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OVERVIEW OF MY 2013-2016 ACHIEVEMENTS

DESCHÊNES COUNCILLOR

ROAD WORKS

- Resurfacing of McConnell Road, lengthening the cycling path and speed reduction measures: \$3.1M;
- Resurfacing Lucerne Boulevard and construction of a cycling path along both sides of the road: \$3M;
- Resurfacing of Vanier Road south of Lucerne Boulevard and urban landscaping with a cycling path: \$2.9M;
- Building missing sidewalks along Aylmer Road (ongoing or in planning stage): \$792,000.



By his initiative, Richard Bégin ensured \$583,900 of the Community Development Fund was used to redesign Vanier Road. The bike path is to be completed in the Spring of 2017.

DISCOLOURED WATER

- Councillor has been combating the discoloured water problem in the district;
- Councillor's contribution for laboratory testing of water in Lakeview Terrace: \$700;
- Plan to replace the aqueduct network along Vanier Road: \$820,000 (2017)*;
- Plan to replace the aqueduct network in Lakeview Terrace (Phase 1) and along Christophe-Colomb Street (2018): \$3M;*;
- Plan to replace the aqueduct network in Lakeview Terrace (Phase 2) (2019): \$4M.*

* These plans are slated to be approved by the municipal council on December 6, 2016.

PARKS AND TRAILS

- De la Croisée Park: \$205,000;
- Fruition of the Paul-Pelletier dog park: \$139,000;
- Belmont Park: \$119,000;
- School pathway, Robert-Stewart Park: \$80,000;
- Robert-Pilon recreational pathway (plans and estimates): \$60,000;
- St-Malo Park: \$29,770;
- Jean-de-la-Fontaine Park: \$30,000;
- Victor-Beaudry Park: \$15,000.

ENVIRONMENT

Boucher Forest, the west's lungs:

- Acquisition of 700 acres by the Ville de Gatineau: \$4 M;
- Contribution of \$2,500 and \$20,000 set aside by the councillor for the Boucher Forest Foundation;
- Ongoing negotiations of a memorandum of understanding with the Foundation.

TRANSIT AND TRAFFIC

- Pressure on the STO, in collaboration with the residents' associations to improve the new public transit system in the district and the western portion of the city;
- Considers the tramway as a favourable means of public transit in the future for the west.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE COUNCILLOR

- Residents' associations in the district: \$5,000;
- Schools, for the playgrounds at Cavaliers, Eardley and Euclide-Lanthier: \$7,300;
- Other organizations in Aylmer: \$26,000.



Last September, Richard Bégin participated in the inauguration of the playground structures at the des Cavaliers elementary school, along with students and dignitaries.

FURTHERMORE

- Information sessions about neighbourhood projects;
- Revision of the Faubourg du rivage residential project so as to protect Butternut trees, building a pedestrian pathway so as not to elongate du Faubourg Street to meet Vanier Road;
- Completion of the pathway between Lakeview Terrace and the Faubourg du rivage;
- Affordable housing in the district, 30 in Old Deschênes;
- Ongoing project to showcase the Deschênes Rapids;
- Adoption of a memorandum of understanding with the Groupe communautaire Deschênes and with the Corporation de l'âge d'or d'Aylmer.

REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE AYLMER SECTOR

- Councillor's pro-activity for the economic development of Aylmer, including the changes at the Galeries Aylmer (SAQ, Home Hardware, commercial and residential complex) and the commercial revitalization of Old Aylmer;
- Advocate for the Aylmer Heritage Square initiative;
- Advocate for the relocation of the Lucy-Paris library, as a true resource library;
- City representative with Aylmer Interclubs and Corporation de l'âge d'or d'Aylmer.

OTHER CITY FUNCTIONS

URBAN PLANNING

As chair of the Urban Planning Advisory Committee, the councillor's role has been central in:

- Engaging in a change of culture within the Urban Planning Department with a focus on customer approach and on serving residents;
- Putting public notices in a simplified language and publishing them online fifteen days prior to municipal council meetings.

ECONOMY

Key player in economic development:

- Member of the Advisory Committee tasked with thinking through the new structure of Gatineau's economic development initiative;
- Member of the Board of Directors for ID Gatineau, the organization mandated to support and accompany businesses;
- Member of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee of Développement économique-CLD Gatineau;
- Member of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee of Tourisme Outaouais.

SENIORS

- Chair of the Commission on seniors;
- City representative at the *Table de concertation des aînés et retraités de l'Outaouais*.



Last September, Richard Bégin, along with other dignitaries, inaugurated the restored British Hotel. In 1993, he had published a history book on the establishment.



Richard M. Bégin

Councillor for Deschênes

AWARDS

- Dollard-Morin Award in Leisure and Sports 2016, national category in leisure;
- "Politician of the year" and "Local hero or activist of the year" awards in the *Bulletin d'Aylmer's* Best of Aylmer 2015.



Richard Bégin received the Dollard-Morin Award in Leisure and Sports (national category in leisure) at the Quebec National Assembly, November 16, for his contribution to heritage. Pictured is Mr Bégin with the Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports, Sébastien Proulx. Photo: François Bérubé



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