



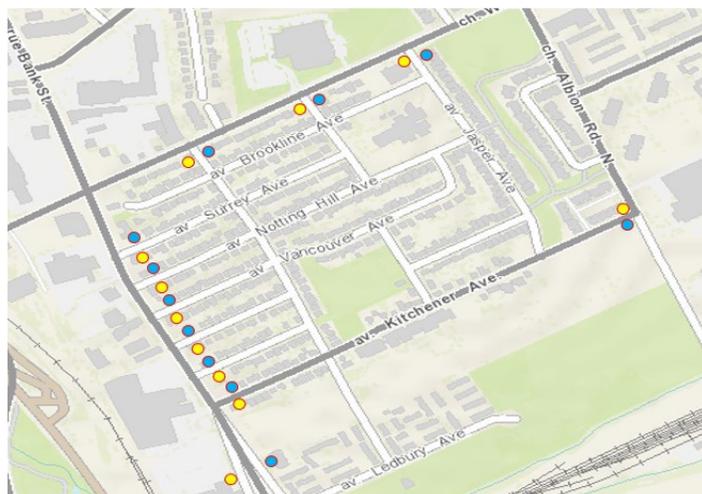
# Councillor's Report

## Ellwood Neighbourhood Association Meeting October 20, 2020

### Gateway Speed Limit Signage New to Ridgemont

As of May 1, 2018, Ontario municipalities can use new gateway speed limit signs to designate roadways within residential areas with a reduced speed limit of 40 km/h. Gateway speed limit signs are posted at each entry and exit point to a community where lower speeds are in effect. The Entry Gateway Speed Limit Sign identifies the beginning of a legal speed limit that applies to all roadways within an area. The Exit Gateway Speed Limit Sign marks the end of the lower speed limit. All streets that fall within the posted entry sign and exit sign are designated with the same speed limit identified on the gateway signs.

I recently discussed a proposal with the City's Transportation Services Department to implement Gateway Speed Limit signage in the Ridgemont Community. I discussed the proposal with the Ridgemont Community Association Board at their September Meeting and they endorsed the program for implementation. I also agreed to circulate a flyer in the community to advise residents what is coming and to help them understand the intent of the program. The community notice will also show the locations for signage which will



be at the 10 entry and exit points of the community as noted in the map (below, left). Residents can expect to see a community notice shortly, if not already received.

### Demolition Permit – Petro Canada at 1847 Bank Street

On September 28, the City of Ottawa issued a demolition permit to Petro Canada for their location at 1847 Bank Street at Walkley Road.

Petro Canada will rebuild the gas bar with a new convenience store, canopy, paved parking lot and light standards.

### Jim Durrell Recreation Centre

On May 2, Housing Services staff repurposed the Jim Durrell Arena as temporary shelter and physical distancing centre. The site supported up to 80 individuals with capacity fluctuating around 35-45 users at a time. The program has ended at the Jim Durrell Recreation Centre and the arenas will be reverted back to its use as a community facility. Ice is expected to be available again for bookings in mid-October.

### Walkley Station and Walkley Maintenance Facility

Work is expected to ramp up this Fall at the Walkley LRT Station as part of the Stage 2 LRT expansion work. The main focus for the first several months will be utility and foundation works. Work is currently planned to take place during the day at this time.

Work on the maintenance facility which is located within the rail corridor south of Ledbury Avenue is ongoing. Concrete crews completed the underground concrete structures as part of the main building's foundation. Civil works for the underground utilities are advancing, including watermain networks, storm drainage, and the installation of a twin storm attenuation tank. Structural steel erection for the main building is ongoing and exterior shell work will commence in October to the end

of the year. Signage is installed to ensure trucks obey haul routes within the residential community. I recently received an update from the Stage 2 team for the ongoing works along the Trillium Line. A PowerPoint presentation that was provided as part of my briefing is available for your review at the following link <http://rileybrockington.ca/o-train-stage-2-lrt-extension-update/>

**Committee Approves 2021 City Budget Directions**

The City’s Finance and Economic Development Committee approved the 2021 budget directions and consultation timelines at its October 6 meeting. The draft budget would include an overall increase of three per cent to the municipal tax rate. The average urban homeowner would pay an additional \$115 on their annual property tax bill.

The draft budget will be tabled at a special meeting of Council on Wednesday, November 4. The budget is scheduled to be adopted by Council on Wednesday, December 9.

**Online Consultation - 2021 City Budget**

I am co-hosting an online discussion with my fellow Councillors Deans, Cloutier and Menard on the 2021 City Budget. The online discussion will take place on **Thursday October 22 from 7:00pm - 8:30pm.**

Please join us for an informal discussion of the 2021 City of Ottawa Budget on your priorities. To register, please contact my office. You will receive the Zoom link by email, prior to the meeting.

**Short term Rental Regulations Update**

City Council was briefed on September 24 with an update on the timelines for bringing forward the framework to regulate short-term rentals in the City, further to Council’s approval of the Report on Rental Accommodations Study and Regulatory Regime in November 2019. A short-term rental by-law and a companion zoning by-law amendment with a three-year term are currently being developed through various City Departments. While an original reporting-out date of late 2020 was planned, some delays



**Thursday  
October 22, 2020  
7pm - 8:30pm**

Join your City Councillors, representing South-Central Ottawa, for an informal online discussion of the 2021 City of Ottawa Budget and your priorities moving forward.

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in the development of the by-laws have occurred due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the resulting effects on the industry and availability of the municipal accommodations tax (MAT) as the funding source for these regulations.

At this time, City staff anticipate reporting in early 2021, with the potential implementation of the new regulations in mid-2021.

The short-term rental regulations currently being developed will provide options for residents to operate short-term rentals within their principal residence, or within vacation homes in rural areas, provided they obtain a permit first and comply with certain conditions aimed at protecting public safety and reducing community nuisances. Short-term rental of investment properties will continue to be prohibited throughout the urban area of the City. The permit system will make it easier to identify illegal listings and will include measures to revoke permits for problem addresses.

### **Final Household Hazardous Waste Depot for 2020**



The final extended Household Hazardous Waste Depot for 2020 will be held at the Barrhaven Snow Disposal Facility (Strandherd Drive and Dealership Drive from **Wednesday, October 21 to Sunday, October 25** between the hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

### **Online Engagement with the City of Ottawa**

The City of Ottawa wants your input on the projects, policies, programs, and services that affect your daily life. From open houses to workshops and online engagement opportunities, your feedback helps to shape City decisions.

Current online engagement links:

- [COVID-19: Share your thoughts](#)
- [Draft Budget 2021](#)
- [Energy Evolution](#)
- [Public charging stations for electric cars](#)
- [Anti-racism and ethnocultural relations](#)

The City offers residents a variety of opportunities to engage, share information and collaborate. You can weigh in on different online engagement opportunities using the City's new innovative engagement platform, [Engage Ottawa](#). To see a full list of current engagement opportunities, visit the [public engagement event page](#).

## **COVID-19 UPDATES**

This week a new COVID 19 testing centre was opened in Orleans, to help provide additional testing locations and options for residents in the east end.

**In Ottawa, your testing centres are:**

- Brewer Arena Assessment Centre, 151 Brewer Way., 8:30-7:30pm daily
  - CHEO Assessment Centre (2months-17yrs old), 151 Brewer Way, 8:30-7:30pm daily
  - Moodie COVID Care Clinic, 595 Moodie Dr. 8-3:30pm, Monday to Friday. 6 months and older welcome.
  - Heron COVID Care Clinic, 1485 Heron Rd, 8-3:30pm, Monday to Friday. 6 months and older welcome.
  - Coventry Rd Drive-Thru Assessment Centre, 300 Coventry Rd, 11:30-6:30pm daily (14 yrs + )
  - COVID-19 Assessment and Care Clinic at the Ray Friel Rec Centre (1585 Tenth Line) in Orleans, 8-3:30pm, Mon-Fri. 6 months and older welcome.
  - Select Pharmacies across the City
- For the most current information and links to book your appointment, visit [OttawaPublicHealth.ca](http://OttawaPublicHealth.ca) or call 613-580-6744.

### **PHARMACIES TESTING ASYMPTOMATIC RESIDENTS**

Select pharmacies began providing testing for asymptomatic residents as of Friday, September 25. Here in Ottawa, 13 pharmacies were listed including the Shoppers Drug Mart store at 1180 Walkley Road (at Bank Street.) These tests will be performed by appointment only. You can make an appointment by calling the pharmacy at 613-737-3344.

## **Do you receive my monthly e-newsletter?**

Sign up to receive it directly to your inbox by sending me an email at [Riley.Brockington@Ottawa.ca](mailto:Riley.Brockington@Ottawa.ca)

My newsletter contains updates on city decisions, planning files, community initiatives and more.



## The Latest from Ottawa Public Health

The Ottawa Public Health website is a wealth of information including the following updates to the website this week:

- Ottawa Public Health has updated [COVID-19 Testing Information](#) on its website.
- Exposure site infographic: [a visual of the different exposure in Ottawa](#).
- Mapping of confirmed [COVID-19 in Ottawa](#).
- The daily [COVID-19 dashboard](#) provides up-to-date information on COVID-19 in Ottawa.

Learn more at [OttawaPublicHealth.ca](http://OttawaPublicHealth.ca).

## Flu Clinics

Ottawa Public Health (OPH) has advised that it will be holding clinics at several fixed locations across the city, which are expected to open on October 29th, 2020. To avoid crowding, clinics will be **by appointment only**. Appointment booking will be available by phone and online in the coming weeks. OPH flu clinic locations are now posted on the [OPH Influenza \(Flu\) webpage](#) with the following fixed clinic locations.

Clinic locations:

- Notre-Dame-Des-Champs, 3659 Navan Road, Orléans
- Ottawa Public Library-Orléans Branch, 1705 Orléans Blvd., Orléans
- Lansdowne – Horticulture Building, 1525 Princess Patricia, Downtown

# River Ward's OLDER ADULT SUMMIT *Virtual edition*

# SOMMET DES PERSONNES ÂGÉES *Édition virtuelle* du quartier Rivière

Thursday, October 29  
10am - 11:30am  
*Online with ZOOM*

Le jeudi 29 octobre  
de 10 h à 11 h 30  
*Réunion ZOOM en ligne*

Join City Councillor Riley Brockington & special guests, including **Ottawa Public Health** and the **Council on Aging in Ottawa** for the annual River Ward Older Adult Summit

Joignez-vous au conseiller municipal Riley Brockington et à ses invités spéciaux (dont des représentants de **Santé publique Ottawa** et du **Conseil sur le vieillissement d'Ottawa**), dans le cadre de l'édition annuelle du Sommet des personnes âgées du quartier Rivière.

### **This year's topics include:**

- Health and Safety for Older Adults in a Time of COVID; and
- How to Stay Active in your Home during the Winter Months

### **Cette année, les sujets seront :**

- La santé et la sécurité des personnes âgées pendant la pandémie de COVID-19
- Comment rester actif cet hiver, à la maison?

Register to attend by emailing [Andrea.Ward@Ottawa.ca](mailto:Andrea.Ward@Ottawa.ca).

You will receive the link to the meeting following your registration.

Veillez vous inscrire à ce sommet en envoyant un courriel à [Andrea.Ward@Ottawa.ca](mailto:Andrea.Ward@Ottawa.ca).

Une fois inscrit(e), vous recevrez le lien qui vous permettra de participer à la réunion.

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- Mary Pitt Centre, 100 Constellation Dr., Nepean
- Chapman Mills Community Building, 424 Chapman Mills Drive, Barrhaven
- Eva James Memorial Centre, 65 Stonehaven Drive, Kanata

You can also contact your local pharmacy or family physician to book your appointment for a flu shot.

## Mental Health Support

The COVID-19 pandemic is a very difficult time for many of us. It is normal to feel stressed and worried. Please know that there is help available in our community. If you or someone you know is having a hard time coping, please reach out for help. Visit [Counsellingconnect.org](https://counsellingconnect.org) to talk to a counsellor by phone or video. This is a free service for all ages

and you can get help for many different problems. You can get an appointment the same day or the next day. Services are also offered specifically for First Nations, Inuit, and Metis people.

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[Walkincounselling.com](https://walkincounselling.com).

They have services in English, French, Arabic, Spanish, Somali, Cantonese and Mandarin at different locations.

Ottawa Public Health published a handout of Mental Health Resources recently (illustrated here.)

You can find printable copies on my website at <http://rileybrockington.ca/mental-health-supports-you-are-not-alone/>



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If you need to talk to someone right now, these services are here for you 24 hours a day, every day of the week.

- Distress Centre of Ottawa and Region at 613-238-3311 in English
- Tel-Aide Outaouais at 613-741-6433 in French
- Crisis Line at 613-722-6914, if you are 16 or older (Bilingual)
- Youth Service Bureau crisis line at 613-260-2360 or chat at [chat.ysb.ca](https://chat.ysb.ca), if you are 12 to 18 years old or parent (Bilingual)
- Kids Help Phone at 1-800-668-6868 or text 686868 if you are under 20 years old (Bilingual)

For more resources and supports please visit [OttawaPublicHealth.ca/COVIDMentalHealth](https://OttawaPublicHealth.ca/COVIDMentalHealth)

### Financial Support

If you or someone you know is struggling financially due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there is information and support available from the Federal, Provincial, and Local governments. For more information visit [ottawa.ca/support-and-assistance](https://ottawa.ca/support-and-assistance) or call 311.



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