

**Council Meeting Number 29-2023  
Addendum  
Tuesday, November 7, 2023**

**Delegations**

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of Delegation Numbers 4 through 19.

4. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Robert Knox to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

5. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Theresa Schneider to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

6. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Keith Schneider to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

7. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Curtis Stanzel to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

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8. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Ayat Salman to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

9. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Jessi Cooper to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

10. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Donald Banham to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

11. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Jason Pawlik to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

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12. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Donna Hamilton to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

13. Moved by Councillor Chaves

Seconded by Councillor Amos

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Ben Pilon to appear before Council to speak to Clause 2 of Report Number 88: Received from Kingston Heritage Properties Committee with respect to Notice of Intention to Designate under the Ontario Heritage Act.

14. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Samit Sharma to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

15. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Vicki Keith to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

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16. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Stuart Hult to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

17. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Jordyn Truman to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

18. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow David Mathers to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

19. Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow David Holland to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

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**Reports**

**Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider)**

The consent of Council is requested to **receive** Exhibit G – Supplemental Survey Responses – October 31 to November 2, 2023, to accompany Report Number 23-226 – Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps, and form part of Clause 1, Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) portion of the Agenda.

(See Exhibit G to Report Number 23-226 attached to the Addendum as schedule pages 1-16)

**Miscellaneous Business**

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of Miscellaneous Business Number 1.

1. Moved by Councillor Ridge

Seconded by Councillor Cinanni

**That** as requested by Latré Lawson, Réseau de soutien à l'immigration francophone, Council proclaim November 5 to 11, 2023 as "Semaine nationale de'immigration francophone / National Francophone Immigration Week" in the City of Kingston.

**(See Communication 29-990)**

**Communications**

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of Communications Number 29-990, 29-991, 29-993, 29-995, 29-996, and 29-997.

29-990 Proclamation Request Form received from Latré Lawson, Réseau de soutien à l'immigration francophone, requesting Council proclaim November 5 – 11, 2023 as "Semaine nationale de'immigration francophone / National Francophone Immigration Week" in Kingston.

(Distributed to all members of Council on November 2, 2023)

29-991 Correspondence received from Tammy Lunn with respect to Sleeping Cabins, dated November 2, 2023.

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29-993 Correspondence received from Susan Johnston with respect to Sleeping Cabins, dated November 1, 2023.

(Distributed to all members of Council on November 3, 2023)

29-995 Correspondence received from Anthony Tan with respect to Rodden Park Sleeping Cabins, dated November 3, 2023.

(Distributed to all members of Council on November 3, 2023)

29-996 Correspondence received from PJ Zwilling with respect to Cabins at Olympic Harbour, dated November 4, 2023.

(Distributed to all members of Council on November 6, 2023)

29-997 Correspondence received from Rev. Lisa Chisholm-Smith, Deacon, St. James Anglican Church, with respect to Sleeping Cabins, dated November 6, 2023.

(Distributed to all members of Council on November 6, 2023)

## Supplementary Survey Responses | Oct. 31 to Nov. 2, 2023

### Get Involved Kingston: Sleeping Cabin Long-Term Location

#### Rationale:

When the project was originally set up on the Get Involved Kingston site, it was determined that the close of the survey should be Thursday, Nov. 2 at 4 p.m.

- To allow staff time to compile and analyze public engagement feedback for Council review, feedback received Sept. 19 to Oct. 31 was included in [COU-23-226](#).
- This supplement provides updated results from Survey Questions 1 and 2 for the duration of the engagement (Sept. 19 to Nov. 2) and updated postal code data.
- This supplement contains verbatim text submissions received Oct. 31 to Nov. 2 at 4 p.m. and the final totals to survey questions 1 and 2.

Participant postal code data: Staff wish to correct the postal code as data reported in Report Number 23-226; Rodden Park is listed as K7K and Rideau Marina as K7M. This has been corrected for this report with Rodden Park listed as K7M and Rideau Marina listed as K7K.

- 373 participants live in a community with the postal code beginning with K7M (Rodden Park and the surrounding area)
- 361 participants live in a community with a postal code beginning with K7K (Rideau Marina and the surrounding area)

Question 1. Do you support the sleeping cabins being located in Rodden Park?

- 952 participants completed Question 1.
- 451 participants (47%) definitely disagree or somewhat disagree with the cabins being located in Rodden Park.
- 390 participants (41%) definitely agree or somewhat agree with the cabins being located in Rodden Park.

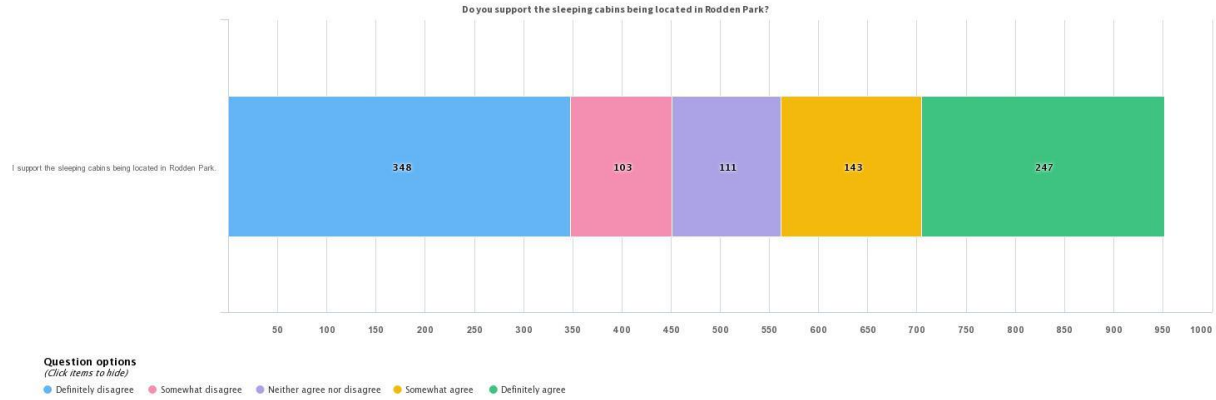


Figure 1 chart of completed survey responses to Question 1.

Q2 Do you support the sleeping cabins being located in Rideau Marina?

- 953 participants completed Question 2.
- 449 (47%) participants definitely disagree or somewhat disagree with the cabins being located in Rideau Marina.
- 400 (42%) participants definitely agree or somewhat agree with the cabins being located in Rideau Marina.

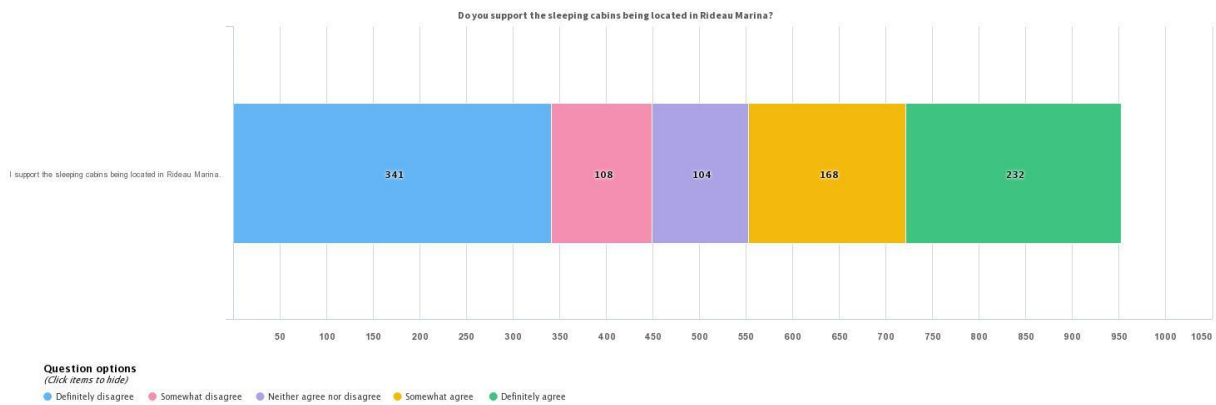


Figure 2 chart of completed survey responses to question 2

The following responses were submitted by Get Involved Kingston participants from Oct. 31 to Nov. 2. Personal information, including screen names or email addresses, have been omitted from the reporting below. Feedback is verbatim from participants, and comments are not edited for grammar, spelling, or punctuation. Feedback that did not follow the City of Kingston's Guidelines for Participation is not included in any public engagement summaries.



Question 3: Do you have additional comments specific to the long-term location for the sleeping cabins?

1. Find a permanent home for these people! Come on, do better.
2. Rodden Park is used by many families and local children for recreation, sport, dog-walking and conduit to bus stop. There would be a risk to children walking to and from the public school right across the road. The location backs directly onto many homes which would be affected by noise etc. This is the only public space in Calvin Park and was sold to the city for the express purpose of remaining as a public park. Calvin park is already the location of many social housing properties. There was a concern brought up at one of the meetings that this type of housing solution has not been determined to be successful or worth the financial cost. It will definitely affect property values of owners and taxpayers in Calvin Park who bought homes there partially because it was an established neighbourhood.
3. Rodden Park has been a dedicated green space for decades. It is the only green space in the area. Was it not sold to the City conditional on it being used as a greenspace? How can this be reversed?! Many low income families in the neighborhood that do not have access to greenspace elsewhere; Queen's daycare is directly across the street; Centennial Elementary School across the street.
4. Whom so ever you see in distress, recognize in them a fellow person. If I can help people in need by simply giving consent for them to be in my neighbourhood, then of course I will say yes.
5. I feel both locations are not acceptable.
6. The marina is too isolated and will negatively affect the river.
7. Not in or near a residential area
8. Any location of the sleeping cabins will be perfect as long as you can sustain it. My call is to be selective with the people you are putting in a certain area. For the people around, they should be comfortable having them around, and I believe if we explain the whole purpose of providing sleeping cabins, they will co-operate.  
To the people in the sleeping cabins:
  - treat them like normal people
  - provide basic needs such as heat, water supply, electricity, food, education (there's a funding for that)
  - provide services such as education (financial management, culture, moral values, DIYs, how to use X or Y)
  - therapy/meditation sessions - let people talk and listen
  - mindfulness sessions

- brain-storming ideas about a certain topic (What do you think is important for maintaining your family life? Thoughts about independency?business creation? Hockey? American football? )
- team building events
- every one cooks and share
- other services you provide as usual

For the people around:

There need to be a safety net. Certain restrictions need to be implemented.

- No use of substances. No late parties. No use of alcohol. Have a smoking area.
- Behaviour of people in the sleeping cabins and make sure the message is passed along to their neighbours as well.
- Keep the environment around them clean
- Engage with them - It does not cost (maybe from the funding) much to make some muffins and distribute them. I think it's a collective effort to try and make them(those in the sleeping cabins) feel like they are in a community.

The goal is to help them re-integrate in the society. Long-term location will provide shelter for a while, but not forever. Teach them while you have them.

9. Not a viable program with proven results. Rideau does not have services.
10. Provide an option that services the residents of the sleeping cabins.
11. When can the City of Kingston conduct a site visit with all of us interested community members to answer all our questions on a site we believe to be inappropriate?
12. Allowing the sleeping cabins to be places in Rodden Park, residents would be able to access community resources which allows those individuals to be successful. I believe placing the cabins in Rideau Marina isolates individuals.
13. Rideau Marina is a little far for them to access services. Rodden Park would be a better option.
14. Cabins should be central so that people are able to get places with ease. Not all can get a bus pass or have a bike.
15. There should be concerns that this program would be housed in a heavily wooded area. Egress for EMS vehicles is bad.
16. Rideau Marina is too remote for clients to access services.
17. I support sleeping cabins. Yes they still sleeping cabin up town shopping centre. more sleeping cabin downtown.
18. This is the first time hearing about sleeping cabins. I need more information to have an opinion on the matter.
19. The space needs an environmental assessment. There are contaminants in soil, fuel tank was in hill, current structure not building code safe
20. A needs assessment needs to be done. This program is not hitting any of the markers for quality or human dignity

21. The sleeping cabins were able to house people for 5,000 nights. That is a successful program.
22. Rodden Park is in the middle of a residential area where many young children live and play. It is in the vicinity of three schools. This would be the absolute worst location for the sleeping cabins. Erect them in Rideau Marina.
23. First of all, I wish to express my gratitude to all city employees, corporate citizens and community members working together to address the homelessness epidemic in our community.
24. As we are all aware, a tiny number of sleeping cabins is not a sufficient strategy to address the enormity of the homelessness situation. Although it is a start, it seems to absorb a disproportionate amount of time and financial/human resources, warranting a more permanent location. It would be helpful in making this decision to have more information on the rules & regulations for the sleeping cabins eg. are residents required to leave their sleeping cabin during the day as they do in the shelters? If so, this seems inhumane.
25. In any event, Rodden Park is not located close enough to the heart of community services and amenities to be considered a suitable location for the sleeping cabins. I'm not sure what the logic was for it to even be proposed as a second location and am not familiar with the alternative harbour location. However, it is wonderful to see Homestead enter into this process, and I would like to draw the reader and corporation's attention to the recent CBC story on the development of a community, 99 subsidized tiny homes being built in New Brunswick:  
<https://www.cbc.ca/player/play/2277497923783>
26. Beyond the permanent placement of these few sleeping cabins, what is happening with the planning and development of subsidized tiny home communities in Kingston? Again, many thanks
27. But this 3 year plan is not addressing the issue of homelessness for these people.
28. The people sleeping in the cabins are using substances when they have no way to go get them. The drugs are finding them so that means this program brings drug dealers to the neighbourhood where they are placed.
29. This solution is temporary and not optimal
30. This program should be a good distance for schools
31. This survey doesn't respond to citizens concerns and it's not mobile friendly
32. It feels like the operator is able to choose where the site is and this process is a sham
33. The city is being able-ist by putting a program like this at such a terrible site
34. It feels like this decision was made already and the info sessions are not going to help anything
35. All the councillors need to walk the site before deciding where the program will go. This is the wrong solution, the wrong property, abandon the project.
36. I feel safer with this program in my neighbourhood. They are good people getting help.

37. The short notice to the info nights was bad and the survey is intimidating. No one should have to make an account to have a say.
38. The park has a designated status that has to be respected. There is too much social housing in the area already.
39. As per [redacted], this program should not impact a community there will be drug use. It should be in under-used industrial area.
40. Fears of the cabin on the community are unfounded
41. The pressures of Belle Park will come to this neighbourhood. The Driveway ices over. People have trouble driving up it all winter. The area also floods 6 times per year and a neighbour helps to clear the drains. Neither site is optimal.
42. No room for 17 cabins and a modular kitchen. The operator doesn't want to be there so why is it an option?
43. Boarding houses and social housing have brought the community down. Increased density will make it worse. Tobogganing a serious event here with <1cm of snow
44. Neighbours need to know more details before agreeing to program. What is the control plan to deal with safety, health, crime issues?
45. The map under-represents the foot print of cabin project. Closest neighbour is very distressed of having people in her backyard 24/7. The city will need to erect a visual barrier. Partner up with the prov and feds to get a better plan in place
46. This park and green space is a popular shortcut for kids. There are 4 schools in the area. Don't take green space!
47. 1963 Penitentiary gifts land and building to city as long as it remains a park. 2007 seniors home not allowed to build there because of heritage designation. Cultural landscape clause needs to be addressed.
48. Home owner petrified as a single female for neighbourhood and property value
49. Evaluate program and put dollars in something that actually helps people
50. My comments are specific to the Rodden Park location. The proposed location is across the street from an elementary school and in close proximity to 3 other schools (St. Thomas, LEC, LC/Calvin Park). Have there been any incidents at the cabins in their current locations that, if they occurred at Rodden Park, would put the schools into a lockdown, hold and secure or shelter in place? How frequently do these types of incidents occur? The area that is highlighted in the diagram of Rodden Park does not seem large enough for the placement of 17 cabins. There was also no indication of where the washroom/shower/cooking/meeting facilities would be located. This would obviously take up more space. Where would it be placed? How much more of the park would this take up? I feel like the area as currently outlined is false advertising as it is clearly much smaller than the actual impact would be on the park. The location that is outlined is too close to the back yards of houses on Michael Grasse Cres. These individuals chose to purchase a property that backs on to parkland (protected as such in its original purchase agreement from the prison). This is different than purchasing a house that backs on to an undeveloped lot. There should be a

minimum distance between the cabins and existing property lines to afford the home owners some privacy, protection from noise/light pollution. Parks are smoke free. How will the area be monitored to ensure that residents of the sleeping cabins are not smoking in the park? Will this then lead to individuals, if they are smokers, smoking on the sidewalks surrounding the park? There are rules about how far away a person needs to be from a park in order to smoke. Who will monitor this in relation to Centennial Public School? Some of the comments have mentioned garbage, needles, etc. in areas around the cabins. What will be the process to ensure that the park surrounding the cabins is safe for those who use it as a recreational space? Calvin Park already does its fair share for the city in terms of having a lot of subsidized housing in various forms. Other areas of the city have next to none. The closest grocery store to this location, Loblaws, is one of the most expensive. I am not sure if this is a viable shopping option for residents of the cabins. Rodden Park is not the correct location for the sleeping cabins. The park is widely used by members of the community and the schools in the area. I have always disagreed with the statement that the park is "underutilized". Placing the cabins in the centre of a residential neighbourhood is not the right choice.

51. The desire to ameliorate the conditions of homeless Kingstonians is a commendable sentiment; they need support. Several factors make Rodden Park, however, a completely unsuitable place for sleeping cabins. Rodden Park is located directly across the street from Centennial Public School and is extremely close to three other educational facilities: St. Thomas More Catholic Elementary School, Katarokwi Learning Centre and Calvin Park Public High School. Needless to say, this would create an unsafe situation for children at these facilities. Rodden Park is also a cherished greenspace for local residents, such as those from An Clachan, who use this park every day. Living in Rodden Park will not improve the situation of homeless Kingstonians, but it will create numerous, new challenges. As for the Rideau Marina, I too little about this location to pass judgement on whether it is suitable.
52. I question whether tiny homes are a safe option for permanent housing for individuals. I would like to know more about how people get selected to be in these. I wonder if we are creating any other inequities through the selection process. However ultimately, I have concerns about Rodden Park specifically because of its directly in a family park between two children's neighborhoods where kids gather to play on a daily basis. I am concerned about kids and drug use, and unknown risk of [redacted]. Are there other locations that would be better for Tiny Home residents without having a direct impact on children in these neighborhoods? I would like to know how this even became an option, how Rodden Park was selected? It seems to be less locations less immersed directly within a community park, with equivalent or better infrastructure to support amenities. For example, the former RV campground at Lake Ontario park, or the large parking space at the memorial center.

53. Both locations seem far from where the cabins are needed but the Marina seems really far. I think it's great that you're adding the cabins but maybe you should also add cabins/amenities to Belle Park since that's where people seem to want to stay anyway? Like water and bathrooms and stuff.
54. Why is the search limited to only two locations? Can we not build the community/kitchen/bathrooms so the residents can finally settle into a neighbourhood? Publicly owned is always better than private although the Harbour area is nice and central. What do the residents and potential residents say they need and want?
55. Rodden Park is way too close to many elementary schools, including being just down the street from centennial public school. Rideau marina is a much more appropriate location.
56. Neither of the locations appear to be near the type of services cabin occupants might need. The proposal at Rodden Park would result in loss of green space, reduction in park use by others, barriers to popular access routes through the park, change of park use agreed upon at purchase of the land and would be too close to residential areas.
57. Of the two locations under consideration currently, Rodden Park appears better suited to the requirements of the cabins. Having attended both public meetings, it should be evident that the vast majority of residents in each instance are not in favour of the cabins at either site. It also should be evident that the overall effectiveness of the sleeping cabins project as temporary and transitional is in question. Regarding the Rideau Marina site, city councilors should not be distracted by the Homestead offer given that the sleeping cabin initiative does not appear to be achieving its proposed objectives and, more generally, is not a good use of taxpayer dollars.
58. I am concerned with these cabins being so close to our local public school Cenntenial P.S., this park is highly used by many local children. Also they will be located in the backyards of the homes that are on Michael Grass Cres. Which will directly affect the real estate value of these homes as well as all the homes in this area. We pay high taxes and don't think the cabins reflect this in the neighbourhood. I purchased my home with the green space in mind for my children to play as well as other families in the neighbourhood I'm sure. What's next a needle drop off box at the city greenhouse? My neighbours and I have had discussions we are anger as we feel the decision may have already been made with all the construction work going on on the heritage buildings in Rodden Park. Thank you and please keep my points of concern in mind as you vote.
59. Rodden Park has high concertation of families and close to 4 schools in the neighborhood. The slope in the park is also used by many children and families in the winter for tobogganing. The safety for the children's is big concern. A long-term location must be far away from schools.
60. Rodden Park is a family used park - it is in the middle of a residential area and not suitable for this project.

61. The proposed 48A Point St Mark Drive location, the 'Rideau Marina' site, for relocation of the Sleeping Cabins is not in the Public Interest in accordance with the Provincial Policy Statement and Land Use Patterns within Settlement Areas. It is an unsafe location for the Sleeping Cabins Project. The former 'Rideau Marina' property has unsafe road access. The single lane access to the site is unsafe for Fire Department response, putting occupants lives at risk and creating legal liability for The City of Kingston and residents for choosing to ignore the fire hazard response critical deficiencies of the former 'Rideau Marina' location. Since the inception of the Sleeping Cabin pilot project 18 months ago there have been 2 serious fires. One in December 2022 that destroyed 3 sleeping cabins and one just recently on September 4, 2023. Having previously driven on this land at the time it was a functioning marina, the access road is on an extremely steep section of the property. Further, the access road exits adjacent to Limeridge Dr at a severe curve in the road on Point St Mark. From a planning perspective, during winter or icy road conditions, the merger of these two roads, Limeridge Dr and Access Road, directly onto a blind curve section of Point St Mark Dr within proximity of each other, dramatically increases the traffic hazard at this intersection. Additionally, the corner of Point St Mark Dr and Limeridge Dr is a Tri-Board Transit bus pick-up and drop-off location for all ages of school children. Given the precarious nature of the 48A Point St Mark Dr property in the context of the extremely high-water levels recently encountered summer 2017 on Lake Ontario and flooding of Kingston properties adjacent to shorelines, I believe locating a vulnerable population in such close proximity to the Lake Ontario waterfront is not appropriate. This is particularly significant given the documented increased frequency of extreme weather events due to global warming and environmental change. The Sleeping Cabins are at risk and are inconsistent with the environmental protections of the waterfront in the Municipal Zoning Regulations and UNESCO cultural designation. The location is too far from Social Services to be of benefit to the occupants of the Sleeping Cabins. The 'Rideau Marina' proposed location establishes a vulnerable population at extreme distance for access to Social Services. Many residents of the sleeping cabins suffer from mobility concerns and require mobility assisted devices. The steep grade and single laneway access to the former Rideau Marina site is not an appropriate location for sleeping cabin residents who suffer with mobility concerns, nor for Social Services Support workers to access safely. The Sleeping Cabin pilot project has cost tax payers and private donors \$1,473,000 plus undisclosed costs including facility, utilities and insurance costs. Other undeclared costs include on-site health and social services. \$1,223,000 was from tax payer dollars and \$250,000 from private donors (including a United Way donor). Since it's inception in January 2022, 22 persons have been housed in the sleeping cabins, 3 persons have transitioned into other housing and 2 persons have passed away. Using this data, it has cost nearly half a million dollars (\$491,000) per person to transition persons to permanent housing. After a

review of the City of Kingston's documents for the proposed sleeping cabins, there appears to be no needs assessment for the project nor a formal evaluation component with established outcome criteria as would be expected from a City pilot project. The Sleeping Cabin pilot project has cost taxpayers and private donors over \$1.5 million dollars since its inception 18 months ago. Taxpayers, charities and private donors expect that these considerable funds are being used to achieve the expectations of the City and the pilot project which is to "transition [persons] to permanent housing" (Meet and Greet: Proposed Sleeping Cabin Project at Centre 70, May 10/22 uploaded to City's YouTube channel). The pilot project raises questions of financial responsibility. From a taxpayer perspective, The Sleeping Cabin pilot project has been unsuccessful, and every resident taxpayer ought to be concerned with the viable financial efficacy of this project. In this context, the Sleeping Cabin project ought to be ceased and neither location be considered for further habitation.

62. The Rideau Marina as a site makes little sense as it is not close to service offerings. Rodden Park is near services.
63. Do not locate the sleeping cabins near public schools/ affluent neighborhoods.
64. The client population that would reside in the cabins either have a past criminal history/ have addiction issues/ mental health concerns.
65. A high percentage of the homeless population in Kingston do not reside here, most are transient and do not belong here in this city.
66. Locate the cabins away from public neighborhoods.
67. Rodden Park is srround by many schools and residents, many students and kids play in the park, for the kids and residents safety reason, please don't located sleeping cabins in Rodden Park. Thanks!
68. The sleeping cabins need a permanent location that has access to public transport in a relatively quiet area to avoid potential risks of accidents. Many of the individuals in need of this type of housing have suffered trauma in their lives are likely to be on medication which if not taken properly and regularly can result in unpredictable behaviour. To ensure a safe cabin home location in Rodden Park would require adjustments to traffic congestion that occurs around Centennial school. This would mean relocation or closure of the school for the safety of all. Children would also loose the use of the play structure currently located in Roden and the loss of the tobogganing hill.
69. Rodden park is located across the street from Centennial Park Elementary School. Although it is true that we should not assume that unhoused individuals are dangerous, it has also been demonstrated that encampments frequently contain drugs, weapons, and people who are psychologically distressed, and thus can be unpredictable. Re-locating these realities within the close vicinity of a school- to which children often travel unaccompanied, and at which children should feel safe- is completely unacceptable. You must reconsider this proposal so that school may remain a safe learning environment for children.



70. I absolutely disagree with and am quite concerned with the Rodden park location proposed for long- term sleeping cabins. I wonder if the council has taken into account that there are 4 elementary schools (Centennial P.S, St. Thomas More Catholic School, Calvin Park P.S, Katarokwi Learning Centre) and 1 secondary (LCVI) surrounding this location. As a teacher at one of the schools, this presents a huge safety concern for our children.
71. Rodden Park has far too many schools, daycare, pets in the area. No grocery store in walking distance . No conveniences at all.
72. Rodden Park is near 3 elementary schools, and is right in the middle of a modest and reasonably affluent residential neighbourhood. Building the cabins in the middle of it would not only be incredibly disruptive and pose potential health risks to surrounding residents, but to build it so close to areas where families and their children go to school would be reckless and dangerous. I can understand needing to provide housing for those in need, but more long-term solutions and resources for social security programs are needed. Permanently upending Kington residents' lives and making its neighbourhoods more unsafe is not the answer.
73. Thank you. I very much disagree with sleeping cabins for homeless be placed in vicinity of do many schools. (Rodden Park). There a number of school children who cross through this park to get home. Young ones which can be dangerous to the children and teenagers who can be mean to homeless. Unless the homeless persons (who could strike a familiarity after a bit of time) have to be screened the same as volunteers and staff at schools this could be dangerous
74. We need to get past sterotypes and have some humanity. All people deserve to have at the bare minimum a roof over their head and food in their bellies.
75. I think Rodden Park would be a better choice bc unlike the Marina 1)not next to water which could be dangerous for clientele
- 2)ability to control their location
- 3)having it at the marina would increase crime and drug use while hurting tourism to the area
76. Surrounded by 5 schools, Rodden Park is the only significant community sized park in the Calvin Park neighborhood. With a high density of children, an adult encampment would significantly impact Rodden Parks intended use. Please protect Rodden Park as a natural park for all.
77. From what I see neither place seems appropriate.
78. Need to put the cabins in a high taxation area!

79. I feel that between the proximity to schools and the lack of proximity to services, Rodden park is not a suitable location.

80. It saddens me to see some of the comments posted on this forum. Many of the naysayers seem to be speaking from a place of ignorance, which is fueling their fears. To those saying "not in my backyard" i wonder if you have ever made an attempt to see the sleeping cabins at either POH or Centre 70? Have you ever spoken to some of the residents of these two neighbourhoods to hear what they have to say. To those of you saying these are not tiny homes but sleeping cabins, have you ever lived in a tent without electricity or water for months on end?

We live in a society that routinely keeps people impoverished to keep inflation in check for those that already have so much so they don't have to worry about paying more for gas, food and all the trappings of the middle class. It is not a choice they have made as much as it is a choice made by those who have never experienced need. No one chooses a tent as a viable housing option!

I agree with many comments more affordable housing would be ideal, but are you also saying that those currently without housing should just wait till that day happens? Seriously? I live in an area surrounded by student housing and watched 4 houses sit empty for 2 full years throughout the pandemic instead of alleviating some of the stress being placed not just on the unemployed but by those earning minimum wage, contract workers, seasonal workers and part time workers. It is shameful to read comments suggesting these people have made a lifetime of bad choices to end up homeless in a city that would allow houses to sit empty during a housing crisis. Not everyone fits your narrow vision of why people are homeless.

The people who live in these sleeping cabins are exactly that - people. This may not be ideal but for those living in the cabins the program provides safety, and a sense of community. It gives them a chance to try to find suitable accommodations, if they are available, while not having to deal with carting all of their belongings with them.

So, City of Kingston now it is your turn to finally do the right thing and find this program a suitable permanent home. This program is being replicated in many similar sized cities throughout Ontario. Representatives from many of these cities and towns came to the sleeping cabin community and have implemented or are implementing similar programs with community support. Man up, Kingston!

81. I am disappointed that I missed the opportunity to propose locations.

proposing locations that are not consistent with the desires of the community is unfair.

Rodden Park is a long walk from city centre where the occupants would normally congregate during the day.

Pt St-Mark is ridiculously distant from the rest of their community

Memorial Centre has space, is within the circle of the community and has access to the utilities

82. I've mentioned my idea before on a site I believe Whig standard comments. but got no response the tiny homes have more or less been adopted by portsmouth and having lived and grown up thier ..I think it's a great undertaking...my destination is on Francis Street at my old school now seniors sell centre's what better fit. It would be an asset for both ...and lots of room for cabins ....you know adopt a senior. Ok adopt a tiny home...close to providence continuing care close to Saint lawrence kingston center. Odsp..and I'm sure thier can be lots of interaction and support both ways. Thier could be extension of fencing along pkg lots for privacy for all..I think we need to get this decision right. And half the battle is acceptance and association and this is the right spot. Ty.

83. According to the article "City to hear from Kingston residents about sleeping cabin site choice" Published Aug 10, 2022 - The Kingston Whig Standard: "Rideau Marina was identified as the leading candidate, largely because Homestead offered to contribute \$750,000 over three years to set up 20 cabins on the site and \$50,000 annually for three years to cover operational costs.

"The Marina would definitely be one that would be much cheaper from a city perspective in terms of investment that would be required. Other sites would obviously require a full city investment in terms of the capital and operating costs," chief administrative officer Lanie Hurdle said."

The rational choice is to choose the Rideau Marina because the savings are immediate. The capital savings could be invested over the three years to earn interest income to cover all or partial expenses. In addition, a reasonable increase in property taxes, ~ 0.00015% on all of Kingston properties (\$550,000x(~80,955 homes)-2021 census), and it's surrounding area could be introduced in year 4 to cover the maintenance costs and establish a reserve.

84. The basic premise of providing basic services/housing to all is admirable. The decision to locate these sleeping cabins in established, residential neighbourhood is not. It has a direct financial and physical effect on the local residents. No one can credibly argue this move isn't going to substantially reduce the property values of those whose homes are located in the two areas chosen. These homes are often the most valuable asset of the residents, and yet the consensus of the decision makers

seems to be “suck it up/eat the rich”. These aren’t rich people, these are middle class people who worked their entire lives to establish themselves.

If the goal is to provide safe housing for the less fortunate, there is ample land elsewhere in Kingston, closer to the social services utilized by the cabins potential residents.

Secondly the safety aspect has been downplayed into some Polly-Anna like dream; that if the local residents just opened their hearts and homes, all will be well. The reality is that one doesn’t reach the point of being unhoused as a result of one bad experience or choice in life. The prospective tenants of the cabins have a multitude of issues they are dealing with, and to expect the local residents to suddenly have to deal with their drug abuse, violence, and anti-social behaviour within the very neighbourhood the current residents are raising their families is unfair and unjust.

The sleeping cabins are a worthy experiment on their own, if they are considered that- an experiment that will be judged and measured in an objective manner.

To locate them in established, family focused neighbourhoods is just wrong and ill-thought out; it harms both the current residents as well as any prospect that this program will be a success.

To those who are whole hearted supporters of this program, I suggest the alternative of locating one of the sleeping cabins in their own back yards.

85. I agree neither location is perfect. I hope the marina location will not be too cold for the residents. I think the marina is a better location because of the walkability to the Hub, and to convenience store. I do agree with concerns about mobility access at the Marina site. The Rodden park location is a second choice for me. I would like to see the tiny home / sleeping cabin program proceed either way.

86. Last I checked Homestead already offered to basically pay operating costs for a few years at the Marina site and offered a 10 year, 1 dollar per year lease - unless they've reneged on that? Also the operators already preferred that location. I don't really know how this is even still being discussed - there doesn't seem to be any logical argument for the Rodden location

87. Considering Homestead is offering to help financially with the maintenance for the first year at the marina location and they are offering to donate the site it would seem cost effective for this location as a taxpayer.

The Official Plan talks about mixing low income housing into various neighborhoods - Calvin Park has their fair share including on Cliff Crescent and Van Order and I am not aware of any in the Marina area.

Centennial public school is located in close proximity to Rodden Park and I enjoy using Rodden Park almost daily so i disagree strongly with Rodden Park location.

In a previous communication from the Municipality, Elliott Avenue (North of Princess) was mentioned as a possible location but was presumably dropped from consideration and no reason was given. Considering Social Services are in this general area, this seems like a reasonable location.

88. I believe Rideau Marine is very suitable, now with the new crossing excessibility is so much easier from people to get to there programs. Excellent spot.

89. I would not feel safe in my community if sleeping cabins were to be used at Rideau Marina.

90. Rodden Park is proximate to several elderly people -- e.g., on Cliff Crescent -- who live alone in their homes and some would be alarmed at the sudden increase in unhoused people in their neighbourhood. What considerations are being made for sanitation and other facilities? How would a firetruck access that space in the event of an emergency? Furthermore, that area is heavily used during winter by children who toboggan down the Rodden Park hill. Ultimately, we need to get past bandage solutions, redistribute wealth and provide humane shelter for all persons!

91. What is best for the community members living there, have their input been asked and considered? They are the best people to make these decisions. In addition, with the amount of people living in shelters and in the rough, surely both sites can be utilized; ensuring running water, toilets and showers as well as removing barriers for mobility and transportation to resources and immenities.

92. 1. To provide better input into the locations, it would be helpful to understand what services the sleeping cabins require (Hydro, washrooms, showers, cooking/kitchen facilities?) and why these 2 sites are being considered.

2. Depending on requirements for washrooms, showers, kitchen facility, alternate locations could include City owned property adjacent to Kingston East Community Centre or Rideau Heights Community Centre. Both locations are located in proximity to high quality Kingston Transit service and within walking distance to many other support services.

3. Before a long term location is selected and additional costs are incurred to relocate and setup the cabins, Council should be presented with updated data about the number of sleeping cabin residents who have been successful in transitioning to and maintaining permanent accommodation to ensure the sleeping cabin program is meeting the intended objectives.

93. Is it possible to use both sites or are there only enough sleeping cabins for one site? Are there kitchen and washroom/showers at both sites? Do the users of the cabins believe that both sites are workable? They would be the best judge re concerns such as the nearness of water, cold, remoteness. I walk in or past Roden Park every day for the last year and have noticed how underused it is, but lovely to have all that open space. The site there seems perfect - near to buses, walking distance to stores and library, and city workers coming and going. The Portsmouth Harbour site has always looked clean so I imagine this new site(s) will also have sufficient services involved such that the people using the cabins can make a safe /clean space for themselves there. Also it seems that I've read about positive interactions between the cabin and the house/apt. residents so that bodes well for the new cabin location. Best of luck to all working on this project.

94. No to Rideau park site

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**Delegations**

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of Delegation Numbers 20 - 25.

**20.** Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Katherine Gibson to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

**21.** Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Rachel Bailey to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

**22.** Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Marguerite Van Die to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

**23.** Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Marsha Wiggins to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

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**24.** Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Chrystal Wilson to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

**25.** Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Councillor M<sup>c</sup>Laren

**That** Clause 12.11 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law be waived to allow Ron Durston to appear before Council to speak to Clause 1 of Report Number 86: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consider) with respect to Sleeping Cabins Update and Next Steps.

**Communications**

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of Communication Numbers 29-999 – 29-1001.

29-999 Correspondence received from Karen Corkey with respect to “Our Livable Solutions Needs Extended Funding”, dated November 7, 2023.

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29-1000 Correspondence received from Stuart Crawford Hult with respect to Sleeping Cabins, dated November 7, 2023.

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29-1001 Correspondence received from Fred Pentney with respect to Homelessness, dated November 7, 2023.

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