



# COUNCILLOR/CONSEILLER RILEY BROCKINGTON



## Carlington Community Association February 24, 2025

**Dear Members of the CCA,**

I trust you have had an enjoyable winter. Recent snowfalls have challenged the City Snow Operations team and snowbanks are currently being removed to provide safer travels within neighbourhoods.

As we enjoy another month of winter, now is the time to strap on your skates, snowshoes, or cross-country skis and enjoy all that Ottawa has to offer.

### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN OTTAWA**

Black History Month events are taking place across the city. I encourage residents to view the community event calendar for remaining events for Black History Month 2025, hosted by Black History Ottawa: Black History Month 2025 | Black History Ottawa.

### **ALEXANDER COMMUNITY CENTRE**

On February 5, the Carlington community joined Mayor Mark Sutcliffe and Councillor Riley Brockington to celebrate the \$11.8-million investment for the expansion and renovation of the 59-year old Alexander Community Centre.

The Budget 2025 investment will provide a modern look and feel to our community centre, making it a true hub for our community. It will provide more space for recreation and culture programming and activities, community events and meetings.

The expansion plans for the centre include:

- A full-size gymnasium
- A family changeroom
- Multipurpose program room and lounges for community use, including spaces for teens.

In addition, the current interior space will be renovated with a new front entry and customer service desk, and the kitchen facility will also be relocated.

More information regarding the timelines for the construction and renovations will be announced soon.

### **ROYAL OTTAWA HOSPITAL-Residential development proposal**

The Royal Ottawa Hospital and The Mathew Perry Foundation have recently announced the upcoming Matthew Perry House Ottawa, a supportive recovery community being built in collaboration with Ottawa Community Housing, Salus Ottawa, CAPSA, Rideauwood, Ottawa Black Mental Health Coalition and Ottawa Aboriginal Coalition.

This transformative initiative will provide housing, on-site care, and a comprehensive range of support services for over 160 individuals at a time.

The partnership team views this as the first step in reimagining addictions treatment and support



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in Canada. Their vision is to make Matthew Perry Houses accessible to anyone in need, creating a legacy of recovery while strengthening support systems for individuals and their families. The development would consist of three low-to-medium-rise apartment buildings in the rear of the ROH property.

Public information session:

Thursday, March 20, 5-7 pm

The Royal Ottawa Hospital, 1145 Carling Avenue

### **LOCAL RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS**

#### **Lone Star Plaza (780 Baseline Road at Fisher)**

City Council has approved the three-tower application in the winter of 2024. Approximately 1,100 residential units and ground floor retail and medical space is expected, with tower heights up to 32 stories. Councillor Devine and I plan to host a construction mitigation meeting with local residents, the developer and his team in early 2025. Construction of the most southern tower will be first and not expected until late 2025 at the earliest.

Public Information Session:

- When: March 6, 7:30-9pm
- Where: Fisher Heights Community Centre, 31 Sutton Place

#### **Westgate Mall Redevelopment**

The first tower on the Westgate property (Carling at Merivale) was completed a couple years ago, and RioCan, the property owner is now re-assessing its vision for Phase 2 and the entire project. My office has encouraged RioCan to come back to the community for a session on their revised plans and I will host it as soon as they are ready.

I hosted a recent meeting with the RioCan development team and they will provide a community update as soon as they are ready.

#### **1058, 1062, 1066 SILVER STREET**

The applicant is proposing to develop a four-storey apartment building at the corner of Silver St and Summerville Ave. This building is proposed to have 46 units. The three existing buildings at 1305, 1295, and 1291 Summerville will remain.

#### **16 ANNA & 1160 CARLING The Children's Place (Childcare)**

The City of Ottawa has approved the Zoning By-law Amendment application that will enable the existing detached dwelling to be converted into a 62 square metre day care and the properties will be considered as one lot for zoning purposes.



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### WATER INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL PROJECT

#### **VISCOUNT, HARROLD AND VETERAN**

Construction anticipated to begin in early summer 2025, with most work completed in 2026 and final reinstatement by spring 2027.

The project will include:

- Replacement of sections of the existing watermain and sanitary and storm sewers to accommodate level of service requirements in the area. Watermain replacement on Viscount Avenue, Harrold Place, and Veteran Avenue.
- Sanitary sewer replacement on Viscount Avenue and Harrold Place. Abandonment of sanitary between Harrold Place and Merivale Road. New sanitary on Veteran Avenue between Harrold Place and Viscount Avenue.
- Storm sewer replacement throughout except for Harrold Place storm sewers, which are in good condition and will be protected during construction.
- Water and sanitary service lateral replacement to City property line.
- Full road reconstruction, including installation of new wider concrete sidewalks.

Specific Traffic Calming Initiatives:

- Harrold Place: Implementation of one-way traffic, upgraded sidewalks, curb

extensions, speed humps, and raised crosswalks.

- Veteran Ave: Similar upgrades including wider sidewalks, curb extensions, speed humps, and raised intersections.

#### **ANNA AND CROWN**

Construction anticipated to begin in summer 2025, with most work completed in fall of 2026.

At this time attendees will be able to review the design, ask questions and provide comment on the proposed works.

A public information session is expected to be held in early April to present the design drawings to the public.

The project will include:

- Replacement of sanitary sewers and watermain.
- The storm sewers do not require replacement and are being protected except for a small segment on Crown Crescent that is in poor condition.
- Full road reconstruction including curbs and sidewalks will be implemented as well as water and sewer services to the property line within the project limits.
- The project will also add traffic calming elements such as speed humps and intersection and road narrowings, where appropriate to improve safety for all road users.



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- Efforts to manage implications to front yard landscaping and existing mature trees will be a project priority.

### MERIVALE (CARLING AT ANNA)

A public information session will be hosted in 2025 to inform local residents about the scope of work on this project. Since Merivale is a traditional main street, extra staff resources will be included for public engagement and outreach.

I am excited about this project as this will be the first true phase in redesigning Merivale Road, and making it a more vibrant, safe and aesthetically pleasing street, our neighbourhood's main street.

### CARLINGTON HEIGHTS PUMPING STATION

Construction anticipated to begin in early spring 2025, with most work completed fall 2028 and final reinstatement by summer 2029.

A new pump station, Morisset Avenue, will be designed and then constructed. The new pump station will be located on the west side of the reservoir, tight against the berm and adjacent to the existing communication tower compound. The existing pump station will remain in operation throughout the construction period of the new Pump station, as it is the only source of water supply to the ME Pressure Zone. The

existing pump station will only be decommissioned and demolished after the new pump station has been fully commissioned and is operating to the full satisfaction of the City.

The main components of the new pump station include the following:

- A new building complete with all new mechanical and electrical equipment to provide for the pumping needs for the ME Pressure Zone and the backup pumping needs of the 2W Pressure Zone.
- Backup power supply for the ME Pressure Zone pumps.
- A new 914mm diameter suction watermain connected directly to the existing 1200mm diameter watermain on the east side of the reservoir.
- Four new discharge watermains connected to existing watermains that supply water to the ME and 2W Pressure Zones.
- Demolition of the existing pump station after the new pump station has been fully commissioned.

### **TRANSIT UPDATES**

#### **NEW WAYS TO BUS**

The bus route changes that stem from the 2023 City-wide bus route review will go into effect on April 27, 2025. A New Ways To Bus Outreach Event will be held at Westgate mall in April



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before the changes take effect. Date will be shared with the community when it has been confirmed.

You can start planning your new routes using the [New Ways to Bus trip plans and schedules](#) [link] on the OC Transpo website.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **CARLINGTON VS KITCHISSIPPI TRIVIA NIGHT**

**-fully booked**

When: Saturday, March 1

Where: Alexander Community Centre, 960 Silver street

#### **COMMUNITY SPRING BREAKFAST**

When: April 19 at 10-11:30 AM

Where: Alexander Community Centre, 960 Silver street

#### **MOTHER'S DAY HIGH TEA**

When: Saturday, May 10 at 2 & 3:15 PM

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

RSVP information to come.

#### **STRAWBERRY SOCIAL**

When: Thursday, June 5 at 1 PM

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

RSVP information to come.

#### **RIVER WARD EARTH DAY EVENT**

Join us for Earth Day activities at the Hunt Club Riverside Park Community Centre, 3320 Paul Anka Dr on April 26 from 10 AM – 1 PM.

We welcome JunkThatFunk in the parking lot behind Metro on Paul Anka from 10 AM to 4 PM to collect e-waste. More activities will be announced closer to the date.

Do you have green ideas for Earth Day 2025? Our community working group would be happy to hear your feedback. Please consider sharing them with my office us by email at [abbie.simpson@ottawa.ca](mailto:abbie.simpson@ottawa.ca).