



Ward Boundary Review 2020



Round 1 Public Engagement March 4 – April 3, 2020

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Ask us at wardboundary@ottawa.ca



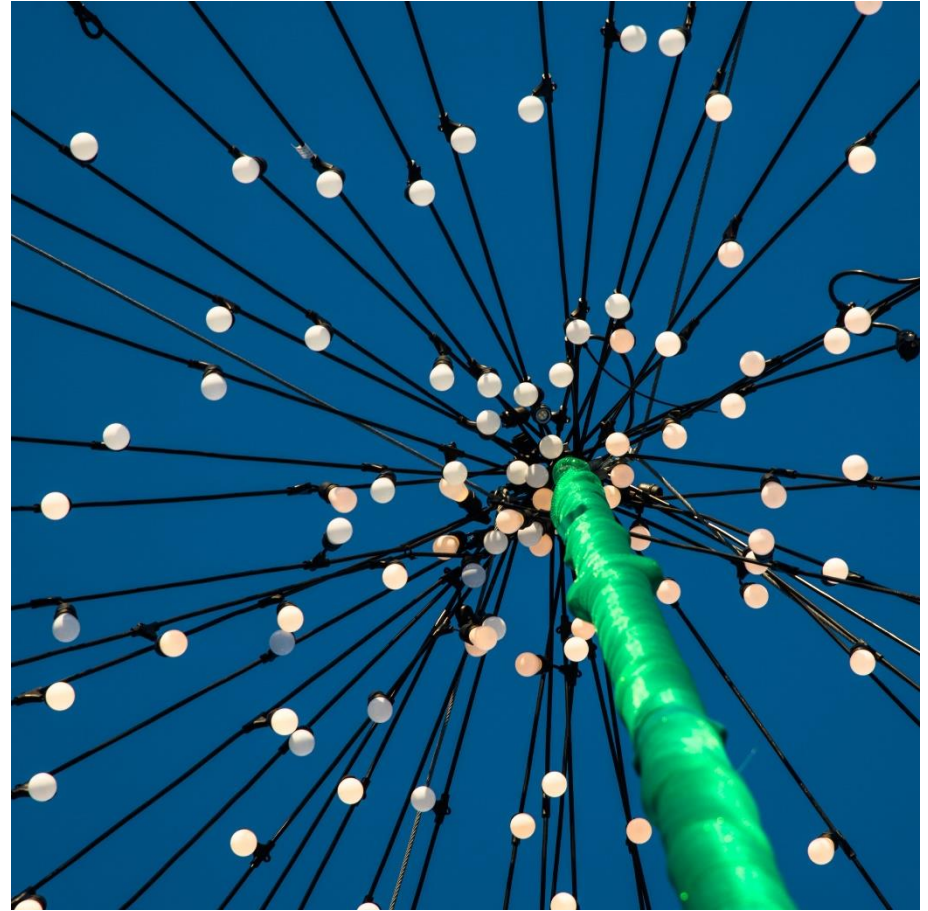
AGENDA

- Overview
- Ottawa's Growth
- Discussion
- Next Steps



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OVERVIEW OF OWBR 2020



What is OWBR 2020 about?

- Number and average population of Ottawa's wards
- Population growth
- Effective representation
 - Voter parity
 - Geographic communities of interest
 - Natural and physical boundaries
 - Ward history
 - Capacity to represent

What is OWBR 2020 about?

- Re-aligned wards should work for 2022, 2026, 2030 municipal elections (possibly 2034)

What is OWBR 2020 not about?

- How Ottawa's government is organized
- How City Council operates
- Quality of the job a Councillor is doing
- Municipal services

OWBR 2020 process

- Round 1 public engagement (March 4 – April 3)
 - Interviews with Members of Council
 - Meetings with stakeholder groups
 - Public meetings
 - Online survey
 - Social media outreach
- Information Report on ward options (June)

OWBR 2020 process

- Round 2 public engagement (June – September)
 - Interviews with Members of Council
 - Meetings with stakeholder groups
 - Public meetings
 - Online survey
 - Social media outreach
- Final Report with recommendations (expected in November)

Who is conducting OWBR 2020?

- Independent team of consultants
 - Beate Bowron Etcetera
 - Hemson Consulting
 - The Davidson Group
- City Council makes final decision

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OTTAWA'S GROWTH



Location of growth

- Considerable growth since 2004-2005 ward boundary review
- Mostly in suburban areas outside the Greenbelt
- Barrhaven, Gloucester-South Nepean, Cumberland suburban area now well above average ward population
- Status quo is not an option

Challenges

- Much of projected growth to 2030 in suburban areas
- Less population growth in urban wards (inside Greenbelt)
- Further substantial growth in suburban area of Cumberland
- How to respect very large rural area with smaller populations (protect as a community of interest)

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DISCUSSION



Ward boundaries

- Do you have any concerns with the current boundaries of any ward(s)?

Communities of interest

Communities of interest are neighbourhoods or specific ethno-cultural groups that live in the same area.

- Do the boundaries of any ward(s) divide any communities of interest?

Ward population

Ottawa's current average ward population is about 44,000 and the range among wards is between 26,000 and 62,000.

- What do you think the average ward population should be so that your Councillor can represent you?

Number of wards

By 2026, Ottawa's population is expected to grow to 1.1 million people.

- In your opinion, how many wards should Ottawa have to achieve good representation? There are now 23 wards.

Other comments

- Do you have any other comments regarding Ottawa's ward boundaries?

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NEXT STEPS



- Public meetings until April 1
- Online survey open until April 3
- Information Report on ward options - June
- Round 2 public engagement to get feedback on ward options - June to September
- Final report to Finance and Economic Development Committee and Council (expected November 2020)



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