



**PASSING OF JOHN SANKEY – FORMER
PRESIDENT, HUNT CLUB COMMUNITY
ASSOCIATION**

It is with profound sadness that the family of John Sankey announce his passing. We say goodbye to an amazing, wonderful and beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. John passed away peacefully on April 16, 2026.

John devoted his life to his family, his community, and his many career and personal interests. While he was an accomplished musician from childhood, he chose a career first in engineering and then in physics, where his achievements continue to contribute to our understanding of the universe. He was a lifelong advocate for the environment, a dedicated naturalist and an avid gardener. More than anything he loved sharing his vast knowledge with his children and grandchildren and contributing to his community wherever he went.

We appreciate and acknowledge John's service as past President of the HCCA. I was honoured to have attended his funeral on April 21 at Pinecrest Remembrance Services.

**LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE &
DEVELOPMENT**

SHEARWATER TEMPORARY ACCESS

My office met with City Staff and the team at Ottawa Community Housing to explore the feasibility of creating permanent second access. This request is the result of feedback received during pre-construction meetings.

City Staff are supportive of the additional access and will work with the Shearwater team to address sight

light and drainage concerns once a formal application is submitted.

TRAFFIC CALMING 2026

Reinstatements for Traffic Calming approved in previous years began on March 31 and will continue into June. Pavement marking refreshing also began last week.

Implementation of new traffic calming measures will begin in June. My office has reviewed requests from the previous year, and all year-over-year requests, to determine new measures. A list will be shared once all feasibility is returned by Traffic Services.

Speed on Uplands has continued to be a key issue in the community. This year, we will be implementing four speed bumps, two at each park – Paul Landry Park and Uplands Park. This will support lower speeds around both parks.

Additionally, my office requested a review of speed bump feasibility on Kimberwick Crescent. This month, my office will re-survey the neighbourhood to review two options before moving forward.

WALKLEY ROAD MODIFICATIONS

In June, the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee will receive an update on the impact of Bill 60 on projects throughout the City. One of the main impacts of Bill 60 is the moratorium on vehicle travel lanes for bike infrastructure. Walkley was set to receive a "road diet" and cycling infrastructure. We will share revised plans with the public when they become available.

We expect the Walkley roundabout and work on the roadway east of the roundabout will go to tender

within the coming month. Work is anticipated to start before August 2026.

UPCOMING ENBRIDGE PIPE REPLACEMENTS

As part of a Provincial program, Enbridge is replacing plastic piping installed sometime during the 1960s. In our Ward, we will see 5 separate projects. These projects include:

- Kildeer Bay (Complete)
- McCarthy Road (3491 stretch) – Early May
- McCarthy Road (3455 stretch) – May 20 to June 12
- Cahill Dr W (890 stretch) – June 15 to September 15
- Cahill Dr W (840 stretch) – to be scheduled.

Impacted households will receive communications directly from Enbridge. A number will be provided for impacted residents if any concerns arise. If you require any support, please reach out to our office and we will connect you with the project team.

SAWMILL CREEK SLOPE STABILIZATION

The Sawmill Creek slope stabilization project involves reinforcing approximately 30 m of the west slope of the Sawmill Creek constructed wetland, as well as repaving a second of the multi-use pathway near the stabilization work.

This work begins today (May 4) and will continue until May 15, subject to weather. This work requires full closure of the affected section to complete the work safely and efficiently. Signage will be installed in advance of the closure to notify pathway users and provide a detour directing pathway users to travel via Walkley Road, Bank Street, and South Keys station to reconnect to the pathway network.

CITY OF OTTAWA

OWL PARK DOG DESIGNATION

On May 1, the designation for Owl Park changed from Dogs off-leash to, ***Dogs on leash 8am-4pm Monday-Friday September 1-June 30; Dogs off-***

leash all other times. Post-cards were delivered late-April to provide residents with advance notice.

SOUTHERN CORRIDOR UPDATE

The City of Ottawa and NCC were slated to meet late winter and early spring to formulate a list of NCC owned lands across the City that the Crown Agency wants to nominate as lands available for the purposes of building residential housing.

The NCC did not accept terms that City Council established for nominating parcels from the Southern Corridor and therefore could not conclude this matter. A special joint committee meeting was set aside for April 10 which did meet but did not include the NCC owned lands.

The City has asked the NCC to outline, by way of a letter, its expected next steps for this process. As of today, The NCC did not write to the City and the City's GM of Planning believes it will now be some time while the NCC reflects on its strategy going forward.

SPRING STREET CLEANING

Citywide Street Sweeping Operations began in early April and must end by May 31.

When the cleaning makes it to your street, you will then see a sidewalk sweeper push grit, debris, and dust onto the roadway. Then a vacuum sweeper or mechanical sweeper truck will pick up the materials in the roadway.

This operation might be repeated several times to ensure a clean surface. If vehicles are parked on the street, the unswept area is noted, and crews will return to sweep that portion at a later date.

Residents are reminded to not rake or blow leaves, lawn clippings or other debris onto the roadways as it can make our operations more challenging, especially if the area has already been swept.

More information about [street sweeping operations](#) is available on [Ottawa.ca](#).

RIVER WARD EVENTS

EARTH DAY RECAP

Thank you to the HCCA and volunteers for supporting our annual Earth Day event. We welcomed 21 community booths to the event. The Mayor had an opportunity to speak with the community and learn more about the green initiatives in our Ward! We gave out over 300 hot dogs, welcomed 480 e-waste drop-offs for a total of 20,000 lbs of total electrical waste recycled. We hope to build on the event's success in 2027.

MOTHER'S DAY (SOLD OUT!)

When: May 9, 2 & 3:30 PM

Where: Hunt Club-Riverside Park Community Centre

OLDER ADULT SUMMIT

When: May 21, 8:30 AM – 12 PM

Where: Hunt Club-Riverside Park Community Centre

RSVP at 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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Riley Brockington

May 4, 2026