

## **President's Report September 2021**

Greetings all, we hope this finds you well and dealing as you best can with the smoke conditions that have been with us most of the summer. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to those immediately impacted and to those battling the fires.

**Municipal election:** With the October 18<sup>th</sup> municipal election approaching, the SACA Board has been approached by a number of candidates wishing to meet with us. The Board is an apolitical, non-partisan organization that advocates for the community in whole on a variety of issues. Our policy directs us to refrain from endorsing individual politicians and we have thus determined it inappropriate to engage in one-off discussions with candidates.

However, we recognize value in having a community perspective available to interested parties regarding issues impacting our community. To that end, the Board has deemed it appropriate to develop a summary Community Perspective statement (the "Perspective") that would be available to anyone looking to engage with us. In line with our responsibilities as a Community Association Board, our exclusive focus on this exercise is the community of Scenic Acres.

We appreciate there may be many ideas out there and we cannot hope to represent every one of our residents. The SACA Board will therefore do our best to consider all feedback received by September 15<sup>th</sup> and publish a concise and meaningful Perspective summary by September 20<sup>th</sup>. The best way for us to compile this information is to hear from you, our Scenic Acres residents, with suggestions on municipal, Scenic Acres specific issues that may be included in the Perspective. We therefore ask you to structure your input as follows:

- **a one sentence statement identifying the municipal subject matter directly impacting Scenic Acres, followed by**
- **a two sentence statement identifying a potential recommended action.**

The SACA Board retains responsibility to consider the input received and formulate the Perspective, which will be available on our website. We will take care to make this a non-partisan, apolitical summary statement that would be helpful in our ongoing engagement with the City on the numerous issues that directly impact our community.

Please email your input, following the directions above, to [scenicboard@shaw.ca](mailto:scenicboard@shaw.ca)

**Indigenous Perspectives Learning Opportunity:** We continue to plan and discuss presentation options with our Indigenous partners for a learning opportunity around September 30<sup>th</sup> in Scenic Acres. This will be a means of assisting with reconciliation and personal endeavours to elevate awareness of Indigenous perspectives. Please register your interest at <https://www.jotform.com/scenicgm/eoi-indigenous-perspectives>

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