Looking Back and Challenges Forward

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MPCA 2018 - 2019

This presentation will cover:

- Who are we Manor Park?
- What has the MPCA accomplished since fall 2017?
  - Community Collective
  - Transportation and Safety Committee
  - Community Outreach Committee
  - Development Review Committee
  - Environment Committee
- Activities and challenges for 2019/20
Who are We?

2016 Statistics Canada Census information

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<th>Data Categories</th>
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<td>Population</td>
<td>3,375</td>
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<td>French as first language</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td>Seniors</td>
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<td>Solo dwellers</td>
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<td>Single parent families</td>
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<td>Immigrant population</td>
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<td>Unemployment (Ottawa 7.2%)</td>
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<td>Low Income Cut-Off (poverty)</td>
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<td>Children in low income families aged 0-17</td>
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We are not alone: At 31% Ottawa Vanier is the 18th worst riding in Canada for child poverty.

In Manor Park South 37% of children under 4 live in low income housing.
Community Collective Established

Elizabeth McAllister

- Presidents of 7 Community Residents Associations
  - Cardinal Glen
  - Lindenlea
  - New Edinburgh
  - Manor Park
  - Overbrook
  - Rockcliffe
  - Vanier

- Purpose is to work collaboratively in areas of common interest
- Three major Projects launched each with representation from most communities:
  - Beechwood Village Alliance exploring impact investment vehicles to influence Beechwood development
  - Poverty Strategy to advocate for better local and City performance in reducing chronic poverty in the Ottawa Vanier Riding by building community driven agenda
  - Emergency Preparedness: Developing approach to work with the City for community action in an emergency
- Information sharing to reduce overhead for each association
- Support to new CA’s
Transportation and Safety Committee
John Forsey, Chair

Safety
► November 2017: MPCA invited WISE (Women’s Initiatives for Safer Environments) to conduct a safety audit in Manor Park East. WISE made a number of recommendations, mainly for the City.
► MPCA and the Councillor’s office are tracking the slow City response

Crime, Security and Emergency Preparedness
► Joe McAllister, a retired RCMP Superintendent spearheads MPCA crime reduction and safety activity
  ► Regular Listserve use to to provide a neighbourhood watch function, community meetings, and work closely with our CPO, Calixte Vianney
  ► Emergency Preparedness Resource Guide for MP Residents on Line and List Serve (French version to follow)
Transportation

Hemlock Traffic

MPCA has cooperated with RPRA in raising the chronic problems of speeding and illegal heavy trucks on Hemlock. We have also secured agreement of OC Transpo to support a pedestrian crosswalk on Hemlock at Thornwood to improve safety for those using the Route 17 eastbound stop.

Community Speed Limits

MPCA is cooperating with the Community Collective neighbouring to advocate for 40 km/hr speed limits on all residential streets in New Edinburgh/Lindenlea/Rockcliffe and Manor Park.

Downtown (Truck) Tunnel

MPCA, along with representatives from Lowertown, Sandy Hill and Orleans, is active in Sustainable Solutions/Solutions durables, which is advocating progress on the proposed tunnel linking Hwy 417 with the Macdonald Cartier Bridge. Such a tunnel should permanently end discussion of a new bridge in the East End.
Community Outreach
Mary Hickman, Chair

- Give voice to all: especially under-served populations
- The committee monitors conditions and needs of vulnerable groups in Manor Park with an emphasis on elders, youth, and low-income residents
- It meets regularly with social service groups, government representatives, RRCRC, schools, faith-based organizations and others in order to understand mandates and programs, and communicates the needs of Manor Park residents to build partnerships
- MPCA established a partnership with the Rideau-Rockcliffe Community Resource Center to work on community building activities such as after school programming, summer programming, and social events
- Supports Yule Housing Co-op’s Board in their relationship with the City and property management decisions
- City funding secured for a “Paint It Up” mural to be designed and painted by Manor Park teenagers in summer 2019
Development Review
Don Lishman, Chair

- **Wateridge Village** - monitoring the progress of the development to determine and hopefully minimize any negative impacts on our community from noise, vibration, air and water pollution and traffic;

- **Redevelopments in the community** - monitoring the potential future developments such as Manor Park Estates and tear-down/rebuild projects to ensure that the character and well-being of our community is preserved;

- **Developments contiguous to the community** - monitoring any proposed developments that may have direct impact on our community especially regarding traffic impacts;

- **Zoning/Rezoning** - respond to any City initiatives for this issue again to ensure that the character and well-being of our community is preserved.
The Mature Neighbourhood Overlay is meant to encourage infill that integrates well with the overall character of the street.

Only applies to all infills including renovations (e.g. vacant lot, rebuild).

Requires developers to do a “streetscape analysis” based on 3 criteria:
- Front yard character group
- Parking and driveway
- Façade and door orientation

A town hall meeting was held on September 20th 2018 to get input.
- Motion to be adopted in this AGM

Other neighbourhoods have adopted the overlay (e.g. Lindenlea, Overbrook).

For more information: Ottawa.ca/StreetscapeCharacter
Tree Canada Grant for the Manor Park Fruit and Nut Tree Project
- 20 fruit trees and 10 berry bushes for residents and the Yule Coop
- Delivery and planting day is Saturday June 8, 11 am at the Field House
- Produce will be shared with Manor Park School and Food Bank

Links with city-wide and regional community environmental organizations, including CAFES, Ecology Ottawa, OREC, Sustainable Eastern Ontario, NCENN, and Ottawa River Keeper

Open to support Manor Park resident initiatives

Volunteers are needed on June 8th
Activities and Challenges Ahead

- Community Collective poverty strategy → catalyzes federal, provincial and city collaboration to reduce Ottawa-Vanier poverty by 30% by 2030
- Congestion from interprovincial bridge and traffic → reduced by LRT
- City enforces 40 KPH limit in Manor Park → safety
- Emergency planning / climate → driven by City strategy
- Wise Report → ensure implementation
- Manor Park School support → provide community support

Volunteers are welcome - will you join us?
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