

Greenspace Alliance Municipal Election Survey

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Ward 1

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

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

Development is the greatest threat to original greenspace. I would like to see greenspace replacement to be included for every construction project.

Q3 2a. Are you aware of the City of Ottawa's Urban Forest Management Plan? **Not at all 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 Plan? **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? **Not at all 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

Q9 4a. Are you aware of the City of Ottawa's Significant Woodland Policy?

Not at all aware

Q104b. 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

Q114c. How important is having a Significant Woodland Policy to you as an elected official?

Very important

Q125a. Are you aware of these Tree Conservation Bylaws?

Not at all aware

Q13i. Extend the protection to trees of 20 cm in diameter, down from 30 cm?

Yes

Q14ii. Expand the definition of Distinctive Trees?

Yes

Q15iii. Significantly increase the penalties for breaching the bylaw?

Yes

Q165c. 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?

Not at all aware

Q186b. 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?

Yes

Q196c. How important is the Greenspace Master Plan to you as an elected official?

Extremely important

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Q206d. 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.

I am in favor of intensification within urban boundaries, particularly in areas near future LRT. Orléans is a growing area. Any additional expansion into rural Ottawa needs to be carefully reviewed.

Somewhat aware

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

No

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?

An ever-growing population demands that all levels of government need to put measures into place to protect our greenspace for future generations. Many of the Cities master plans work toward this goal. I am looking forward to learning more about each of these important documents and applying such measures to protect our most natural resource.