

<b>WARD 24: Barrhaven East</b>		<b>Kathleen Caught</b>	
<b>Municipal Election Priorities</b>	<b>Campaign Asks</b>	<b>If elected, would you commit to working towards this item? (yes/no)</b>	<b>Rationale for response (optional)</b>
<b>Improving Our Democracy</b>	That the City ensure section 6.1 is enforced (Province of Ontario, Municipal Elections Act) where polls are advised to be present "in buildings containing 100 or more dwelling units". We would like to see the City of Ottawa pass a policy reflecting access to voting.	YES	Many board of directors are not supportive
	Ensure polling stations open from at least 10am-8pm.	YES	
	The city should bring back door to door to find eligible voters.	YES	
	Ban developer lobbyist donations to city councillors	YES	
	Split the Planning Committee into separate urban-core and suburban committees similar to Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committee	YES	
<b>Build Affordable Housing</b>	ACORN wants to see a strong Inclusionary Zoning policy with 25-35% affordable rental housing targeting those in core housing need, citywide in perpetuity.	YES	Seniors needs included
	Convert empty office buildings to non-market affordable housing	YES	
	Any developments getting municipal public funds must have rent control on all units (not just the affordable units). This is in addition to Vacancy Control on all units - so when the tenant leaves, the landlords can't double the rent.	YES	This is out of hand gouging is ridiculous
	Reserve public land for affordable housing	N/A	Not sure about this
<b>Fund Affordable Housing</b>	We are calling on the City of Ottawa to dedicate \$40 million to building affordable, non-market housing to match its budget for emergency shelters.	N/A	Not sure about this, need to research
	5% Vacant Unit Tax with revenues funding affordable housing projects	YES	
	Tax all luxury homes- increase property taxes on houses worth more than 2 million.	YES	
<b>Protect Affordable Housing</b>	We need the City to enact an Anti Displacement Policy to protect affordable housing and stop tenants from being priced out of their neighbourhoods.	YES	ODSP and those suffering mental health
	Ottawa needs an Anti-Renoviction Bylaw similar to New Westminster, BC's where the bylaw effectively ended renovictions.	YES	
	No public funds, or permit approvals, to predatory landlords.	N/A	Need to research
	The City should expand its existing programs to introduce a Rent Bank like other Ontario cities.	N/A	Dont know about this. Need more details.

	Explore a Non-Profit Acquisition Strategy that would give non-profit & social housing providers, co-ops and land trusts the right of first refusal to purchase at risk apartment buildings on the private market similar to Montreal.	YES	
<b>Tenant Engagement</b>	Ottawa ACORN is calling for a proactive education program to inform tenants about their rights/resources when there are signs of potential renovations/demovictions.	YES	Absolutely
	We want to see a public registry of tenant buyouts, building permits, home and rental building sales	YES	
	We want to see Ottawa follow the lead of cities like Toronto and Hamilton by creating a Tenant Defense Fund that would allow tenant groups to apply for funding for legal assistance when challenging renovations, AGIs or when submitting tenant applications to the LTB.	YES	Agree
<b>Healthy Homes</b>	Enforcement mechanisms of property standards at the municipal level need to be improved. There should be more severe consequences for negligent landlords. We need Landlord Licensing, similar to Toronto, which would include a landlord registry, proactive inspections, increased enforcement and better standards of repair.	YES	Agree
	More funding in the city budget for repairs and maintenance in Ottawa Community Housing	YES	
<b>Infrastructure and Employment</b>	The City should support community organizations advocating for Community Benefits Agreements during development projects.	N/A	
	The City of Ottawa should create an Ethical Purchasing Strategy that protects workers' wages and benefits and avoids contract flipping. All employees working on city grounds should be paid a living wage.	N/A	Need more information
<b>Internet for All</b>	The City should leverage its own assets to create a municipal broadband program that can provide \$10-30/month home internet to low and moderate income households similar to Toronto's ConnectTO program.	YES	
	Expansion of programs that offer free or subsidized devices to low income people	YES	But through corporate sponsorship
	Provide FREE public wifi in all public spaces such as bus shelters, parks, community centres and more	YES	
<b>Community Services</b>	Prioritize city funding for youth services, street lighting, mental health supports, addiction supports, sidewalks and traffic controls in underserved, often low income & working class communities	YES	Agree plus ass all year greenhouses at public housing, schools, and retirement housing.
	Support ACORN's national campaign to end predatory lending by calling on the Federal Government to support alternatives to payday and installment loans, lower the criminal interest rate and more.	N/A	Need more details

<b>Childcare</b>	We need funding for affordable public/non-profit daycare spaces to be prioritized in lower income neighborhoods and communities	YES	
	Parents need easier access to information in order to understand Ontario's patchwork childcare system. We need transparency and accountability to parents through a simplified online process and face to face assistance when applying for subsidies.	YES	
	Expanded programming for parents who work non-standard hours (ie. shift work, overnights).	YES	24 Hour childcare
<b>Affordable &amp; Reliable Transit</b>	We believe transit should be free, starting with those living on social assistance.	YES	More detail when we know finances
	Presto passes should be free for anyone under the low income measure, and there should be no minimum payment to upload Presto passes for people under the low income measure.	YES	
	Increase bus service in underserved neighbourhoods.	YES	as long as we have financial review in 1st 100 days
<b>Climate Change</b>	Retrofitting Canada's aging highrise communities from a tenant led perspective is an important step in reducing Energy Poverty. Ottawa needs an Energy Equity Program that targets the lowest-income and least Energy efficient private apartment buildings across the city.	YES	
	Financial support for low and moderate income households impacted by natural disasters	YES	
	Ensure low and moderate income renter communities have access to green space	YES	