

Session ordinaire du 9 août 2022 PÉRIODE DE QUESTIONS / Ordinary sitting of August 9, 2022 QUESTION PERIOD

Début : 19h16 Fin : 20h25

QUESTIONS REÇUES PAR COURRIEL (1 À 1)				
1	Q	Could Mayor & Council provide any insight into the decision-making process in ignoring the issue of the escalating levels of wireless radiation in society including in rural areas such as in Chelsea? Could perhaps the councillors who were both in the previous Council and are still present, current Mayor Guénard and Councillor Chan provide further insight into the past urban planning procedures and decision-making processes? To repeat my questions from my last letter: • Where are our remarks gone in the survey? • Why are they not included in the survey results? • Who decided to leave them out? • On what basis where these remarks left out? • How will you include wireless radiation, its harm on humans, wildlife & its high energy consumption in the final Master plan?		
	R	Radio frequencies are under federal jurisdiction and the Municipality does not have the jurisdiction to legislate in this regard. The impact of radio frequencies on human and animal health is not covered in the urban plan and is not part of its mandate. The urban plan focuses on zoning and permits uses in a specific area that is consistent with the vision of Council. The Municipality can intervene in terms of aesthetics, in an PIIA for example, but cannot prohibit them. The World Health Organization sets a standard with a minimum to be met. This standard is for all radio frequencies, including internet, cellular, high voltage power lines.		
QUESTIONS REÇUES EN PRÉSENTIEL (A à I)				
	Q	Est-ce que la Municipalité peut préciser son plan d'action afin d'assurer la sécurité des piétons et cyclistes dans le district 2 et quel est l'échéancier mis en place? Le dépôt d'une lettre a également été fait.		
Α	R	Il est important de tenir compte des améliorations qui ont été effectuées depuis 2012. À cette époque il n'y avait aucun aménagement. Il y avait une seule piste cyclable et aucune affiche de vitesse. La vitesse était auparavant à 70 km/h sur Old Chelsea et Scott et aujourd'hui elle est de 50 km/h sur Old Chelsea et de 30 km/h devant l'école Grand-Boisé. Des traverses de piétons ont été mises en place à plusieurs endroits et nous avons maintenant plusieurs pistes cyclables. Tous les ans, la Municipalité investit en ce sens. Des radars pédagogiques ont été commandés. La Municipalité évalue l'application de bandes caoutchoutées au lieu de la peinture pour une meilleure adhérence. Les recommandations pour améliorer les passages piétonniers seront considérées dans le budget de cet automne. La Municipalité se donne comme objectif un programme d'amélioration continue des passages piétonniers au cours des prochaines années. La Municipalité a l'intention de se doter de radars éducatifs qui seront positionnés aux endroits problématiques. En collaboration avec la SAAQ, il y aura en début d'année scolaire une campagne d'éducation pour les étudiants des écoles primaires. La Municipalité s'engage à mettre à niveau les affiches, à continuer de parler avec le MTQ et à investir pour la population active sur l'ensemble du territoire.		
В	Q	Can the municipality explain why it now considers that all environmental and river access by-laws that were approved and found to be compliant by the former Council are no longer sufficient and are not being enforced to allow construction?		
	R	Those are proposed by-laws that will be modified next week based on the comments we received and also on the professionals' advice. The final by-laws will be adopted in the Fall.		
•	Q	Can the municipal staff from the planning department meet with the residents of Richens Road so they can better understand the by-laws regarding the "grand father clause"?		
С	R	We received all the comments sent by email and they are in the file. We will analyze them and see what is possible to do. Council and staff will work on that and address those concerns.		



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D	Q	 Why was the letter sent for docks? Why is the Municipality only taking action against private property owners but is not doing anything about illegal docks on its land? Has the Municipality looked at the method used by Gatineau to clear out their docks?
		The shoreline restoration started in 2014 and assessment of several sectors were done. We started with the 3 lakes first. It is a process.
	R	The MRC will start implementing the shoreline analysis for every municipality, but Chelsea was upfront regarding environment.
		On the river, some property owners have a right to keep their docks. Council will discuss what to do with illegal docks.
E	Q	 When will the Active and Sustainable Mobility committee discuss the safety and security problems for pedestrians and bikers on the community trail and make a recommendation to you? Because this is a safety and security problem, are you willing to revise your 2022 budget and approve a sole-source
		contract for "chicanes" without going through the SEAO process?
		 We received the "Avis technique" from Velo Quebec and it was published on the website. We are aware of the problems and need to identify the proper signage. Meetings are going to be held.
	R	We will bring the final plan to the ASMC (Active and Sustainable Mobility Committee), and it is only at that moment that they will make recommendation to Council. Signage and security barriers will be installed in 2023 and 2024.
		A working group was set up and the recommendation will go to the ASMC and from the ASMC to Council. A meeting will take place in fall and the recommendation will be in 2023.
		2. We do not have the final decision yet. We are still working on the "Avis Technique" to find a solution to get the intended results. A working group was set up and the recommendation will go to the ASMC and from the ASMC to the Council. A meeting will take place in the Fall and the recommendation will be in 2023.
F	Q	Tabling of documents: signage examples.
	Q	Can the Municipality laminate the signage I found and use them on the Voie Verte?
	R	The signage must respect the MTQ specifications. The signage you brought are visual but not official. With those, the police can not intervene. This is a good idea, and we will look what is available with the MTQ standard. Thank you.
G		Why does Council think that removing docks will increase access to the river?
	Q	2. How can the Municipality build a trail without putting the safety signage?
		Council will be discussing with staff regarding the docks. We are not having a public consultation regarding docks tonight.
	R	2. There were some similar to 20km signs or yielding signs. The historical panel has not been done yet. The areas where we will install stop signs, bollards, barricades etc. have not been fully identified yet. We are working on this.
Н		Tabling of a letter and flash drives for members of Council.
	Q	Can the Municipality meet the residents of Highlands Project in August to discuss the changes to the by-law regarding the setback and the 300 square meter size?
	R	The Municipality will verify the possibility of meeting residents. We can assure all residents that their concerns have been taken into consideration and we will be having a meeting to discuss all this with staff and councillors.
		I have several questions regarding docks:
ı	Q	Which option will the Municipality go for? Is the Municipality going to remove docks? Will the Municipality municipalize docks? Will there be further amendments? Will current dock owners be compensated? Will the Municipality take responsibility to remove docks in the Fall or Spring? Will signage be posted regarding maximum occupancy? Will no parking signs be posted on our road parking area and along the river? Who will be liable in case there is an accident? Will there be people for monitoring enforcement?
	R	Those are very good questions. We will discuss all this and provide you with an answer. Please send your questions by email to info@chelsea.ca .