist with snow-clearing and reduce the slippery surface of the bridge. This work is expected this month and into November.

RIVERSIDE DRIVE SPEEDING

In September, I met with Police Chief Stubbs to request attention to Riverside in the late evening. OPS has done some targeted enforcement in other areas of the City and they believe this is why we are seeing an increase in speeding in our area. We are advising residents to continue to file Traffic Complaints with the Ottawa Police Service.

PAULINE VANIER PARK

In September, consultation for swing set renewal at Pauline Vanier Park went live on Engage Ottawa. Once feedback is incorporated and the design is complete, construction is set to begin in Spring 2026. Thank you to the residents who completed the survey.

CITY OF OTTAWA

COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BY-LAW REVIEW

In May, my office invited residents to a River Ward specific public session to learn more about Draft 2 of the document. The release of Draft 3 prompted additional review of the lands in the “Southern Corridor”. A Statutory Public Meeting will take place at the Planning and Housing Committee meeting on December 17, 2025. The report for the new Zoning By-law will rise to Council on Wednesday, January 28. Once the new Zoning By-law is formally approved, the appeal period for new Zoning By-law will begin.

CHANGES TO WASTE BINS IN CITY PARKS

Due to my motion, between 2017 and 2025, the City conducted a pilot project in several parks to determine a new comprehensive diversion program in City parks. The new Solid Waste Master Plan, approved in 2024, included prioritization of recycling and organics in parks and public spaces.

BUDGET 2026

The Budget 2026 process is underway. The Draft Operating and Capital Budget will be tabled at City Council on November 12, and the vote on the final budget will take place December 10.

I plan to host a budget consultation with south-end Councillors on **November 25**, 6 PM at Jim Durrell RC.

OC TRANSP0 – LINE 2 & NEW BUS ROUTES

On Saturday, January 25 we officially opened Walkley Trillium Line Station with a ribbon cutting ceremony. We were joined by over 50 members of the community to celebrate the special occasion. On March 16, Line 2 officially opened for 7-day service.

On April 27, we experienced the largest bus route system change in our City’s history. These changes impacted some of our local routes, including Route 92. OC Transpo staff delivered a report to the Transit Committee last month, in response to my motion requesting they indicate their roadmap to achieving much more reliable and on-time bus service. I am not just raising this as an issue but constructively trying to understand the causes impacting on-time performance and then understanding which causes are in the realm of OC Transpo to take action on.

NEW TRAFFIC CALMING

The TTC program facilitates the installation of effective, low-cost traffic calming measures which are temporary and/or seasonal. Each Councillor is allocated an annual budget. My office works with Traffic Services to review requests for traffic calming based on data and neighbourhood consultation.

Street	To	From	Measure
Springland	@	Mooney’s Bay Pl	Stop bar flex stakes
Cromwell	Harkness	Dead-end	Painted edge lines
Springland	@	Ridgewood	Stop bar flex stakes
Colman	@	Harkness	Painted bulb-outs with delineators
Southmore Dr W	Fielding	McCarthy	Painted line edge
Feilding Dr	Cowan	Cowan	Speed hump
Southmore Dr E	Thorndale	Garwood	Flex stakes

Traffic Calming not included in TTC Program:
In response to concerns from neighbours, I requested the light at Springland and Walkley be reviewed for a red-light camera. It does not meet the requirements for red-light camera. In a meeting with Chief Stubbs, I requested additional enforcement of the no-right-turn signage. During an enforcement blitz, ~50 drivers were stopped.

PRIVATE APPROACH BYLAW REVIEW

Right of Way, Heritage and Urban Design Services is undertaking a comprehensive review of the Private Approach Bylaw to address issues that have emerged since enactment in 2003 and to align the document with the new zoning bylaw changes.

City staff are hosting a citywide online public information session on **November 4** which will cover how the City reviews and permits private approaches, the functions of the right of way that need to be preserved, and an overview of the proposed by-law updates. Time will be set aside to answer questions from attendees following the staff presentation.

ONTARIO NEWS

SPEED CAMERA LEGISLATION

On October 20, legislation was tabled to eliminate the use of speed cameras. Upon royal assent is received, speed cameras in the City will be removed and the Province will require municipalities to install new signage.

Today (October 22) at the Council meeting I spoke to a motion to re-affirm the City's position on speed cameras and their proven effectiveness in school zones and community safety zones. I am also very active on this file while serving on the Association of Municipalities Ontario Board.

UPCOMING EVENTS

E-WASTE DROP OFF

When: October 25, 10 AM – 4 PM

Where: Metro Parking Lot, 3310 McCarthy Rd

PRIVATE APPROACH BYLAW SESSION

When: November 4, 6 – 7:30 PM

Where: Online – Zoom

Registration:

us06web.zoom.us/join/tx449g3Tn2eI92GgBNrhQ#/registration

BUDGET 2026 CONSULTATION

When: November 25, 6:30 – 8 PM

Where: Ellwood Hall, Jim Durrell Recreation Centre,

CHRISTMAS TRIVIA NIGHT

When: December 5, 6 – 8:30 PM

Where: Kathy Ablett, Hunt Club-Riverside Park Community Centre, 3320 Paul Anka

RSVP: riley.brockington@ottawa.ca

RIVER WARD COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER

When: December 18, 5 & 6:15 PM

Where: Hunt Club-Riverside Park Community Centre, 3320 Paul Anka

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October 22, 2025