

Approved Minutes: CCA Board Meeting, April 7, 2021

Call to order: 7:06 p.m.

Present: Tahani Adi, Charity Bartlett, Tara Beechey, Kristen Bennett, Nelson Coyle, Anna Du Vent, Ahmed Elchamaa, Dave Janveau. **Regrets:** David Hoey. **Guests:** Peter Zakrewski, Alexandria Hodgson, Heather Darling, Robert Brinker.

- 1. Motion to Approve the Agenda: Motion to Approve the Amended Agenda: Moved by Ahmed Elchamaa, seconded by Nelson Coyle. There was no opposition; the motion was carried.
- 2. Motion to Approve the Minutes for the February 3, 2021, Board Meeting: Moved by Nelson Coyle, seconded by Tahani Adi. There was no opposition; the motion was carried.
- 3. New Civic Hospital Update by Robert Brinker

Last night, the Campus Engagement Group were briefed on the preliminary design of the new Civic Hospital. Robert B shared some information with the CCA Board. The updated timeline is that construction will start in 2023 and begins with the parking garage, followed by the hospital buildings with an anticipated opening date of 2028. Total project cost is estimated at \$2.8 billion.

Questions from the Board:

Will Prince of Wales Drive be expanded to accommodate traffic? No plans to expand. What service will the current Civic Hospital provide? The current Civic will become a long-term care hospital.

4. President's Report by Charity Bartlett

Elections: An eblast asking for volunteers for the Board will be sent in April. Information will be posted about elections on the CCA website and can also be used to link to all Facebook and Twitter posts. Charity asked today about how long Alexander might be closed. Charity B will touch base with Janis Philips, manager at the City for community centres and programs, in May to see if it's possible to host a hybrid AGM (in person and virtual). Even if the centre is closed, they may be able to potentially open it for small rentals such as the CCA AGM. Kristen B will help Charity B with the planning.

OMBA & the Bike Park: Paul McCulloch, the president of OMBA, is asking if the CCA can recruit some volunteers to help Nick Vipond with the Bike Park. The Board agreed to solicit volunteers on the CCA social channels.

By-law Review: The Board had the opportunity to make any final comments about the by-laws at the meeting. No one had comments. The updated by-laws will be posted on the website 30 days before the AGM and emailed to CCA members.



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Insurance: There is a new provider for General Liability and Director's Insurance. Charity B will fill out the forms and have a copy of the CCA financial statements in by April 12. There is also specific insurance for rink maintenance.

Ultimate Frisbee: The CCA again applied to use the field at Meadowvale Park for Ultimate Frisbee and was not given the time slot required. Parks and Rec says we can use the field Fridays; however, that does not work. The organization who has the lease on the field does not use the park during their scheduled time and the field sits empty. This is very frustrating and is an ongoing issue for the use of the field. Charity B will follow up with Daniel Gillespie, Program Coordinator, Central Allocations, City of Ottawa.

Carlington Community Grant: The Board had a brief discussion about whether to offer the grant this year. It was agreed to move forward and there was some talk to give the grant to activities run during COVID. Kristen B and David H will work together to set the parameters and make a go of it for 2021.

5. Parks and Recreation/TD Grant by Tara B

Tara B had not sent in the comments to the Parks and Recreation regarding legacy organizations holds on field bookings and ongoing issue preventing the use of Meadowvale field for the use of the CCA Ultimate Frisbee program. Tara B advised she would take care of it.

There was no update regarding the TD Park People grant at the time of the meeting. Tara B did hear the news the following week and the CCA was not awarded the grant.

6. Zoom Musical Activity by Kristen Bennett

- The program has been running for 3 weeks.
- 21 participated in first week, 11 the following week and 16 participants the third week.
- The virtual event was promoted in Councillor Riley Brockington's newsletter.
- Kristen B will continue to promote on social as it starts again this coming weekend. She found that sending the link 30 minutes before the program starts Saturday morning as a reminder with no need to register on social was very successful in gaining participants.

7. Development by Nelson Coyle

The New OP

Listed below are the four principal issues that Nelson C brought forward to Alain Miguelez, Manager of Policy Planning with the City of Ottawa, and Riley Brockington

- The impact of Fisher Ave of being a minor corridor which implies building heights up to 6 storeys and possible pressure for widening.
- The impact of the Transforming overlay on the north end of Carlington beginning at Crerar extra intensification (and the Evolving overlay on the remainder of Carlington).



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- The lack of direct action to address the lack of low-income housing a dependency on intensification and filtering to provide more accommodation and theoretically lower rents; and
- A lack of neighbourhood policies to protect and enhance the tree canopy and greenspaces the Plan sets out a city-wide goal only.

The group which organized the petition and brief regarding Fisher Ave continues to be active. They fear that development will ruin the woods alongside Fisher Ave and the City will try to widen it. Nelson C met with Mateusz Trybowski, Selina Bishop, Heather Douglas and Ruby Puni a week ago and the group is looking for support from the CCA and from community associations in River Ward to put pressure on Councillor Brockington, City staff and City Council to take the minor corridor designation off Fisher north of Baseline. They are researching the ownership of the lands next to Fisher north of Tunis. The group is also seeking a four-storey limit rather than six-storey if Fisher is not designated as a minor corridor.

Nelson C asked the CCA Board for physical communications and financial support to put up billboards along Fisher Ave and other streets in Carlington and to put out tweets and eblasts, to take up a further petition.

The Board agreed to support this endeavour. Tara B will help Nelson C price out the cost of signs.

1110 Fisher LPAT Appeal

The local resident involved in the appeal reported to Nelson C on the search for a planner for the appeal at 1110 Fisher. They have someone, Sean Galbraith from Toronto (<u>http://www.galbraithplanning.com/</u>). The planner needs some support from a lawyer. The plan's minimum cost is \$20,000 and the lawyer a further \$15,000. This is a crippling cost for this local resident who has a family with a small child.

Nelson C asked the Board to put up some of this cost, citing that this is an important appeal for the street and the community and indeed the City.

Charity B has asked the Board to think about how they wish to proceed for the next meeting in May to support this local resident and the cost for the LPAT appeal of 1110 Fisher.

8. Communications by Heather Darling

Heather D, a new volunteer with the CCA, is managing the CCA's inbox emails.

Heather D made some suggestions at the meeting about how she would triage emails coming into the CCA's inbox to ensure pertinent emails reach the Board.

Heather D suggested the use of an auto respond to emails to advise senders that their emails had been received. The Board liked this idea.

Heather D and Charity B will meet and talk about the CCA's Instagram account.



Requests made to the CCA by email:

Somerset Health Centre requested an endorsement. The Board agreed to endorse.

The Green Party of Canada requested that the CCA send out a communication by social media and email advising residents that they are seeking a candidate for Ottawa West Nepean. The Board decision was that the Green Party can attend the AGM and request to be added to the agenda under New Business.

9. Digital Storage for the CCA by Ahmed Elchamaa

To see which would be the best long term digital storage platform for the CCA, Ahmed has researched: Google Storage, Microsoft One Drive and Dropbox. Here is a synopsis of Ahmed's findings. Microsoft seems to be for larger non-profits and paperwork with charity information is required to get it. Dropbox is too expensive with too much storage and Google is less for a more appropriate amount storage space for the CCA's use.

Charity B tabled the Board needs to decide how much historical information to store beyond minutes and financial statements. The Board asked if what parameters exist for non-profit associations or in CCA's by-laws concerning what is required to be saved and for how long.

The Board did decide to move forward with Google account and to begin moving recent files over to Google Drive. Ahmed E is taking the lead.

10. Roundtable

Charity B and the Board discussed future plans of the CCA when Charity B's term as President ends in May 2021. This included areas where Charity B would like to be involved.

11. Adjournment: 9:19 p.m.