

**WHITEOAKS LORNE PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**7:00 p.m. Monday February 27, 2023  
Zoom Meeting**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome and Introduction**
  - a. Call to order
  - b. Quorum
  
- 2. Housekeeping**
  - c. Approval of Agenda
  - d. Approval of Minutes from prior year's AGM
  
- 2. 2021-2022 Year Recap and Financial Report**
  - a. Events and activities
  - b. Acknowledgements
  - c. 2023 Priorities
  
- 3. Election of Directors**
  - a. Retiring directors and call for new directors
  
- 4. Resolutions**
  
- 5. Members' Question Period**
  
- 6. AGM Closure and Adjournment**

**POST MEETING**

Guest Speakers, Councillor Alvin Tedjo and MPP Rudy Cuzzeto

Pre-Authorized Movers and Seconders:

- Lalli Marrato
- Yvette Dubajic

**WHITEOAKS LORNE PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
(the “Association”)**

**2021-2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**1. Welcome and Introduction:**

Good evening. On behalf of the Board of Directors of Whiteoaks Lorne Park Community Association, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the annual meeting of members. My name is Sarah Becker, Director of the Association and I’ll be presiding at this meeting. As we are meeting on Zoom, I request that you kindly keep yourselves on mute and use the chat function to comment or ask questions.

Before we begin, I’d like to take this opportunity to introduce the members of the Board of Directors who are here today: Sylvie Chicoine, Yvette Dubajic and Lalli Marrato.

With that introduction, I would now like to call this meeting to order.

In order that the meeting covers all the business for which it was convened within a reasonable timeframe, we have pre-arranged with certain persons attending this evening to make and second motions.

This procedure is not an attempt to discourage participation and there will be opportunity during the course of the meeting to ask questions.

Due to technology limitations, during motions, we’ll ask for those opposed instead of in favour and ask that anyone opposed let us know by taking yourself off mute when the time comes.

After the formal business is attended to and we have updated you as to the business and affairs of the Association, we will have an open question and answer period. We extend a warm welcome to our guest speakers, Ward 2 Councillor Alvin Tedjo and MPP Rudy Cuzzeto.

**2. Housekeeping:**

I’ll start with some housekeeping items:

Our By-laws require a notice of 21 days for our general meeting and this requirement was complied with. You should have received this package on February 7th .

Also, under our By-laws, a quorum for Association meetings is the lessor of 10% of the membership or 10 members. Based on this, the minimum to reach quorum is to have 10 members in attendance and between members present and proxies and we have reached quorum. This meeting is thus duly convened.

So you are aware, Yvette Dubajic will be acting as Secretary to the meeting and will be recording the meeting minutes.

A copy of the presentation, minus the financials, will be posted to our website within two weeks of this evening.

The Agenda for the meeting was circulated with the notice. We will aim for a closing time of no later than 8:30 p.m.

Are the agenda and the proposed time frame acceptable to the members?

**LALLI**        *I so move.*

**Yvette**        *I second the motion.*

**None opposed**

Motion carried.

Hearing no objections, the agenda and proposed timeline have been approved.

I remind members that, under our Bylaws, the only types of items that can be voted on at a membership meeting are the slate of directors and changes to By-laws and resolutions. All other items on the agenda are for discussion only, and no binding decisions on them can be made here.

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting were included in the notice to members and if there is no objection from the floor, the Minutes shall be taken as read.

**LALLI**        *I so move*

**Yvette**        *I second the motion.*

**None opposed.**

Motion carried.

### **3. Year in Review:**

2021-2022 Highlights:

- 12th Annual Pumpkin Parade
- 2021 Annual General Meeting
- 2nd Holly Jolly Santa Tour
- Housing Affordability Act

Highlight September-December 2022:

- Discussions with local candidates for Ward 2 Councillor
- Communications with membership regarding election and local candidates
- 13th Annual Pumpkin Parade
- 3rd Holly Jolly Santa Tour
- Membership increased 300% to over 400 members

Taking a closer look at our two events, first we produced and hosted the annual Pumpkin Parade at Whiteoaks Park on November 1.

Every year this event continues to grow and it has become a cornerstone event for the neighbourhood.

This past year marked our 13th year with the pumpkin parade.

We had over 500 pumpkins dropped off at Whiteoaks Park to adorn the trails and bring the event to life.

Of course it takes a lot of muscle power to move that many pumpkins! So we thank our incredible volunteers, many of whom are on this call tonight or have children at LPSS who earned volunteer hours that day – thank you to all who volunteered.

Lastly we saw RECORD attendance! And with that much attention comes some need to evolve the event, which we'll speak to shortly.

We don't normally look under the hood at what it takes to produce these events during this forum, but I do think it's worth sharing with all of you, our members.

All in, the cost to put on the event is just under \$800.

We typically do get the hot chocolate donated by our councillor in ward 2, and Pat Mullins' office made this donation to the event last year.

The city of Mississauga also generously provides the bin where all the pumpkins are tossed at the end of the night.

With those donations and the funds we're able to generate on site at the event, we just cover our expenses, with a bit left over to help us cover our administrative expenses.

The reason we highlight this tonight is because you'll see as part of our 2023 priorities that sponsorship is one of our top priorities for the year. We will be reaching out to local business to sponsor a local event in the hopes that this sponsorship can become annual, giving the association more assurance that the funds will be available.

If anyone would like to sponsor an event, or would like to participate in generating new sponsorships, please email us at [info@wlpca.ca](mailto:info@wlpca.ca).

Our holiday event in December bring Santa to Lorne Park.

You may recall the Holly Jolly Santa Tour started in 2020 at the height of lock down. The association wanted to bring some holiday cheer to the community and having Santa tour the area was the solution to having an event while ensuring social distancing.

The event is still in its infancy so it hasn't built up the same popularity as, say, the pumpkin parade, but the feedback to date has been really positive and so we feel like there is definitely appetite for a holiday event in the neighbourhood, and at the same time it's still early days enough so that we can evolve the format of the event somewhat. So stay tuned later in the year for more details on that.

We are so grateful to our generous sponsors who helped to put on this event. Matthew Regan and the Regan Team, Clement Lawn Care, who also supports us with the clean up at the Pumpkin Parade, Southdown Dental, and Le Delice.

Because we've had a surplus due to lower activity over the covid period, we've been able to float the costs of putting on the Holly Jolly Santa Tour. Looking to the future, we'll need to evolve this event to be more cost effective and adjust for the fact that people can now congregate together.

Of course we couldn't do this without the help and contribution of so many.

The Association wishes to thank:

- The City of Mississauga's Community Group Registry Program
- Mayor Bonnie Crombie and her staff
- Former Councillor Karen Ras and her staff
- Councillor Pat Mullin and her staff
- Councillor Alvin Tedjo and his staff
- MPP Rudy Cuzzetto and his staff
- The Compass Food Bank
- Sponsors of the Holly Jolly Santa Tour
- Our INCREDIBLE volunteers!!!
- All of you, our members and neighbours

### **Financial Statements:**

The next item of business is to present the Association's financial statements for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2022.

You'll notice our cash position has declined, however we've been carrying more cash over the past couple of years due to lower activity during Covid. We also did not receive any funding from production companies this past year, which is something that we have benefitted from in the past.

Another couple of things to note here is that with the shift last year away from paid membership of \$10 per year, we are not seeing that revenue stream however membership is up 300%, which will make event sponsorship more attractive to potential sponsors, more attendance at events, and in turn more cash donations over time.

### **NOTES:**

1. These notes form part of the financial statements.
2. Financial statements are not audited.
3. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles are followed.

4. As a member of the City of Mississauga Group Registry Program, WLPCA received no indirect financial for the current fiscal years as meeting rooms were not required.

I ask that the financial statements be moved to be approved as presented.

**LALLI**      *I so move*

**Yvette**      *I second the motion.*

**None opposed.**

Motion carried.

We'll now proceed with the election of directors.

**4. Election of Directors:**

Two (2) directors are to be re-elected at this meeting. Each of the following people has been nominated for the position of director of the Association to hold office for the ensuing year and each has agreed to serve as a director if elected.

We've introduced the Directors standing for re-election: Sylvie Chicoine and Lalli Marrato.

<b>RE-ELECTION</b>	<b>ELECTION</b>
Sylvie Chicoine	
Lalli Marrato	

Could I please have a motion from the floor to nominate such persons for election as directors of the Association to hold office for the ensuing year, so that the Board is not nominating themselves?

**Member**      *I so move.*

**Member**      *I second the motion.*

**None opposed.**

Motion carried.

As outlined in the meeting Notice, additional nominations may be submitted up to five (5) days prior to the meeting. No further nominations being submitted, the nominations are now closed. I declare those persons who have been nominated to be duly elected by acclamation as directors of the Association.

On behalf of the Association, I would like to thank the directors for agreeing to stand for election and for their efforts and contributions to the success of the Association.

We'd like to thank the following outstanding volunteers for their service to our Board of Directors: Yvette Dubajic, Sarah Becker, and Catherine Goulding. They have all played instrumental roles in guiding the direction of the association over the years with their insights and unique expertise.

Their contributions are so greatly appreciated and they will be missed. We wish them well in their new moves or endeavours within the community.

We are in need of new directors, people within the community who are willing to volunteer some time throughout the year to represent our community's interests and produce events that bring the community together.

There isn't a big time commitment and your involvement will ensure the longevity of the community association.

I encourage you to reach out to us to learn more: email us at [info@wlpca.ca](mailto:info@wlpca.ca)

The next item of business is our proposed resolution.

## **5. Resolutions:**

We have one (1) resolution to review, to ratify the motions made by the Board of Directors for the past year:

Be it resolved that: All acts, contracts, By-laws, proceedings, appointments, elections, and payments enacted, made, done, and taken by the Board of Directors since the last Annual General Meeting referred to on written resolutions of the Board are hereby approved and confirmed.

I ask Lalli Marrato to move a motion to ratify the motions made by the Board of Directors for the past year:



**LALLI**        *I so move.*

**Yvette**        *I second the motion.*

**None opposed.**

Motion carried.

**6.    Meeting Closure and Adjournment:**

We are happy to take questions from members, for which we have a few minutes. We'll open the mics for questions, or if you like, you can use the comment option. If you prefer to ask your question separately, please email us at [info@wlcpa.ca](mailto:info@wlcpa.ca).

If there is no further formal business, I ask for a motion to terminate this annual meeting of the members of the Whiteoaks Lorne Park Community Association, before we turn it over to Alvin and Rudy.

**LALLI**        *I so move*

**YVETTE**      *I second the motion*

**None opposed.**

Motion carried.

I therefore declare the formal part of this annual meeting of members terminated. On behalf of the Board, I thank you for attending this evening. We'd like to thank Councillor Alvin Tedjo and MPP Rudy Cuzzetto for joining us tonight. We've made a donation to the Compass Food Bank as a token of our appreciation and sincere thanks.