



**Dear Members of the HCCA,**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the HCCA for their excellent work on Southern Corridor engagement over the course of the past year. Your commitment to making Hunt Club an even better neighbourhood and community is applauded, and I appreciate the time and effort.

**LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE**

**PAUL ANKA PEDESTRIAN CROSSING**

The Project is now considered substantially complete. The only remaining work is the power supply connection by Hydro Ottawa. Once the snow melts, you will see additional pavement markings. Workers will wait until a warm/ dry day in March for activation. We will share confirmation of the PXO activation once we receive it from City Staff.

**AIRPORT PARKWAY/ WALKLEY ROUNDABOUT**

On January 27, I hosted a meeting with City Staff to receive an update on the Walkley Road off-ramp and roundabout. At this meeting, staff have shared that Phase 1 of this project, that is, the roundabout, will commence construction by August 2026. Phase 2 of this project will involve Walkley Road west of the new roundabout.

This revised proposal following the passage of Bill 60, removes the bike lanes and keeps the 3-lane configuration – 2 travel lanes, 1 turning lane – along the Walkley corridor.

In the coming weeks, City Staff will provide my office with a revised design for this project to share with the community.

**OTTAWA 200**

The City of Ottawa is getting ready to celebrate Ottawa's 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The City has confirmed Ottawa200 grant programs, Ottawa Bluesfest special line-up, partnerships with Ottawa Tourism, and more events slated for **S a t u r d a y , S e p t e m b e r 2 6 .**

Ottawa Tourism announced funding support for 14 projects through its 200th Tourism Animation Fund. These events will take place between March 1 and December 31. A list of events can be found here:

<https://ottawatourism.ca/en/media/resources/media-releases/200th-tourism-animation-fund-recipient>

Learn more about Ottawa 200:

<https://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/city-news/newsroom/ottawas-200th-anniversary-will-feature-year-investment-arts-entertainment-and-fun>

**CITY OF OTTAWA**

**COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BYLAW REVIEW**

On January 28, my motion on the Southern Corridor lands was approved unanimously. This is the second battle won within the month to defend, protect and publicly amplify the importance of these critical public lands – not

just for the public's enjoyment, but for their ecological importance as well.

The engagement across River Ward was significant, and included all six community associations, condo and tenant groups, businesses and individual residents. Most recently the community came together with other local community and environmentally focused groups to bring to light the value of these lands.

Thank you to everyone who reached out to me, attended various public events and meetings over the years and stood up for what you believe in and what is important to you, your family and our community.

### **MOONEY'S BAY HILL FEASIBILITY**

On November 25, the Community Services Committee received the Mooney's Bay Park Hill Modification Study in response to a motion I put forward to fund an external engineering and landscape architectural feasibility study, including preliminary costing for modifications.

The Mooney's Bay Hill Modification Feasibility Study indicates that it is feasible to modify the Hill to allow for reasonably safer sledding for multiple user groups. Three design options were developed to showcase potential hill modifications.

There is currently no plan to move forward with the recommendations. Council has not discussed the report, nor has funding been allocated.

I intend to host a session to review the options, as well as the "do nothing" option. The intention of the session is to understand community needs and measure support for the project moving forward.

More information can be found here: <https://pub-ottawa.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=274388>

### **OC TRANSPO – BUS RELIABILITY & O-TRAIN**

On April 27, we experienced the largest bus route system change in our City's history. Transit users have not experienced improved service. In September, due to my inquiry, staff presented a road map to get us to reliable bus service. Since then, OC Transpo continues to see challenges with bus procurement, mechanic hiring, and new challenges with the Line 1 trains.

On January 27, I attended a technical briefing by OC Transpo to detail the plan to fully restore O-Train service on Line 1. Line 1 is currently operating mostly single-car service as work is completed to address "spalling" on the cartridge bearing assemblies (CBAs). OC Transpo is working with Rideau Transit Group (RTG), Alstom, and Rideau Transit Maintenance (RTM) to inspect, assess, replace, and understand the long-term solutions to this issue. This work is ongoing and more information will be shared in the coming weeks.

### **BUDGET 2026**

The Budget 2026 passed on December 10. The Hunt Club community will see some major investments:

- Ottawa Public Library, construction start-up costs for new Old Hunt Club branch: \$2,000,000
- Riverside/Hunt Club intersection - southbound right turn lane modifications: \$510,000

*Road resurfacing:*

- Paul Anka Drive - from Uplands Drive to McCarthy Road: \$395,000
- Uplands Drive - from Riverside Drive to Country Club Drive: \$607,000

#### *Sidewalk Renewal:*

- Paul Anka Drive (west sidewalk) - from Uplands Drive to McCarthy Road: \$203,000
- Uplands Drive (both sidewalks) - from Riverside Drive to Country Club Drive: \$740,000

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **ALTO HIGH-SPEED RAIL VIRTUAL INFORMATION SESSION**

##### *English*

- Friday, February 20 - 12 p.m.
- Monday, February 23 - 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 3 - 7 p.m.

##### *French*

- Friday, February 6 - 12 p.m.
- Monday, February 16 - 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 17 - 7 p.m.

Learn more about the ALTO project here:

<https://www.altotrain.ca/en/public-consultation>

#### **RIVERSIDE PARK vs. HUNT CLUB TRIVIA NIGHT**

**When:** March 27 – Dinner at 5:15, trivia at 6

**Where:** Hunt Club-Riverside Park Community Centre

RSVP your group of 4 at:

[riley.brockington@ottawa.ca](mailto:riley.brockington@ottawa.ca)

#### **EARTH DAY 2026**

Save the date! Earth Day is coming back to River Ward. Join us on April 18. More details to come!

#### **OLDER ADULT SUMMIT**

**When:** May 21, 8:30 AM – 12 PM

**Where:** Hunt Club-Riverside Park Community Centre

RSVP at [riley.brockington@ottawa.ca](mailto:riley.brockington@ottawa.ca) or 613-580-2486

#### **STRAWBERRY SOCIAL**

**When:** June 4, 1 – 2:30 PM

**Where:** Hunt Club-Riverside Park Community Centre

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