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PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER ORVILLE STATION DEVELOPMENT

On September 8, 2009, the City of Ottawa's Planning and Environment Committee will consider the proposed development of 36 residential units and ground floor retail at the intersection of Stittsville Main Street and Orville Street in Stittsville.

Councillor Shad Qadri, Councillor for Ward 6, Stittsville-Kanata West notes that this proposed development is the focus of a significant amount of attention in Stittsville.

The Committee of Adjustment approved fifteen minor variances that permit the proposed development at its meeting of June 26, 2009. Following the Committee of Adjustment's decision, the City Clerk and Solicitor's Department reviewed the proposed development and, based on that review, filed an appeal of that decision. In accordance with the normal process, this appeal will be brought forward to the Planning and Environment Committee for confirmation on September 8, 2009.

"The community of Stittsville supports intensification" stated Councillor Qadri. "However, what is not at all clear is whether aspects of this particular development is appropriate for this particular location. That is why the Planning and Environment Committee needs to review this decision and this development."

"The appeal process exists for a reason. It is the elected officials of the City of Ottawa that have the primary responsibility for ensuring proper planning takes place," added the Councillor. "All stakeholders, including the developer and members of the community, will have a chance to express their views directly to the elected officials charged with that responsibility before a final decision is made."

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