

Wellington Village Community Association
Meeting Minutes
Oct. 11, 2011

1. Review the draft letter regarding Infill Housing Zoning Changes.

We reviewed Katie's draft letter from the Association to the city Planning Department regarding the infill housing zoning changes. Several suggestions were made and edits are reflected in the final letter.

2. Changes in parking rules next to Elmdale School

No one was consulted; it appears the signs were placed without notice to adjacent neighbours or to us as the CA.

3. Discussion of communications for the coming year: is it time to start a real newsletter?

- See Champlain Park newsletter

We discussed whether we have a desire to send out a more regular communication by email to our mailing list. We needed to clarify the size of our mailing list and who is on it first. There seemed to be little appetite to do a full newsletter, but the ability to send out alerts to the membership was felt to be desirable. The Chair requested that we get some numbers on our current mailing list, membership and then decide about outreach at the next meeting.

4. Objectives for the coming year.

We discussed hosting another forum this year, with a few possible areas of focus. One thought was to present and discuss the WW Community Design Plan, inviting a city planner to present it, and perhaps getting some perspective from the councillor (or mayor?) on how this would be enforced and applied, given Councillor Hume's comments in the paper of late (that CDPs are not just suggestions as starting points for developers, but will be enforced).

5. Letter to NCC re. Capital Vision?

The chair suggested that members may want to get familiar with the NCC's new effort to create a long-term plan for the capital, called Horizon 2067. This 50-year planning effort asks fundamental questions about the kinds of policies and programs the NCC should be pursuing. A questionnaire is available for individuals. The Association could also write a letter to express its viewpoints on the question of capital planning if it felt there was a strong position to stake out. The discussion was initiated and people were to take the questionnaire online and discuss at the next meeting.

6. Ash Trees and the Ash Borer

- Ash borer: inoculate large ash trees: An article in the Citizen noted that the City may be identifying significant ash trees to inoculate in order to save them from the ash borer. The Association could consider an effort to identify significant ash trees in its area.

7. Work with BIA on events or projects: not discussed.