

1. Many newcomers and marginalized folks, including Chinese seniors and families, use and frequent community centres to stay active and involved. Some community centres are located in neighbourhoods with high concentrations of the Chinese community such as the Kanata Recreation Centre, Richcraft Recreation Complex (Kanata), Minto Recreation Complex (Barrhaven), Walter Baker Sports Centre, Plant Recreation Centre, McNabb Community Centre and more. How will you ensure these community centres are accessible to those who do not speak or read the dominant languages, being English or French?

I come from a multicultural background and I am running for council to bring equal representation in council from diverse communities. Therefore, I will try my best to ensure community centres are accessible to everyone.

2. This fall, numerous bus routes were changed and shortened to encourage LRT transfers. The LRT has since been delayed to Winter of 2019. Shortened routes like that of the #11 that passes through Somerset St. West and the Chinatown area impact the Chinese community, including seniors, where additional transfers and shortages may affect their accessibility to and from destinations.

- a. What will you do to address these issues while the LRT is delayed and while the LRT is operating?

I will do thorough research once elected and will decide based on my findings. On council, I would like to look for ways to control the wasted money.

1. How will you engage customers whose dominant language is not English or French in public consultations regarding issues such as bus route changes, town halls and customer feedback?

I will bring a form of change to council meetings to provide more clarity.

2. What will you do to ensure that OC Transpo's services are more affordable and accessible for low-income folks?

I will try to make the fare for OC Transpo free for seniors.

3. Current Rideau Raceway casino ads are targeting the Chinese community in Ottawa with orientalist graphics and advertisements written entirely in Chinese characters. Gambling is a social activity ingrained in Chinese culture and is also a common problem within the community. How will you ensure that the community is not being unfairly targeted for gambling? What will you do to also challenge the stereotypes and racial bias that is prevalent in the city and that Chinese Canadians continue to face?

I will try to work with the Chinese community to help avoid this issue.

4. Post-amalgamation, the City of Ottawa has never had a Black, East or Southeast Asian councillor on city council. What will you do to ensure that marginalized groups have the same opportunity and chance to be involved in municipal politics as others do?

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5. Chinatown has been experiencing gentrification for years. Newer development is pushing out lower income families and local businesses, changing its landscape and affordability. Chinatown is not only a home to many, but a hub for those from the Chinese community living in other wards to come together to reconnect with food, family and history. How will you ensure that affordable housing and suitable businesses remain while retaining the history and heart of the neighbourhood?

The city of Ottawa has been extremely aggressive for affordable housing. I plan to work with the province and the mayor to improve and allow for further access to affordable housing. I am also a supporter of inclusionary zoning as a tool to improve the supply of affordable housing units in Ottawa.