

Vanier Community Association / Association communautaire de Vanier Oct. 12th 2021 / 12 oct. 2021 7:30-8:30 / 19h30 – 20h30 Via Zoom

MINUTES / COMPTE RENDU

Attendees: Lauren Touchant, president; Jenni Campbell, Suzanne Lépine, treasurer; Johanne Leroux, secretary; Samantha Cameron-Ellis, Nicole McRae; Rose Anne Leonard,

Regrets: Chris Greenshields, vice-president

Disclosure Conflict of interest – not discussed

Approval of Minutes of last meeting - not discussed

Items	Notes	Action items
Welcome		
Approval of agenda	Nicole proposes, Johanne seconds. Adopted.	
215 North River Rd Project, members' questions	The VCA's questions issued at last meeting were sent to Montfort Renaissance. Lauren presents and translates Montfort Renaissance's reply written in French by Marie-Andrée Carrière Directrice, Gestion de sevrage et Stabilisation résidentielle/ Director, Withdrawal Management and Residential Stabilization Montfort Renaissance Inc. & Centre de gestion du sevrage d'Ottawa/ Ottawa Withdrawal Management Centre 1777, chemin Montreal Ottawa, ON K1J 6N1 Tél./Tel: 613 241-1525 poste 117 Téléc./Fax: 613 241-2172 macarriere@mri.ca www.montfortrenaissance.ca	Ongoing:

10 clients max; between 6 and 8 people in the house on average, bilingual service, 16 yrs old and more; men and women; they want discretion; they will talk to immediate neighbours 100-150 meters. Not a group home by definition. A transitioning house for additions. Not a shelter, not a group home, they oppose Salvation Army model and approach. Very strict program conditions. House supervised 24/7. Clients are to behave like community residents. They want to work with Safety community and community to prevent drug dealing in the park, for which they were not aware. Located 400 m from a group home above the 300 m minimum standard. Renovation will not affect exterior aspect of the house. Landscaping to follow. The backyard fence will respect the city norms. Comparable property value to other city zones. They liked the property access to the park. No public consultation because no change in zoning. Ottawa clientele. Q- Could Vanier have group homes (not

Q- Could Vanier have group homes (not shelters) facilities every 300-500 m?
Q- Concentration of social services preoccupation in Vanier. More services are needed for families.

Q- Who is leading Montfort Renaissance? Q- What is the city zoning for Transitional housing?

MR did not accept VCA's invitation to tonight's meeting. They are ready to answer VCA's questions.

333 Montreal Rd / 333 Ch. De Montréal (10 min)

Salvation Army

VCA received an invitation from 4 City Councillors to join the SA site planning Advisory committee again Oct. 18th at 9 a.m. to consider changes to the plan before SA resubmit an application to the City. Drew Dobson (Leader SOS Vanier) and Mark Kalusky (president BIA) met with VCA: all will attend meeting and advocate that SA consult the population. VCA has submitted a letter without prejudice in April 2018 to the SA. VCA hopes to slow down the process in the hopes that the new Council elected in the next municipal election will flip the decision. Site planning Committee and Programming Committee were split in 2018,

Ongoing:

M. Fleury explains that a plan site is presented only to the Urban Committee which has delegated authority. The plan is debated and is not sent to Council. The plan can be retracted by the ward councillor. M. Fleury will enquiry about which procedures

but apparently were joined again. We hope to keep them separate to slow down the process. Wabano Centre and Vanier Community Services Centre were not consulted and should be this time. We want to argue with new elements of COVID-19 pandemic.

Q- consultation is not mandatory for social services; but they are essential and we will insist that they are invited to the Advisory Table; Urban design review panel – we have to go back.

The Board endorses the stalling approach.

will be followed this Monday. Un plan de site se rend uniquement au Comité d'urbanisme qui a un pouvoir (delegated authority) qui peut être retiré par le conseiller du quartier. Mathieu va s'enquérir à ce qui s'applique cette fois lundi prochain. Habituellement c'est débattu au comité, mais ça ne se rend pas au Conseil.

City Councillor Mathieu Fleury's update report To be received by VCA

For more information, please contact Mathieu Fleury's office.

215 North River Rd Project – collaboration with VCA. Not city funded. Provincial program.

Safe supply: one has to get prescription at pharmacy and take meds at home. Weekly blood and urine tests to prove no illicit drug use.

Safe injection sites are for illicit drugs.

Riverain Park opened 2 weeks ago. Phase 2 will start end of October. Field house with WC and small community room. Dock for access to river. Public Art. Skate board. Tennis court lighting to be fixed, under warranty.

Vanier secondary plan.

Parks and recreation master plan. Vanier needs: outdoor rectangular fields, complexes and recreation centres, gyms, aquatics. Thank you VCA, Lauren and

Ongoing:

MDPAT (municipal developement plan Ottawa): program for problematic addresses. M. Fleury is not satisfied and will consult VCA when staff report is ready.

Budgetary consultation for Vanier and Sandy Hill on Oct. 19th, with Mathieu and Rawlson King. To register: https://bit.ly/3mrM5 67

	Nicole for the last 2 year engagement. Needs assessment refers also to aging.	
	Tabor stairs Spring 2022.	
	First layer of asphalt done this Fall on streets.	
	Montreal Rd : 1 lane open each way this Winter.	
	30 km/h See Perspective Vanier.	
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	b) Committees' Reports and Updates	0
Francophonie	Each year on September 25 th at the Carré de la Francophonie de Vanier, an organizing committee issued from the Vanier Francophonie Committee presents an activity to celebrate Franco-Ontarian Day. For 2022, this same committee is planning weeklong festivities which will end with the official reopening of the Carré on Sunday September 25 th , Franco-Ontarian Day, following Montreal Rd revitalization. The organizing Committee will endeavour to establish community partnerships to guarantee the success of these activities.	Ongoing: The organizing Committee will endeavour to establish community partnerships to guarantee the success of these activities.
Parks, Recreation and Beautification	Clean-up the Capital Vanier event on Sept. 25 th . 16 participants. A bit of overlap with Riverain Park opening, Orange T-shirt Day ceremonies, and Franco-Ontarian Day. Fall wrap-up coming up before early Spring activities. Fundraising to be discussed.	Ongoing: Nov. 11 th 2021 ceremony around 2 p.m. at Legion. Will there be a parade (Montreal Rd construction)? Madeleine Meilleur will verify. The VCA's reef has to be taken out of the storage area and a VCA representative needed (Lauren absent).

Safety	New action plan. MDPAT. Monitor Tim Horton lock system post-construction. Burger King, follow-up with M. Fleury. Tabor apts – young trespassers seeking to enter apts. Neighborhood Watch program revisited: looking for Kingsview Park captain. Pop-up events to encourage outdoor events. Hub. Monthly walkabouts and tree audits. Traffic speed – absence of signs.	Were the City services invited? PRB Committee will clean up the site, and the route 2-3 days before Ongoing: Halloween Oct. 31st volunteers needed for table at community Hub. Night safety: issue is coming back to the table: self defense classes, whistles distribution, porch lights. See Perspective Vanier.	
Communications and Outreach	Meeting Oct. 25 th at noon to review communication structure. Welcome new members. Congratulations to Rose Anne for stepping up and great work.	Ongoing :	
c) Treasurer's Report			
Monthly financial report	10 960\$ in account. 7 356\$ pending withdrawal. Deposits coming. Bravo Suzanne!	Ongoing:	
Upcoming events Nothing to report			
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Meeting ends at 8:45 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday November 9th, 2021 at 7 p.m.