

Response from Trevor Robinson

Good Evening Hollaback! Ottawa Team,

Thank-you for your e-mail. My apologies for not responding sooner, as I do not have a large campaign team to write responses for me, it takes much longer to respond.

As I have previously stated in information requests as well as in social and mainstream media, I am not going to be making campaign promises, false or otherwise, simply to acquire votes. My goal, if honoured to be elected, is to do my part to make Bay Ward and the City of Ottawa a better place and in turn a safer place, simply put.

The above being said, no one should have to constantly watch over their shoulder while they are walking, be it here in Bay Ward, or anywhere else in the City of Ottawa. I say this for everyone, regardless of race, gender, orientation, physical attributes, etc. as in the end, we are all the same, we are all human.

I believe that as a city we constantly need to work with our partners, our stakeholders and our residents in order to keep our city safe. There is never a blanket fix for every problem and even if there were, situations change requiring a different approach.

I have already raised the issue publicly regarding the issue of the city not cutting the grass near pathways and sidewalks in Bay Ward. Though it may seem trivial to some (*I personally didn't appreciate seeing retired residents in their 70's & 80's cutting the city's grass - they should be able to enjoy retirement, not do the city's job*), when the grass is allowed to grow to be a few feet tall, that becomes a safety hazard. I am happy to have seen city crews out cutting the areas in question therefore making it a bit safer and also better for those suffering from allergies as well. To clarify, a woman's body was dumped a few years ago near the same areas where I had raised the issue with the city not cutting the grass.

Regardless of who you may choose to vote for, I do hope that you will take the time to vote during these municipal elections.

Have a good weekend,

Trevor