

**CHARA Board Meeting  
October 26, 2021  
6:30 pm  
Zoom Meeting**

**Attendance:**

**Board Members:** Darren Dicks (President), Yvele Paquette (Vice-President), Elizabeth Anderson, Elizabeth Costello, Tim Patterson, Lorraine Neville, Kurt West, Mike Mack and Rachel Vincent  
**Members and Guests:** Riley Brockington (City Councillor), Andrew Hickey (City Councillor staff)

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Darren Dicks (President) called to order the meeting at 6:35 and declared there was quorum.
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Lorraine moved to accept the agenda, seconded by Elizabeth C and approved by consensus.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Darren moved to approve the minutes of October 5, seconded by Lorraine, and approved by consensus. Darren moved to approve edits to minutes for October 12, as amended, seconded by Yvele. **Action:** Both minutes will be posted to the website (new Secretary to receive instruction on how to do so).
4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:** No new business arising from the minutes; Councillor Brockington responds before leaving early to some questions regarding the process for the New Official Plan and next steps.
5. **ASSIGN POSITIONS AND PORTFOLIOS:**
  - E. Costello nominates Yvele for the position of President, who accepts.
  - Rachel Vincent nominates Elizabeth Costello, who declines.
  - Yvele Paquette nominates Elizabeth Anderson for VP, who accepts.
  - Elizabeth Anderson had previously nominated Elizabeth C for Treasurer and Rachel for Secretary.

For 2021 - 2022:

President	Yvele Paquette
Vice-President	Dr. Elizabeth Anderson
Secretary	Rachel Vincent
Treasurer	Elizabeth Costello

Corporate Directors	Kurt West Mike Mack Dr. Tim Patterson Lorraine Neville Darren Dicks
<b>PORTFOLIOS</b>	
Community Engagement & Safety	E. Anderson
Communications (Facebook/ Website/ Social Media)	Kurt West Rachel Vincent
Finance	Elizabeth Costello
Policy and Procedures	Lorraine Neville
Residential & Municipal Affaires	Elizabeth Costello
Rink Operations	Mike Mack Darren Dicks, Kurk West Jody Sunstrum

**6. COURTLAND PARK/NEW OFFICIAL PLAN (NOP) COMMITTEE REPORT:** Elizabeth C.  
 [Please see annex for Elizabeth’s complete report. **Action:** Rachel to post the reports on the CHARA website.]

- Applause to everyone for keeping up with pressure; the work we invested really showed at the joint committee. Lots accomplished and we made a solid presentation.
- Motion went forward to Councillor Brockington. Councillors did not support it; our motion was too broad. Pivoted quickly with a weekend meeting.

- Three new motions were developed. No project for Baseline Rapid Corridor, so remove from the plan. Water, sewer, stormwater and ditch drainage infrastructure support, start with a pilot study. Support City View motion for Baseline 150 m Evolving Overlay.
- City staff did not support first two motions. Councillors did not support the City View motion stating transit not in their areas either (not in my back yard-NIMBY rationale).
- However, a Baseline Corridor Secondary Plan motion got carried. Councillors were clear that this was important to develop Baseline for intensification. Also some greenspace and Central Experimental Farm protection motions passed.
- Although our motion did not get pass for water systems, ditches and drainage problems, a motion did pass referencing New Zoning By-law, ditch drainage and consultation.
- Do we need to write a letter or motion in the next 8 hours for City Council next day?

**Response:** Consensus is not to write a formal letter in support of City View. (**Action Amendment:** the following day Elizabeth C. is contacted by City View and Fisher Park, and then proposes to the Board a new wording for a motion. New motion approved by consensus of the Board via email.)

7. **GIFTS FOR AGM PRESENTERS:** Darren proposes \$50 gift cards to thank presenters from this year's AGM. Lorraine makes a motion that CHARA will contribute \$50 to Debra Dynes and The Boys & Girls Club (Riverside). Members agree by consensus. **Action:** Yvele to deliver thank you letters cheques and toques. **Action:** Elizabeth Anderson and one other person (signature) are to prepare cheques for Yvele. **Action:** Darren to provide toques.
8. **RINK UPDATE:** Last year the rink was constructed in January. Lack of snowfall. Mike told the group that he will keep watch on the appropriate time to build (after December 15). New COVID policy about vaccines (volunteers must be double-vaccinated, no exceptions), but we don't have to enforce a vaccine policy for the rink. The City of Ottawa will provide special signage regarding the updated rules. Last year, the City implemented contact tracing (sign-in book), required masks and no hockey permitted. Not sure what the guidelines will be for this year.
9. **NEW BUSINESS: Proposal to join the Federation of Citizens Association of Ottawa (FCA):** **Action:** Members agreed by consensus to pay membership fee and join the FCA. **Action:** Elizabeth Anderson is to contact Alex Cullen and pay the \$35 annual fee. Treasurer will reimburse her.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.**

**Next Board Meeting: November 23, 2021.**