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>> GOOD MORNING.

WELCOME TO THE OTTAWA MEETING FOR THE 26TH OF APRIL.

[SPEAKING IN FRENCH]

FOR THOSE THAT ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND FOR A MOMENT OF PERSONAL REFLECTION AND OUR SPECIAL GUEST WILL SING "O CANADA."

[MOMENT OF REFLECTION]

IF YOU COULD REMAIN STANDING AND WE'LL INTRODUCE OUR GUEST SINGER THAT WILL SING "O CANADA."

[SPEAKING IN FRENCH]

>> VOICE OF TRANSLATOR: THANK YOU.

IT'S A PLEASURE FOR ME TO WELCOME CHANTAL HACKETT WHO HAS INCREDIBLE TALENT.

I WAS ABLE TO HEAR HER RECENTLY AT HER SCHOOL.

IT WAS FABULOUS.

THE UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA GRADUATE --

[END OF TRANSLATION]

>> CHANTAL HAS BEEN A GUEST SINGER AT THE CANADIAN TIRE CENTRE.

WE'RE WEARING OUR PROUD SENS JERSEY FOR THE FIRST GAME TOMORROW.

SHE NOW OWNS SING HOUSE STUDIOS.

CHECK OUT HER YOUTUBE CHANNEL WHERE YOU CAN FIND HER LATEST SINGLES "COLOURS" AND "WHERE WERE YOU?"

I'VE ALSO INVITED HER BECAUSE SHE'S PART OF OTTAWA'S COMMUNITY MUSIC VENUE A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.

THEY ARE WORKING TOWARDS THE CREATION OF A UNIQUE SPACE WHERE THE FULL SPECTRUM OF ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH MUSIC CREATION PERFORMANCE AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CAN TAKE PLACE SEVEN DAYS A WEEK.

FOR ALL THE INFORMATION, VISIT --

THEY'VE PROVIDED PAYING GIGS FOR OVER 100 LOCAL ARTISTS.

I INVITE CHANTAL TO SING "O CANADA."

>> THANK YOU.

O CANADA

OUR HOME AND NATIVE LAND

TRUE PATRIOT LOVE

IN ALL OUR SONS COMMAND

CAR TON BRAS SAIT PORTER

L'ÉPÉE

IL SAIT PORTER LA CROIX

TON HISTOIRE EST UNE ÉPOPÉE

DES PLUS BRILLANTS EXPLOITS

GOD KEEP OUR LAND

GLORIOUS AND FREE

O CANADA

WE STAND ON GUARD FOR THEE

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[APPLAUSE]

>> WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH VERY, VERY MUCH FOR THAT BEAUTIFUL RENDITION OF "O CANADA."

>> VOICE OF TRANSLATOR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION.

QAMAR MASOOD TO JOIN US HERE, ALONG WITH COUNCILLOR BOB MONETTE.

WELCOME.

COME ON OVER HERE.

NICE TO SEE YOU.

I'M PLEASED, ALSO, TO WELCOME THE FAMILY MEMBERS OF MR. MASOOD WHO WILL JOIN US THIS MORNING.

THE MAYOR'S CITY BUILDER AWARD RECOGNIZES THE EXTRAORDINARY CONTRIBUTION AND COMMITMENT TO MAKE OUR CITY A BETTER PLACE THROUGH VOLUNTEERISM OR SPECTACULAR ACTION.

I'M HONOURED TO PRESENT THIS AWARD TO MR. MASOOD WHO HAS BEEN A COMMITTED VOLUNTEER IN THE PAKISTANI-CANADIAN COMMUNITY FOR MORE THAN TWO DECADES.

HE IS THE RECIPIENT OF THIS AWARD.

HE IS PRESENT AT THE MULTI-CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF ORLÉANS, A FORMER AMBASSADOR OF PEACE WITHIN THE UNIVERSAL PEACE FEDERATION, AND THE LONGEST-SERVING PRESIDENT OF THE CANADA-PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION.

HE CONTINUES TO BE A VERY COMMITTED VOLUNTEER IN HIS COMMUNITY.

IN ADDITION TO HIS MANY OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS, HE IS RECOGNIZED FOR HIS FUNDRAISING EFFORTS FOR THE MOSQUE AND FOR DONATING CATERING SERVICES TO A VERY SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING ROAST OF OUR FRIEND DEPUTY MAYOR MONETTE THAT RAISED MONEY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE CHURCH, OF COURSE, ONE OF THE GREAT LANDMARKS IN THE EAST END.

I'D LIKE TO THANK HIM FOR HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS.

[SPEAKING IN FRENCH]

>> VOICE OF TRANSLATOR: I'D LIKE TO THANK MR. MASOOD FOR HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS.

>> MEMBERS OF COUNCIL WILL PRESENT YOU WITH THE CITY BUILDER AWARD AND TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TREMENDOUS CONTRIBUTIONS FOR OVER 20 YEARS.

CONGRATULATIONS.

[APPLAUSE]

COME ON UP HERE.

>> THANK YOU, HONOURABLE MAYOR, AND THANK YOU DEPUTY MAYOR BOB MONETTE.

I KNOW VOLUNTEERISM IS GIVEN TO EVERYBODY FROM GOD.

AND WHAT IT TAKES IS JUST A LITTLE BIT OF THINKING, WHETHER WE HAVE TO GIVE OUT.

WHY?

BECAUSE IN THIS BEAUTIFUL WORLD, PEACE IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING.

IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE PEACE, WE HAVE TO GIVE SOMETHING WHICH IS VERY PRECIOUS, AND THAT IS YOUR TIME.

MONEY CANNOT BUY VOLUNTEERISM AND RECOGNITION IS SOMETHING WHICH YOU GET IT FOR NO REASON.

I WAS NOT EXPECTING IT.

I WILL KEEP ON DOING THE JOB THAT I WAS DOING.

ACTUALLY, I'M VERY HUMBLED TO RECEIVE THIS AWARD, AND THIS RECOGNITION WILL GIVE ME KIND OF A BOOST, YOU KNOW, IN MY ARM THAT I HAVE MORE STRENGTH TO KEEP ON DOING WHAT YOU ARE DOING.

THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A BEAUTIFUL CITY.

OUR MAYOR LET GO THE BIG JOB AT PROVINCIAL LEVEL AND KEEP COMING BACK TO THE CITY.

WHY?

BECAUSE HE LOVES TO GIVE OUT.

HE LOVES TO GIVE HIS MOST PRECIOUS, WHICH IS HIS TIME, IN ORDER TO BRING PEACE ON EARTH, AND I THINK WE ALL ARE HERE FOR THAT.

I WANT TO CELEBRATE THAT WITH THIS AWARD, AND I'LL KEEP ON TELLING MY CHILDREN AND OTHERS TO KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK AND ONLY ONE THING CAN UNITE US, WHICH IS LOVE.

THANK YOU.

[APPLAUSE]

>> WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MASOOD.

OF COURSE, THIS IS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK, SO VERY WORTHY RECIPIENT THAT WE HONOURED DURING THIS SPECIAL WEEK.

ROLL CALL, PLEASE, MADAM DEPUTY CLERK.

[ROLL CALL]

YOU HAVE A QUORUM, MR. MAYOR.

[SPEAKING IN FRENCH]

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS, INCLUDING THOSE ORIGINALLY ARISING FROM PRIOR MEETINGS.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS AS PRESENTED.

REGRETS.

COUNCILLOR EL-CHANTIRY AND COUNCILLOR TAYLOR ADVISE THEY'LL BE ABSENT FOR THE NEXT MEETING DUE TO CITY BUSINESS.

MOTION TO INTRODUCE REPORTS?

COUNCILLOR MONETTE, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR QADRI, PLEASE.

>> LET THE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT FROM THE CITY CLERK SOLICITORS OFFICE ENTITLED SUMMARY OF ORAL SUBMISSIONS FOR ITEMS SUBJECT TO BILL 73, EXPLANATION, REQUIREMENTS AT THE CITY COUNCIL

MEETING OF APRIL 12TH, 2017 BE RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED AND THAT THE PETITION WITH RESPECT TO THE COURT LISTED UNDER COMMUNICATION BE RECEIVED.

>> CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORT -- PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT NUMBER 42.

[SPEAKING IN FRENCH]

>> ITEM ONE, APPLICATION TO DEMOLISH 234 O'CONNOR STREET.

>> CARRIED.

>> DISSENT BY LEIPER.

MCKENNEY, NUSSBAUM AND FLEURY.

NEXT ITEM, ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT 890 AND 900 BANK STREET.

WE HAVE A MOTION.

SO WE'LL COME BACK TO THAT.

I WANT TO SPEAK ON THAT.

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT 590 HAZELDEAN ROAD.

[SPEAKING IN FRENCH]

CARRIED.

ITEM NUMBER FOUR, HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, GREATER OTTAWA DEREFERRAL OF DEVELOPMENT CHARGES, HOME OWNERSHIP, DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE.

[SPEAKING IN FRENCH]

CARRIED.

ITEM NUMBER FIVE.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING LAND AND FUNDING POLICY.

[SPEAKING IN FRENCH]

- >> I HAVE A QUESTION.
- >> QUESTION?

IS IT A BRIEF QUESTION?

>> YES.

>> OKAY.

WHY DON'T YOU DO IT NOW.

>> I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY -- SO THE \$8.7 MILLION IN REVENUE THAT WE HAD, THE INFORMATION I RECEIVED IS THAT THAT GOES IN TERMS OF BUILDING PERMITS, SOME OF THE CHARGES AND FEES RELATING TO PLANNING.

I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S LEFT IN THE ACCOUNT, AND ARE WE ABLE TO USE IT FOR FUTURE UNITS, FOR ANY NEW BUILDS?

>> SO I'M GOING TO ASK THE PROGRAMME MANAGER FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION.

>> MR. MAYOR, THE 8.7 WAS ACCRUED OVER A VERY LONG PERIOD OF TIME.

SO IT'S NOT FUNDING THAT WAS JUST RECEIVED LAST YEAR.

WE MIGHT HAVE APPROXIMATELY -- I'M JUST GUESSING HERE -- \$2 MILLION OF THOSE FUNDS IN AN ACCOUNT.

THAT'S ALLOCATED TOWARDS PAYING BUILDING PERMIT FEES, DEVELOPMENT CHARGES AND OTHER THINGS.

SO IT COULDN'T REALLY BE USED TO SUPPORT A NEW PROJECT, BUT RATHER TO SUPPORT EXISTING PROJECTS THAT WE'RE FUNDING THROUGH THE PROGRAMME STREAMS.

>> OKAY.

THANK YOU.

DO YOU MIND FOLLOWING UP ON THE AMOUNT THAT'S LEFT IN THE ACCOUNT?

- >> YES, WE CAN DO THAT.
- >> THANK YOU.
- >> GREAT.

THANK YOU.

CARRIED.

DOES ANYONE WISH TO REMOVE ANYTHING FROM THE BULK CONSENT AGENDA?

NO.

THE BULK CONSENT AGENDA IS PRESENTED.

CARRIED.

WE'RE BACK AND NOW TO ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT 890 AND 900 BANK STREET.

[SPEAKING IN FRENCH]

WE HAVE A MOTION BY COUNCILLOR HARDER AND NUSSBAUM.

COUNCILLOR HARDER, IF YOU'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE MOTION AND THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK OR ASK QUESTIONS COULD LET ME KNOW.

>> SURE, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR.

AND, ACTUALLY, IT WAS COUNCILLOR NUSSBAUM'S DIRECTION TO STAFF.

SO I'M GOING TO DEFER TO HIM TO SPEAK TO THIS.

- >> COUNCILLOR NUSSBAUM.
- >> THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

THANK YOU, CHAIR.

YES, SO, THERE WAS QUITE A LONG AND CONSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSION ABOUT THIS ITEM AT PLANNING COMMITTEE.

ALTHOUGH THE STEP-BACKS ON BANK STREET WERE REFLECTIVE OF THE TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET ZONING AND SENSITIVE TO THE PEDESTRIAN

EXPERIENCE ON THAT STREET, THERE WAS AN ISSUE WITH THE STEP-BACKS ON THE RESIDENTIAL ZONE, AND SO THE STAFF DIRECTION WAS TO WORK WITH THE APPLICANT TO SEE IF SOME ADDITIONAL STEP-BACKS COULD BE ACHIEVED ON THE MONK STREET SIDE OF THIS BUILDING.

AND THE MOTION BEFORE US REFLECTS THE FACT THAT THE APPLICANT DID COME BACK AND WORK WITH STAFF TO ACHIEVE A 2.5-METRE STEP-BACK ON THE SEVENTH AND EIGHT FLOOR SO RESIDENTS WERE NOT FACING AN EIGHT-STOREY WALL BUT SOME STEP-BACK RELIEF.

I THINK THIS WAS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF FINDING AN IMPROVEMENT TO AN APPLICATION THAT WAS ALMOST THERE IN TERMS OF STEP-BACKS BUT HAD A LITTLE ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

COUNCILLOR LEIPER, PLEASE?

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

>> JUST A QUICK COMMENT, MR. MAYOR.

I VOTED AGAINST THIS ITEM AT COMMITTEE, BASED ON THE LACK OF APPROPRIATE STEP-BACKS TO THE MONK STREET SIDE.

I AM THANKFUL TO THE DEVELOPER FOR TAKING THAT DIRECTION VERY SERIOUSLY.

I AM GOING TO CHANGE MY VOTE TODAY AND SUPPORT THIS ITEM.

IT IS GOOD WHEN WE CAN HAVE THESE KINDS OF CONSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE BUILDERS, WHERE THEY TAKE THE COMMUNITY FEEDBACK SERIOUSLY AND MAKE AN EFFORT TO ENSURE THEY HAVE SOMETHING THAT CAN PASS.

I WILL BE SUPPORTING THIS TODAY OPPOSED TO MY VOTE AT PLANNING COMMITTEE.

>> COUNCILLOR FLEURY.

>> I WANTED TO FOLLOW UP WITH STAFF ON THE DISCUSSION RELATING TO IMPACTS ON THE POLICIES FOR TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET RELATING TO THIS APPLICATION.

I SPOKE TO THE PLANNER.

I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE FOR PUBLIC RECORD THAT MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT IT DOESN'T IMPACT THE OTHER PLANS THAT ARE ON MAIN STREETS, BUT THAT THERE IS PROVISION WHERE THERE IS HEIGHT TO ESTABLISH SOME TRANSITION, AND THAT'S THE ELEMENT BY WHICH THIS APPLICANT WAS REVIEWED.

I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY THAT OUR OTHER PLANS ON OUR MAIN STREETS AREN'T DIRECTLY IMPACTED, RATHER THAT IT'S THE EXISTING HEIGHT IN THE ZONE.

>> MR. MAYOR, JUST IN RESPONSE TO THE COUNCILLOR'S QUESTION.

FIRST OF ALL, THE ACTUAL DESIGN OF THIS BUILDING ACTUALLY ACHIEVES A REALLY GOOD EXAMPLE OF A TRANSITION.

WE STARTED WITH EIGHT STOREYS, WHICH IS TUCKED INTO THE INTERIOR OF THE BUILDING, SO IT ISN'T PERCEIVED ON THE MAIN STREET THAT IT IS EIGHT STORIES. IT HAS A SIX-STOREY FEEL.

THE LOWEST PORTION OF THE BUILDING, THE MOST NORTHERLY PORTION, IS FOUR STOREYS.

MR. SMITH IS HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE POLICY CONTEXT IF YOU'D LIKE TO UNDERSTAND MORE.

I'LL ASK HIM TO TALK TO HOW THIS FITS INTO OUR POLICY CONTEXT.

IT'S CONSISTENT NOW WITH WHAT WE'VE ARRIVED AT, PARTICULARLY WITH THIS NEW DESIGN SOLUTION, AND I'LL ASK MR. SMITH TO ELABORATE.

>> THANK YOU.

MR. MAYOR, THE POLICY FRAMEWORK IS REALLY PRIMARILY SET OUT THROUGH THE OFFICIAL PLAN.

RIGHT NOW WE'RE STILL UNDER THE POLICY REGIME OF OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT 76.

IT'S BEEN MODIFIED THROUGH OPA-150.

NOTWITHSTANDING BOTH THE ENFORCE POLICY DIRECTION AND THE POLICY DIRECTION CLEARLY PROVIDED FOR LOOKING AT INCREASING HEIGHTS THAT IT REALLY NEEDS TO BE VERY CONTEXT SENSITIVE AND MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE APPROPRIATE PROVISION FOR STEP-BACKS AND MAINTAINING THE HUMAN SKILL CHARACTER.

WHERE WE DO HAVE SECONDARY PLANS AND CDPS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED FOR CERTAIN OF THE TRADITIONAL MAIN STREETS WITH FURTHER DIRECTION PROVIDED IN TERMS OF SPECIFICITY AROUND HOW THE COMPATIBILITY OBJECTIVES ARE RECEIVED.

THIS APPLICATION DOESN'T CHANGE THE APPROACH AND FOCUS, WHICH IS REALLY DRIVEN BY THE PRIMARY POLICY DOCUMENTS.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

COMMENTS?

QUESTIONS?

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

FIRST, I JUST WANT TO GET A CLARIFICATION QUESTION TO STAFF.

THIS CAME UP VERY -- AT THE VERY END OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING, WAS ALMOST MISSED BUT VERY IMPORTANT.

MY UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT STAFF'S POSITION TO SUPPORT THIS PROJECT IN THE REPORT FUNDAMENTALLY IS BASED ON THE OLD OFFICIAL PLAN, AND THAT IF THE NEW OFFICIAL PLAN WAS IN EFFECT, OPPOSED TO STILL UNDER APPEAL, THEN YOU WOULD NOT HAVE SUPPORTED THIS PROJECT.

>> MR. MAYOR, THAT IS CORRECT.

IT WOULD HAVE NEEDED AN OPA IF OPA-150 WAS IN PLACE AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

>> THANK YOU.

I FELT THAT REALLY IMPORTANT TO GET THAT ON THE RECORD.

I FIND IT REALLY UNFORTUNATE THAT WHAT OUR NEW OFFICIAL PLAN WAS MEANT TO PROVIDE, WHICH IS GREATER CERTAINTY FOR THE COMMUNITY AND FOR DEVELOPERS, KNOWING WHAT IS ALLOWED AND WHAT IS NOT AND WHAT IS CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE AND WHAT ISN'T, BY FACT OF THIS STILL BEING UNDER APPEAL AT THE MOMENT WITH, FUNDAMENTALLY WE'VE GONE BACK TO AN OLD OFFICIAL PLAN.

WE ARE DEFENDING THE TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET CHARACTER AND DESIGNATION HERE.

ESSENTIALLY MY COMMENTS TODAY ARE GOING TO BE AN ABOUT THE DEFENCE OF THE TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET.

I THINK THERE'S A REASON WHY WE HAVE THEM.

THERE'S A RECOGNITION THAT A TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET IS SOMETHING QUITE DIFFERENT FROM RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBOURHOODS.

IT'S DIFFERENT FROM A WIDER BOULEVARD.

IT'S DIFFERENT FROM A SUBURBAN SHOPPING STREET.

IT HAS A CERTAIN CHARACTER TO IT, AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT ACTUALLY DRAWS PEOPLE.

WHEN PEOPLE CHOOSE TO GO TO A TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE CITY, NOT LEAST OF WHICH IN THE GLEBE, THEY'RE MAKING A DECISION TO GO SOMEWHERE THAT IS DIFFERENT, THAT IS DISTINCT.

THERE'S A FEEL TO IT, A CHARACTER TO IT, AND THEY WANT TO GO THERE AND SPEND TIME THERE.

AND WHEN WE START TO UNDERMINE THAT, WE UNDO THAT AT OUR OWN PERIL.

WE USE THE CLICHE, WE MAY BE KILLING THE GOOSE THAT LAYS THE GOLDEN EGG HERE.

WHEN PEOPLE SEE A STREET THAT IS NO LONGER A TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET, EVEN IF IT CARRIES THAT NAME, AND IT'S, QUOTE, JUST LIKE SO

MANY OTHER STREETS THEY CAN FIND IN THE CITY, IS THERE A REASON TO COME?

IS THERE A REASON TO LINGER AND WE THEN END UP UNDERMINING THOSE VERY IMPORTANT PIECES OF OUR HISTORY, OF OUR ECONOMY, OF OUR CHARACTER.

I THINK THAT IS WHAT THIS BUILDING AT THIS SCALE IS DOING, NOT ITS USE.

I'VE BEEN CLEAR FROM THE BEGINNING, I SUPPORT THE USE.

AND THE SAME USE AT A MODEST, MAYBE SIX STOREYS AND FOUR, ALTHOUGH ALREADY HIGHER THAN THE FOUR-STOREY CURRENT ZONING IS SOMETHING I AND I BELIEVE MOST MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE COULD HAVE LIVED WITH.

TAKING IT UP TO EIGHT AND SIX WHERE IT SITS JUST SEEMS TOO MUCH.

SO LET ME DRAW THAT -- PAINT THAT PICTURE FOR YOU.

THE LOWER LANSDOWNE BUILDING ARE BEING USED AS EXAMPLES OF HEIGHT FROM WHICH APPARENTLY WE NEED A TRANSITION.

NO ONE HAS SAID OVER THE LAST DECADE, IT'S A SHAME THERE'S NO TRANSITION IN THE GLEBE.

FACETIOUS COMMENTS ASIDE, YOU HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT LANSDOWNE WAS REQUIRED -- THE PROJECT WAS REQUIRED IN MEDIATION SETTLEMENT WITH THE OMB TO CREATE THE OWN TRANSITION.

THE TOWNHOMES ON THE LANSDOWNE SITE TRANSITION DOWN TO TWO STOREYS BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT THE OMB RULED THEY HAD TO DO.

AND ALSO REMEMBER THAT KETTLEMAN'S BAGELS, WHICH IS NOT GOING ANYWHERE, IS ONLY ONE STOREY.

SO WE'RE NOT ACTUALLY GETTING A TRANSITION.

WE'RE GETTING THE 12 STOREYS OF LOWER LANSDOWNE TO ONE STOREY AND BACK DOWN.

TO ME, I ACTUALLY SEE THAT AS BEING WORSE THAN WHAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE.

I DON'T FIND IT A HELPFUL TRANSITION.

IN THE END, I HAVE TO POINT TO THE FACT THAT LANSDOWNE WAS NEVER MEANT TO HAVE BEEN A PRECEDENT.

IT'S NOT MEANT TO LEAD TO THE EROSION OF CHARACTER AND SURGE IN HEIGHTS OF BANK STREET.

BUT THIS PROJECT AT THIS HEIGHT IS PRECISELY THAT, AND I KNOW THE LAST THING ANYONE WOULD WANT IS PEOPLE WHO OPPOSE LANSDOWNE TO SAY THEY TOLD YOU SO.

AND, YET, AT THIS HEIGHT, THAT'S, IN A SENSE, WHAT I SEE.

I OPPOSE THIS PROJECT.

I'VE MADE THAT CLEAR TO THE PROPONENTS FROM THE OUTSET.

I THINK THAT A COMPROMISE WAS POSSIBLE.

FROM THE OUTSET, IT WAS EIGHT TO SIX.

IT REMAINS EIGHT TO SIX TODAY.

FOR THAT REASON, I CANNOT SUPPORT IT.

AND I ASK YOU NOT TO AS WELL.

>> OTHER COMMENTS?

LET ME JUST OFFER A COUPLE OF OBSERVATIONS.

I THINK COUNCILLOR CHERNUSHENKO BRINGS UP A COUPLE OF INTERESTING POINTS.

FIRST, THOUGH, ON THE POSITIVE SIDE, THE USE IS A GOOD USE, VERY MINIMAL NUMBER OF VEHICLES THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED, BECAUSE IT'S A SENIORS' FACILITY.

IT'S A NICE DESIGN.

I THINK IT WOULD COMPLEMENT NICELY.

THE CHALLENGE I HAVE WITH IT, AND IT'S SIMILAR TO WHAT COUNCILLOR CHERNUSHENKO MENTIONED.

I WENT BY THERE YESTERDAY JUST TO TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT IT.

YOU'VE GOT A SITUATION WHERE, IN ESSENCE, THE TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET IN THE GLEBE STARTS AT HOMEWOOD, HOMEWOOD SOUTH TO CANAL AND LANSDOWNE PARK AND LEAP CENTRE ON THE OTHER SIDE.

A SITUATION WHERE YOU HAVE 12 STOREYS AT THE LOWER LANSDOWNE AND THE OSAG PROPERTY, WHICH IS A NICE ADDITION TO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD.

THEN YOU GO DOWN TO ONE STORY AT KETTLEMAN'S AND TWO STOREYS ACROSS THE STREET AT PIZZA PIZZA AND THE INDIAN RESTAURANT, AND ONE STORY AT THE GLEBE MEAT MARKET, AND THIS SITE, WHICH IS EIGHT STOREYS.

AND THEN YOU GO DOWN A FEW FEET AND A PROTOCOL AT THE GARAGE AT BANK AND 5TH FOR FOUR STORIES, LIVING WITHIN GENERALLY THE RULES OF A TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET.

THE OTHER CHALLENGE IS THERE IS NOT MASS TRANSIT OPTIONS IN THIS NEIGHBOURHOOD.

AS WE KNOW, THERE ARE ROUTE NUMBER 1 AND 7 THAT GO THROUGH BANK STREET, BUT THE CONGESTION CHALLENGE IS THAT THAT PART OF THE STREET FACES PARTICULARLY WHEN THERE ARE MAJOR EVENTS AT LANSDOWNE IS WELL KNOWN.

WE HAVE SECONDARY PLANS THAT REQUIRE FOUR STOREYS ON STITTSVILLE MAIN STREET, ELGIN STREET AT FIVE STOREYS.

WE EVEN REQUIRE -- LET ME GET THIS INTO THE RECORD.

CURRENT ZONING DOESN'T PERMIT PATIOS CLOSER TO THAN 75 METRES FROM A LOT ON A RESIDENTIAL ZONE WITHOUT SCREENING.

YET, THIS IS GOING TO BE 50 METRES ON MONK STREET.

YOU END UP WITH A SITUATION -- OUR RULES ARE MORE STRINGENT FOR A PATIO THAN FOR AN EIGHT-STOREY BUILDING, WHICH DOESN'T SEEM TO MAKE SENSE.

YOU KNOW, IT'S ALWAYS EASY AND SOMETIMES EN VOGUE TO SORT OF TAKE A SHOT AT THE GLEBE BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T SUPPORT THIS PROJECT, BUT THEY'VE PROVEN OVER THE LAST A COUPLE OF YEARS TO BE WELCOMING TO DEVELOPMENT THAT IS COMPASSIONATE ABOUT A PARTICULAR NEIGHBOURHOOD.

I SEE HOMEWOOD AS THE GATEWAY INTO THE GLEBE'S TRADITIONAL MAIN STREET.

YOU KNOW, I OFTEN GO BY DIFFERENT STREETS IN CENTRETOWN AND WONDER, HOW DID THIS GIGANTIC HIGHRISE END UP IN THE MIDDLE OF A RESIDENTIAL STREET?

WHO VOTED FOR THAT?

I THINK, YOU KNOW, WE'RE GOING TO BE CAUGHT IN THE SAME SITUATION IF THIS IS SUPPORTED BECAUSE THERE WAS NO REAL COMPROMISE ON THE PART OF THE PROPONENT, YOU KNOW, THE COUNCILLOR FOR THE AREA, ALONG WITH THE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, MET A NUMBER OF TIMES IN GOOD FAITH BUT NEVER ANY DESIRE TO BRING IT FROM EIGHT AND SIX TO SIX AND FOUR.

AND I DON'T KNOW IF THE ECONOMICS DON'T MAKE SENSE, BUT, REALLY, THAT'S NOT OUR ROLE TO PLAY.

YOU KNOW, IF THEY BOUGHT THE LAND TOO EXPENSIVELY, WELL, THAT'S REALLY THE DEVELOPER'S PROBLEM AND NOT THE COMMUNITY'S PROBLEM.

EVEN THOUGH I APPRECIATE COUNCILLOR HARDER AND NUSSBAUM'S MOTION THAT MAKES IT BETTER, I'M NOT GOING TO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION.

SO ON THE REPORT --

- >> CARRIED.
- >> SORRY, ON THE MOTION, RATHER.

ON THE MOTION?

- >> CARRIED.
- >> ON THE REPORT?

>> CARRIED. I'LL DISSENT. AND MCKENNEY AND CHERNUSHENKO. OKAY. MOTION TO ADOPT REPORTS? COUNCILLOR MONETTE. >> THE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT. ENTITLED SUMMARY OF ORAL AND WRITTEN PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS FOR ITEMS SUBJECT TO BILL 73. EXPLANATION OF REQUIREMENTS AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 12TH, 2017 BE RECEIVED AND ADOPTED AS AMENDED. [PLEASE STAND BY] >> ALL 17 CITY-OPERATED WEIGHT AND CARDIO ROOMS ON JUNE 3RD IN RECOGNITION OF 2017 NATIONAL HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY. >> ALL RIGHT. ANYONE ELSE? ON THE MOTION? CARRIED. NEXT MOTION IS BY COUNCILOR MOFFATT, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR HARDER. WITH RESPECT TO THE WALTER BRADLEY ROAD REZONING. SUSPENSION OF THE RULES IS REQUIRED BECAUSE OF A TIMING ISSUE. ON SUSPENSION...? CARRIED. COUNCILOR MOFFATT, PLEASE.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THIS IS FOR -- WITH REGARD TO A SURPLUS FARM SEVERANCE.

YOU MIGHT REMEMBER THESE THINGS FROM SUCH THINGS AS THE FULL CONSENT AGENDA.

>> THESE ARE RARE.

>> ITEMS THAT GENERALLY FLY THROUGH, BUT DUE TO TIMING, WE DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO BRING IT TO THE RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE IN JUNE, SO THIS MOTION MERELY ASKS THAT PLANNING COMMITTEE BE THE CONSIDERING COMMITTEE FOR THIS ITEM ON MAY 9TH.

SO THEREFORE BE IT THE RESOLVED THAT THE PLANNING COMMITTEE BE DELEGATED THE AUTHORITY TO HOLD THE REZONING.

THIS IS SPOKEN -- IT HAPPENS TO BE IN WEST CARLTON AND THE COUNCILOR IS SUPPORTIVE OF THIS AS WELL, AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR HARDER.

>> OKAY.

ANYONE ELSE ON THE MOTION?

ON THE MOTION ...?

CARRIED.

ANY OTHER MOTIONS REQUIRING SUSPENSION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE?

NOTICES OF MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION AT SUBSEQUENT MEETING.

(SPEAKING FRENCH)

OTTAWA RACE WEEKEND.

(SPEAKING FRENCH)

(VOICE OF TRANSLATOR): YES, THIS MORNING, WE TALKED ABOUT THE TWO-KILOMETRE RACE.

WE WANT TO SUPPORT THE MARATHON THAT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE END OF MAY, FROM MAY 26TH TO 28TH.

(END OF TRANSLATION)

FIRST OTTAWA MARATHON IN 1975, THE TAMARACK OTTAWA RACE WEEKEND.

RACE WEEKEND HAS GROWN TO BECOME ONE OF THE PREMIERE MARATHONS IN CANADA AND OTTAWA'S LARGEST TOURISM EVENT.

WHEREAS IN THE UPCOMING 2017, RACE WEEKEND EXPECTED TO DRAW OVER 45,000 PARTICIPANTS AND SIX ATHLETIC EVENTS, INCLUDING THE SCOTIABANK OTTAWA MARATHON, WHICH IS THE LARGEST MARATHON IN CANADA.

AND WHEREAS THE CITY OF OTTAWA IS AN ACTIVE PARTNER THIS THE TAMARACK RACE WEEKEND, IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE 2017 RACE WEEKEND WILL GENERATE MORE THAN \$34.4 MILLION IN ECONOMIC SPINOFF FOR OUR REGION.

THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED THAT CITY COUNCIL DECLARE MAY 26TH TO MAY 28TH TO BE RACE WEEKEND IN THE CITY OF OTTAWA.

>> ON THE MOTION?

OH, SORRY, THAT WAS THE MOTION.

OKAY.

COUNCILORS MCKENNEY AND LEIPER.

NOTICE OF ITALIAN WEEKEND ROAD CLOSURE.

COUNCILOR MCKENNEY, INTRODUCE, PLEASE.

>> WHEREAS THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA WILL HOST THE ANNUAL OTTAWA ITALIAN WEEK FROM JUNE 8TH TO 18TH, AND WHEREAS MANY OF THE OTTAWA ITALIAN WEEK FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES OF JUNE 16TH 2017 WILL BE HAPPENING OUTDOORS ON PRESTON ROAD AND WHEREAS THE BIA HAS REQUESTED THE CLOSURE OF PRESTON ROAD BETWEEN LAUREL STREET AND CARLING AVENUE FROM 4 P.M. FRIDAY JUNE 16TH TO 1 A.M., SATURDAY JUNE 17TH, 2017 TO INCREASE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF THE AREA.

AND WHEREAS THE CITY OF OTTAWA SPECIAL EVENTS ON CITY ROADS
BYLAW PROHIBITS ROAD CLOSURES BEFORE 6 P.M. MONDAY TO FRIDAY,
THEREBY BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE ROAD CLOSURE
FROM 4 P.M. ON FRIDAY, JUNE 16TH TO 1 A.M. ON SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH, 2017

FOR THE OTTAWA ITALIAN WEEK FESTIVAL, PROVIDING IT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS, CONDITIONS AND APPROVAL OF SPECIAL EVENTS ADVISORY TEAM.

THANK YOU.

>> OKAY.

THANK YOU.

ANY OTHER NOTICES OF MOTION?

NO.

MOTION TO INTRODUCE BYLAWS.

COUNCILOR MONETTE.

(SPEAKING FRENCH)

SECONDED BY COUNCILOR QADRI.

>> (VOICE OF TRANSLATOR): UNDER MOTION TO INTRODUCE BYLAWS THREE READINGS BE READ AND PASSED.

>> CONFIRMATION BYLAW?

COUNCILOR MONETTE, PLEASE.

>> THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, THAT THE FOLLOWING BYLAW BE READ AND PASSED.

AND CONFIRMED TO PROCEEDING OF COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 26TH, 2017.

>> ON THE MOTION?

CARRIED?

WRITTEN INQUIRIES.

I ALONG WITH COUNCILOR MCKENNEY HAVE A JOINT INQUIRY.

CAN THE CITY CLERK AND SOLICITOR PROVIDE COUNCIL WITH LEGALLY-ENFORCEABLE OPTIONS TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE PROVIDING OR SEEKING COUNSELING OR MEDICAL PROCEDURES AT ANY CLINIC OR MEDICAL PROVIDER IN OTTAWA WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE OR ACCESS THOSE SERVICES FREE FROM HARASSMENT, THREATS OR INTIMIDATION AND IN A MANNER THAT RESPECTS THEIR DIGNITY AND PRIVACIES.

THE OPTIONS SHOULD INCLUDE NEW OR AMENDED PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION, SUCH AS THE CREATION OF BUBBLE ZONES THAT HAVE BEEN DONE IN OTHER PROVINCES AND/OR NEW CHANGES TO THE CITY'S OWN BYLAWS.

(SPEAKING FRENCH)

(VOICE OF TRANSLATOR): AND THE MAYOR IS READING IT AGAIN IN FRENCH.

(SPEAKING FRENCH)

(END OF TRANSLATION)

ARE THERE ANY OTHER INQUIRIES?

WRITTEN INQUIRIES?

SORRY?

NO, IT'S NOT A NOTICE OF MOTION.

IT'S AN INQUIRY.

THANK YOU.

YEAH, IT SHOULDN'T SAY A MOTION.

OKAY.

ADJOURN.

COUNCILOR MONETTE, PLEASE.

(SPEAKING FRENCH)

(VOICE OF TRANSLATOR): THANK YOU.

THAT THE PROCEEDING OF THE COWAN MEETING OF APRIL 26TH, 2017, BE ADJOURNED.

(SPEAKING FRENCH).

>> MEETING ADJOURNED.

AND GOOD LUCK TO OUR OTTAWA SENATORS.

WE HAVE ONE RANGERS FAN IN THE CROWD WHO WORKS FOR COUNCILOR CHIARELLI WHO WILL BE REFERRED TO AS "THE LONE RANGER."