Greenspace Alliance Municipal Election Survey

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Q1 1. How important is green space for residents of your Extremely ward? Extremely

Q2 1a. What do you believe is the greatest threat to greenspace in your ward?

Housing developments	
Q3 2a. Are you aware of the City of Ottawa's Urban Forest Management Plan?	Moderately Aware
Q4 2b. Funding of the UMFP has only been approved by council for the first year. If elected, will you support the funding of years two, three, and four of the Urban Forest Management?	Yes
Q5 2c. How important is the Urban Forest Management Plan to you as an elected official?	Extremely important
Q6 3a. Are you aware of the City of Ottawa's Site Alteration By-law?	Somewhat aware
Q7 3b. The by-law will come back to council in two years to assess how well it has been working .The current method of enforcement is a complaint based system. The City of Ottawa is the only municipality in Ontario with a Site Alteration by-law that does not include a permit based system. As an elected official, would you consider moving from a complaint based system (after the fact) to a permit based system (in advance)?	Yes
Q8 How important is having a Site Alteration By-law to you as an elected official?	Very important
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Q9 4a. Are you aware of the City of Ottawa's Significant Woodland Policy?	Somewhat aware
Q10 4b. This policy (OPA 179) is under appeal and may return to council for consideration in 2019. As an elected official will you support the approval of the current Significant Woodland Policy?	Yes
Q11 4c. How important is having a Significant Woodland Policy to you as an elected official?	Very important
Q12 5a. Are you aware of these Tree Conservation Bylaws?	Somewhat aware
Q13 i. Extend the protection to trees of 20 cm in diameter, down from 30 cm?	Yes
Q14ii. Expand the definition of Distinctive Trees?	Yes
Q15 iii. Significantly increase the penalties for breaching the bylaw?	Yes
Q16 5c. How important are the two Urban Tree Conservation By-laws to you as an elected official?	Very important
Q176a. Are you aware of the Greenspace Master Plan?	Somewhat aware
Q18 6b. The Official Plan will be reviewed during the next term of Council, including the Greenspace Master Plan, which has not been updated since 2003. As an elected official, would you support these greenspace objectives set out in the Greenspace Master Plan and Official Plan?	
Q19 6c. How important is the Greenspace Master Plan to you as an elected official?	Extremely important
Q20 6d. Every review of the official plan addresses expanding the urban boundary, which results in the loss of rural green space. As an elected official, what is your opinion of urban expansion? Are you more likely to support intensifying within the urban boundary or expanding into rural Ottawa? Please explain.	

Not likely. We need to be very careful when considering the expansion of the urban boundary. We need to decide now on a balance to achieve and to ensure that balance is respected.

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Q217a. Are you aware of the Chalk River nuclear waste disposal plan?

Yes

Q227b. In April 2018, mayors in the Montreal Metropolitan Community (CMM) unanimously opposed the proposal to build the permanent nuclear waste disposal site in Chalk River, Ontario. As an elected official, would you support a Council declaration opposing to the Chalk River nuclear waste disposal plan?

Q238. Do you have any other thoughts or comments about greenspace in Ottawa?

We need to do more. We need to elect Councillors that will stand-up for the environment and not be more concerned with their reelection in 4 years. The green space will always outlast the four year mandates. When the green spaces are gone, they usually are gone forever...