



**City of Kingston  
Report to Council  
Report Number 24-204**

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**To:** Mayor and Members of Council  
**From:** Jennifer Campbell, Commissioner, Community Services  
**Resource Staff:** Jayne Hartley, Director, Housing & Social Services  
**Date of Meeting:** October 15, 2024  
**Subject:** Operational and Capital Plans for 309 Queen Mary Road

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**Council Strategic Plan Alignment:**

Theme: 1. Support Housing Affordability

Goal: 1.4 Improve service to unhoused and precariously housed.

**Executive Summary:**

The agreement of purchase and sale by the City for the property at 309 Queen Mary Road was accepted in December 2023. The property was purchased with the intent of creating opportunities for transitional/supportive affordable housing. In the time since, staff have worked with community agencies, health teams and housing operators to develop an operations model for the site that advances Council's 2023-2026 Strategic Priorities including: investing in affordable and supportive housing, increasing access to healthcare professionals and services and fostering a caring and inclusive community. While developing the proposed operations model, City staff attended three community-organized and one City-led public meeting(s) where feedback was received on the operations plan and proposed uses for 309 Queen Mary Road.

Staff additionally worked with the Grenville Park Co-operative Housing Association Limited (the Association) to settle certain issues related to the historic restrictive covenant registered on title to the property known as 309 Queen Mary Road. On May 22, 2024, the City of Kingston signed a restrictive covenant with the Association that prohibits the use of the property as a(n) consumption treatment (safe injection) site, emergency shelter or as an Integrated Care Hub. The restrictive covenant also commits to the establishment of a community consultation committee. The committee will include representatives from the Association, the City, the surrounding community and the future facility operators (now understood to be Kingston

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Community Health Centres, Home Base Housing and Lionhearts Inc.) to ensure continued connection and dialogue between all parties.

A City-led public meeting was held on September 23, 2024. City staff were joined at the meeting by project partners who shared information and answered questions about the project and the operational plan for 309 Queen Mary Road.

As further outlined in the body of this report, the Queen Mary Road project is best described as a shared care model. Through provision of on-site services, the project aims to promote wellness and social inclusion, to support the individual needs of transitional housing residents alongside the primary health needs of community members and to offer community use and programming space.

The proposed project offers a transitional housing program, operated by Home Base Housing, to support up to 35 individuals who are 55+ years old, alongside a primary health care clinic called Midtown Kingston Health Home operated by Kingston Community Health Centres, and community use space(s) whose operations will be overseen by Lionhearts Inc. as part of a vocational training program.

It is anticipated the City will take possession of the building in January 2025. Construction will begin immediately and proceed into the spring and summer months. Pending the completion of construction, it is anticipated operations at the site will begin early to mid-year 2026.

The purpose of this report is to recommend a proposed operations plan for the Queen Mary Road property as well as to recommend a capital financing plan to allow the project to move forward.

**Recommendation:**

**That** Council endorse the operations plan for 309 Queen Mary Road that includes space for a medical clinic, transitional housing units and community space; and

**That** Council approve a capital renovation budget of up to \$9,430,000 to convert space at 309 Queen Mary Road to accommodate a medical clinic space, transitional housing units and community space to be funded as follows:

- \$2,850,000 from the approved capital affordable housing budget;
- \$1,200,000 from the Housing & Homelessness Reserve;
- \$750,000 from the Human Services Reserve;
- \$630,000 from the Municipal Capital Reserve Fund;
- \$450,000 from the Midtown Kingston Health Home capital contribution;
- \$3,550,000 from a loan to be repaid through the Midtown Kingston Health Home lease; and

**That** Council direct staff to finalize the operations and lease agreements associated with the transitional housing and community use/space operations at 309 Queen Mary Road as

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proposed in this report and to return to Council in the first half of 2025 with updates on these agreements and associated financial recommendations; and

**That** Council approve one-time bridge funding of \$632,545 to Home Base Housing to be funded from the Working Fund Reserve to support the retention of staff until the opening of the transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Road; and

**That** Council authorizes the Commissioner of Community Services or their designate to review, approve and execute the bridge funding agreement with Home Base Housing in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services; and

**That** Council authorizes the City Treasurer or their designate to review and approve the terms of the loan and lease agreement with Kingston Community Health Centres related to the Midtown Kingston Health Home primary care clinic at 309 Queen Mary Road; and

**That** Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all necessary agreements and other documents that may be required related to the funding allocations, service delivery, construction and all required approvals in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services.

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**Authorizing Signatures:**

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**Jennifer Campbell,**  
**Commissioner, Community**  
**Services**

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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**Lanie Hurdle, Chief**  
**Administrative Officer**

**Consultation with the following Members of the Corporate Management Team:**

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Neil Carbone, Commissioner, Corporate Services

David Fell, President & CEO, Utilities Kingston Not required

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Brad Joyce, Commissioner, Infrastructure, Transportation  
& Emergency Services Not required

Desirée Kennedy, Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer

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**Options/Discussion:****Background**

In December 2023, the City entered into a purchase and sale agreement with Extendicare Inc. to acquire 309 Queen Mary Road for a purchase price of \$3,800,000. The closing date was initially intended for September 2024, but Extendicare requested to amend the closing to January 2025 as the new long term care facility located in the west end will not be ready for occupancy until that time. Based on this delayed closing date, the City was able to negotiate a reduction in the purchase price of \$150,000 for a new price of \$3,650,000.

The City is purchasing the property with the intent of incorporating transitional/supportive/affordable housing into the site, as the existing building layout and in-place zoning provided opportunities for congregate living alongside health care services. The City previously purchased a similar but smaller building at 805 Ridley Street which was subsequently adapted to provide transitional/supportive housing for women.

Following the acceptance of the City's offer to purchase the property, between February and May of 2024, City staff were invited to attend three community-led public meetings. One was a townhall style meeting organized by the Grenville Park Co-operative Housing Association Limited, and the other two were organized by near-neighbours who had concerns about the proposed potential uses of the site. From February 8<sup>th</sup> to September 20<sup>th</sup>, pre-engagement feedback was open on Get Involved Kingston.

Community feedback received at these community meetings, as well as through the City's Get Involved Kingston platform and the City-led public meeting are highlighted in the Public Engagement Section of this report.

On May 22, 2024, the City of Kingston signed an agreement with the Grenville Park Co-operative Housing Association Limited (the Association) and entered into a new restrictive covenant for 309 Queen Mary Road. By entering into this new agreement, the Association agreed to remove the previous covenant on the property which was established when the Association first sold the property in 1974. The new agreement was formalized at the May 21, 2024, meeting of Kingston City Council.

This agreement prohibits the use of the property as a consumption treatment (safe injection) site, emergency shelter, a place for the sleeping cabins or as an Integrated Care Hub. The agreement also commits to the establishment of a community consultation committee. The committee will include representatives from the Association, the City, the surrounding community, and the facility operators, to ensure continued connection and dialogue between all parties. The membership of the community consultation committee will be further defined closer to the implementation of operations at the site.

On June 18, 2024, Council considered a motion that would have made 309 Queen Mary Road a health care only facility. Council voted against this plan and City staff continued to work to

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develop plans for the site that included transitional housing, health care and community use space(s).

Creating synergies between the various proposed uses within the space provides opportunities for both residents of the transitional housing program and members of the community to access programs and services. To create an appropriate model of service, staff facilitated many discussions with local health partners, community service providers and agencies to better understand the existing programs operating within the community and to fully discuss local needs and operational challenges. Exhibit A provides a list of service providers/agencies/organizations that have participated in planning discussions with staff and have been identified as interested partners in contributing to-services that could be delivered at the site.

In these planning sessions, a common theme quickly emerged with a call to focus on creating a shared care model for the operations at the site. Shared care models are already in place within the Kingston community, through the model of health services offered at the Kingston Community Health Centre on Weller Avenue and at One Roof Youth Hub (led by Home Base Housing) on Albert Street. As an integrated services model, shared care aims to create a systems approach to support residents living in the transitional housing program. The vision/mission for the Queen Mary Road project is to create an integrated model of primary health care, transitional housing and community-based programming committed to the social determinants of health. Through the provision of a mix of on-site services and programming, the project aims to promote wellness and social inclusion, support the individual needs of transitional housing residents alongside the primary health needs of community members and offer community use and programming space. The shared care model has three pillars: Transitional Supportive Housing, Primary Health Care Clinic and Community Use/Programming Space – these are reviewed in the sections that follow.

### **Transitional Supportive Housing**

When considering the Housing Continuum (Exhibit B), transitional housing is not at the same level as emergency housing responses. Emergency housing responses include homelessness prevention and diversion services, emergency shelters, street outreach programs and daytime services. Transitional and supportive housing focus on housing first and the rapid rehousing of those facing homelessness. This form of housing provides a physical environment that is specifically designed to be safe, secure, enabling and home-like, with support services such as social services, life skill supports, housekeeping, and social and recreational activities, to maximize residents' independence, privacy, and dignity (CMHC, 2018). In addition to offering housing, transitional housing operators are responsible for coordinating partnerships to offer on-site support and health care services to be delivered to residents by community partners. This can include the provision of therapeutic client services to support individuals with their physical and mental health needs, to assist them in embracing their full potential and attend broadly to their social determinants of health. These support services create opportunities for community integration to promote social inclusion and reduce isolation. The City currently funds operations and/or provides monthly rent subsidies to several transitional/supportive housing providers within the Kingston community. A few examples are:

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Tipi Moza (Iron Homes) is an Indigenous focused transitional housing program which provides programming and life skills development. There are 19 independent rooms with private washrooms in a shared building, with 24/7 on-site staffing.

Dawn House for Women offers transitional/supportive housing units for women and children with supports that are focused on life skills, wellness, outreach and various social skills programming. At their west end location, there are 12 self-contained units, which include washrooms and kitchenettes, with various levels of on-site staffing. Construction is underway to add an additional 17 units at this location.

While these programs offer many services to support individual's needs, many housing providers have shared they are currently supporting individuals in their programs who require additional health services to meet their mental and physical well-being needs. These operators strive to provide extensive case management and goal-based planning; however, individuals within these housing programs have medical needs that exceed staff capacity and expertise and/or require access to accessible and barrier free spaces.

In addition, and due to the level of need within the community, there are waitlists to enter transitional and supportive housing programs, and it has never been more pressing to ensure there are transitional programs that are matched to the unique needs of those who require an additional level of support. Homeless Individuals and Families Information System (HIFIS) indicate that there are currently 633 individuals on the By Names List (BNL) and 112 (18%) of these individuals identify as aged 55+. Ensuring that individuals can be placed in appropriate programs and settings creates a pathway to succeed and move along the housing continuum. Movement opens availability for others, which reduces bottle necks along the continuum.

The proposed plan for 309 Queen Mary Road will allow individuals who are 55+ with various levels of health care needs to enter a transitional housing program and receive the supports and wrap around services they need to succeed in moving toward independent living.

The proposed operator of the transitional housing program at 309 Queen Mary Road is Home Base Housing, a reputable and well-established agency that has operated housing programs in the Kingston community since 1986. During these 38 years, Home Base Housing has demonstrated an excellent track record in developing new housing-related initiatives and has a solid reputation of working with other agencies and community organizations to address client needs. Home Base currently operates 96 units in their Adult Supportive Housing program across 14 Kingston locations. It is also the lead organization of One Roof, as noted earlier in this report, which operates under a shared care model with wrap around services supporting youth in the community.

The transitional housing program planned for 309 Queen Mary Road will include 24/7 on site staff support with a program focused on goal-based case management:

- Case management support to develop individual goals created through a series of evidence-based assessments, using the following tools to evaluate clients and create a collaborative and well monitored client centered therapeutic care plan.

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- Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (SPDAT) is an assessment tool used to prioritize client needs. An assessment will be completed before moving in, within 24-48 hours post move in, 90 days post move in, six months post move in and one year post move in. If a resident is still within the program another SPDAT is completed every six months.
- Brief Risk Assessments are completed upon move in to ensure a rapid assessment of immediate needs.
- Quality of Life Surveys are completed within 24 hours of move in and then again 30 days after moving in and again 90 days after move in.
- All Transitional Housing programs require residents to have individual goals and pay rent geared to their income.

In addition to the various programs and activities offered through Home Base Housing, all residents will have access to additional on-site community programs and will be supported with health care services, if needed, through Midtown Kingston Health Home. Through additional relationships with local service providers and the broader health sector (including speciality clinics and referral/discharge supports from Kingston Health Science Centre) the transitional housing program will benefit from an on-site and integrated service delivery model with defined program referral processes, integrated assessments of resident needs, and discharge/program graduation planning. The level of resident support offered through a shared care model is creating the best opportunity for an individual to thrive and move toward independent housing.

### **Primary Health Care Clinic**

Kingston, like many communities, is experiencing a demographic shift with a growing aging population, compounded by a significant shortage of physicians and other primary care providers. The property at 309 Queen Mary Road offers an opportunity to co-locate a primary care clinic with a transitional housing program as well as community use and programming space(s). The health care clinic operates under the periwinkle model where an interprofessional primary care team provides health services to area residents.

The proposed primary care clinic at 309 Queen Mary Road will be operated by Kingston Community Health Centres with funding from Ontario Health. The Midtown Kingston Health Home provides critical access to care for thousands of people within the community and is taking on approximately 8,000 unattached patients. The 30 person team consists of Nurse Practitioners, Physicians, Medical Secretaries, registered Practical Nurses, a Certified Diabetes Educator, Registered Nurse, Practical Assistance Worker, and Social Work/Mental Health Counselors. In early 2025, students, nurse practitioners and medical residents from Queen's University will also begin supporting patient care at the Health Home as part of their interprofessional educational experiences.

The Health Home is currently operating out of 791 Princess Street under a one-year lease. The Health Home will transition to 309 Queen Mary Road once renovations are completed at the site - this is anticipated to be early to mid-year 2026. Community members can learn more about the Health Home through the Kingston Community Health Centres website that also hosts the



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appointment booking links: <https://kchc.ca/locations/midtown-kingston-health-home/>. New clients are rostered from Health Care Connect based on geography.

### **Community Use Space(s) and Programming**

Community programming can play an important role in fostering connection and inclusion to support individuals' well-being and create a sense of community. The proposed plan for 309 Queen Mary Road includes public programming, room bookings and space rentals out of the Community Space portion of the site (Exhibit D). The community spaces include two large multi-purpose rooms as well as some smaller meeting/programming rooms. On the whole, these rooms provide an opportunity to offer programming and services to residents living in the transitional housing program, as well as the community at large.

Staff have been connecting with various community partners who have identified interest (Exhibit A) in utilizing these community use and programming spaces to offer various levels of social and recreational programs and services. Staff envision there will be opportunities to expand the list of potential partners as new needs are identified by the residents and community members. It is also possible that additional health services, clinics and referral supports could operate out of these spaces in the future as a further expansion of the shared care model guiding operational planning for the site.

In addition to the large community spaces and rooms described above, the building offers a large commercial kitchen and laundry facilities. These spaces are outside the residential and primary care clinic portions of the site and will be accessible via a separate entrance. The proposed plan for these aspects of the building is to offer a vocational laundry program, community nutrition program, social Enterprise catering and vocational culinary training all operated and overseen by Lionhearts Inc.

Lionhearts has been providing services in the Kingston Community since 2014. Vocational training programs provide opportunities to individuals experiencing barriers to gain meaningful employment through skill development in areas such as culinary programs, property management and laundry services. Lionhearts currently operates a vocational laundry program out of 218 Concession Street, with ten individuals currently receiving training. Through this vocational laundry program, Lionhearts provides full linen service to several shelters in the community at rates lower than those offered through private laundry services. Through their current Community Nutrition Program, Lionhearts prepares and delivers close to 3,000 meals each week to local food-providing agencies, shelters, regional food banks and community-based programs. It is important to note the culinary training and nutrition program at the Queen Mary Road site will not function as a community food kitchen at this location.

In addition to the culinary and laundry programs, Lionhearts will provide oversight to the community use/programming spaces – including management of the bookings, user group coordination and scheduling as well as site set-up and custodial support. This support will offer vocational program participants to again develop meaningful employment skills.

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The City currently works in partnership with Lionhearts on various community service programs, including a similar working relationship at the Concession Street Warming Centre where Lionhearts acts as the facility manager, while Home Base Housing operates the emergency shelter. This working relationship has proven to be a successful partnership and will be modeled at Queen Mary Road.

### **Facility Renovations and Sitework**

The City's Facilities Management & Construction Services team will lead the renovation phase of the Queen Mary Road project. Renovations are scheduled to begin as soon as possible after closing on the property (January 2025) and once any required building approvals are in place. The work will begin with a focus on the transitional housing and primary care clinic as the initial priorities, followed by the commercial kitchen, laundry and community use space(s).

To create a warm and inviting space, renovations for the transitional housing portion of Queen Mary Road will consist of a refresh of all 29 independent units, four of which will have double occupancy. The space will be fully accessible, and work includes the addition of air conditioning, new electrical components, and interior painting. Of the 29 units, four units will be renovated to ensure they meet Canadian Accessibility Standards to provide barrier free living. Each of the units will come furnished and will include a two-piece bathroom, and small fridge.

Communal spaces for the transitional housing residents will also be refreshed to include a residential style kitchen, residential style laundry facilities and showers. These amenities allow residents to work on life skill development while ensuring independence and respecting peoples' autonomy and dignity. The kitchen will include two large islands, two double sinks, two fridges and stoves and generous freezer storage. In addition, improvements will be made to the residential shower spaces. The laundry facilities on site will be upgraded to provide four washers and dryers. Upgrades will also be made to the fire and life safety systems.

Dedicated staff and community partner space(s) will be improved. A refresh of the staff and employee break room includes a new coat of paint, new countertop and sink. In addition, two meeting spaces will be created for transitional housing employees and community partners to attend the site and meet privately with residents to discuss their goal planning and case management.

The exterior space includes an outdoor patio sitting area and ample space for future community gardens. Dedicated and separate entrances and exits will be outfitted with access controls that ensure safety and security for transitional housing residents.

Renovations will be completed to accommodate the new Midtown Kingston Health Home which includes a dedicated separate entrance for patients with a reception area. Major renovations to the space include upgrades to the HVAC system and patient rooms.

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**Address Change**

Upon taking ownership of the property, the City is looking to change the existing address of 309 Queen Mary Road. This decision is in response to feedback received from the residents at 39 Queen Mary Road. The similarity in numbering between the two properties has caused confusion for navigation, mailing and emergency services.

If vehicular access to the property remains the same, the property would maintain a Queen Mary Road address. The timing of the change will occur upon final sale of the property (January 2025) to minimize the impact on Extencicare while ensuring clarity for the new facility. The City will ensure the new address complies with "Civic Addressing and Road Naming" By-Law Number 2005-98, which allows for address reassignment under the authority delegated to the Director of Planning Services.

There should be no impact to site servicing as the City adheres to an established process of notifying partner agencies such as Canada Post and Utilities Kingston. There are no financial implications to this change.

**Parking Needs**

Over the course of public consultation on this project, community members have raised concerns about the parking capacity of the site. At present, there are 38 parking spaces within the parking lots on the property, two of them being accessible. An additional 18 on-street spaces are available along the east side of Queen Mary Road. Ameliorating the potential parking pressure is the ready access to Kingston Transit via busing along Bath Road and the staggered nature of clinic appointments and community use bookings. Moving forward, staff will continue to model the parking volumes anticipated at the site and will explore opportunities for parking coordination with businesses in the surrounding area.

**Financial Considerations**

The City entered into a purchase and sale agreement with Extencicare Inc. to acquire 309 Queen Mary Road for a purchase price of \$3,800,000 with the intent to close on the property in September of 2024. When Extencicare requested an extension of this closing date to January 2025 the agreed upon purchase price was reduced by \$150,000 resulting in the final purchase price of \$3,650,000.

**Capital Renovations**

The total gross estimated capital budget for the site's renovation and conversion to provide primary health care, transitional housing and community use space is \$9,430,000. Including the cost to purchase the property, the total project cost is anticipated to be \$13,080,000. The primary care renovations will be covered by an initial investment of \$450,000 from Midtown Kingston Health Home combined with a \$3,550,000 loan through the City to be repaid over the 25-year lease term. Removing the Health Home capital contribution and loan from the City costing, the total project cost to the City is anticipated to be \$9,080,000 to be funded through the

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Affordable Housing Capital budget and aligned reserves and reserve funds. This project does not involve the City issuing new debt.

The breakdown of these capital costs into service areas and proposed fund sources are detailed in Table 1 below.

**Table 1: Capital Costs by Services Area and Proposed Financing Source**

Service Area	Expense	Funding Source
Property Acquisition	\$3,650,000	Affordable Housing Capital Budget
Midtown Kingston Health Home Renovations	\$4,000,000	Initial Investment of \$450,000 from Midtown Primary Care Clinic and then a \$3,550,000 loan through the City to be repaid over the 25-year lease term with the Clinic
Transitional Housing Renovations	\$2,660,000	Affordable Housing Capital Budget, the Homelessness Reserve, the Human Services Reserve and the Municipal Capital Reserve Fund
Transitional Housing Furniture and Equipment	\$400,000	Affordable Housing Capital Budget, the Homelessness Reserve, the Human Services Reserve and the Municipal Capital Reserve Fund
Soft Costs and Asset Management	\$2,370,000	Affordable Housing Capital Budget, the Homelessness Reserve, the Human Services Reserve and the Municipal Capital Reserve Fund
Total Project Cost (purchase and all renovations)	<b>\$13,080,000</b>	Noted above
Total Cost to the City (excluding health clinic loan)	<b>\$9,080,000</b>	Noted above

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Table 2 breaks down the total project funding from the various reserves, reserve funds and approved capital budgets.

**Table 2: Renovation Budget Break down by Fund Source**

Budget	Fund Source
\$2,850,000	Affordable Housing Capital Budget
\$1,200,000	Housing and Homelessness Reserve
\$750,000	Human Services Reserve
\$630,000	Municipal Capital Reserve Fund
\$3,550,000	Loan to be repaid through the Midtown Kingston Health Home lease
\$450,000	Midtown Kingston Health Home capital contribution

**Operating Costs**

Staff are requesting Council direction through this report to continue to finalize details of the proposed operations and lease agreements associated with the transitional housing and community use/programing operations at 309 Queen Mary Road. Staff will return to Council in the first half of 2025 with updates on these agreements and with the finalized operating costs and recommended funding sources. Costs associated with these agreements will also be included in the development of the 2025 City operating budget in accordance with the Mayor’s budget direction.

**Primary Health Care Clinic**

There is no cost to the City for the on-going operation of the primary care clinic. Midtown Kingston Health Home is currently leasing space at 791 Princess Street as an interim site. The current lease is for one year which provides time for the City to complete the necessary renovations at 309 Queen Mary Road. The Clinic’s lease at 309 Queen Mary Road will be \$270,000 per year all inclusive. This lease amount is based on the provincial funding allocation to the Midtown Kingston Health Home. It is anticipated there will be a fee escalation over the 25-year period, but those details have not yet been determined.

It is anticipated that \$160,000 of the \$270,000 annual lease will be applied to the \$3,550,000 renovation loan issued by the City to the Midtown Kingston Health Home. The interest rate on the loan will be 0.92% which will see a repayment of the \$4,000,000 loan, including \$450,000 in interest, over the 25-year period. Based on the loan and lease payment, there will be \$110,000

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of the \$270,000 redirected to support yearly operational costs such as utilities and property maintenance.

Additional operating expenses associated with the staffing, services and resources required by the Health Home will be the Health Home's responsibility.

### **Transitional Housing**

Costs to operate the transitional housing component will be covered by Housing & Social Services annual operating budget and supported with funding from upper levels of government. The City annually receives approximately \$8,000,000 from the provincially funded Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) that allows the City, as the regional service manager, to provide affordable housing and support services to people at risk of experiencing homelessness. It is anticipated the operations agreement with Home Base Housing will be supported from HPP funding – this is the case for many transitional/supportive and emergency housing agreements funded by the City as the regional service manager. Staff will work with Home Base Housing to develop an initial three-year operations agreement with the option to renew. It is important to note that transitional housing residents are required to pay rent, and this rent is used to offset housing related operating costs.

Separate from, but aligned with the Operations Agreement, the City will enter a lease agreement with Home Base Housing for \$1 annually over a defined service term. Under the terms of the lease agreement, operating expenses such as utilities and facilities management will be covered through a shared services agreement with the City. The City has found cost efficiencies through the centralization of facility maintenance and utilities for many City-owned properties. For these City-owned and lease holder operated properties, the cost of facility maintenance and utilities are included within the operating budget of the City.

### **Bridge Funding**

As of the writing of this report, Home Base Housing, among its many housing and homelessness programs, currently operates the 25-bed shelter at 218 Concession Street. The operations of this site are set to wind-down when the new stabilization centre to be operated by Addiction and Mental Health Services opens at the end of the year. The retention of skilled staff is a challenge across shelter and housing operators in the community. The management team at Home Base Housing has raised concerns to City staff that in the window between the closure of 218 Concession Street (by year end 2024) and the opening of the transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Road (anticipated winter 2025/2026) they will not be able to retain their existing skilled staff and may have trouble recruiting and training new staff. To mitigate this risk and to derive community advantage over 2025, staff are recommending that Council agree to provide one-time bridge funding of \$632,545 to Home Base Housing from the Working Fund Reserve to support the retention of staff until the opening of Queen Mary Road. This funding will allow Home Base Housing to provide needed transitional supports to other sites and agencies following the wind-down of 218 Concession Street and heading into the opening of transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Road. These transitional supports will include expanded capacity

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on Home Base's Prevention & Diversion team, Housing First Caseworkers and Emergency shelter supports.

### **Community Use/Programming Space Operations**

Similar to the cost of operating transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Road, the cost of overseeing and operating the community use/programming space will be covered through the Housing & Social Services annual operating budget and supported with funding from upper levels of government where appropriate. The community space will require staffing oversight and supports to room scheduling, set-up and custodial maintenance. At this time, staff are working with Lionhearts Inc. to develop an initial three-year operations agreement relative to the community use space with an option to renew. It is expected that the terms and conditions of the agreement would provide an annual operating budget of approximately \$55,000 to Lionhearts Inc. to provide these services. It is important to note that rental and booking fees will be developed for the community use/programming spaces and that any revenue earned through these bookings/uses will assist in offsetting the annual operating costs of the community use portion of the site. In addition, there may be opportunity to support additional medical and aligned health clinics/practices; physical therapy, rehabilitation programs, Kinesiology, etc. out of these spaces – which would align with the overall shared care model of the site and could provide an additional offsetting revenue stream.

Separate, but aligned to the operations agreement on the community use/programming space, a lease agreement is also in development to allow Lionhearts Inc. to offer vocational programs in the property's commercial kitchen and commercial laundry facilities. Additional operating expenses, such as facilities maintenance and utilities specific to this area of the facility, will be covered through a shared services agreement like the one described earlier in this report relative to the transitional housing lease.

### **Next Steps**

The closing date for the property is now scheduled for January 2025, unless the seller is able to turn the site over earlier. Following Council's decision on the proposed operations plan and capital financing, staff will work to refine all related agreements with partners and advance the operations planning. Staff will report back in the first half of 2025 with additional recommendations around operational funding and with project and renovation updates.

### **Public Engagement**

Public engagement on this project was at the Inform and Consult Levels of the IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation. Throughout the project, staff maintained Frequently Asked Questions News & Updates sections on Get Involved Kingston, sharing project milestones and responses to questions that were received by email and the public engagement platform. Public engagement took place in two phases: pre-engagement and operational plan engagement. Full engagement reports and verbatim responses collected are in Exhibit E (Queen Mary Road Pre-Engagement Report) and Exhibit F (Queen Mary Road Operational Plan Engagement Report).

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## Pre-Engagement

Pre-engagement took place February 8 to September 20, 2024. The objective of this broad engagement was to receive questions, concerns and suggestions from interested and affected community members about the project; with community members invited to submit input on Get Involved Kingston, by phone, in writing, email and service request. Staff attended three community-led town halls on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, March 14<sup>th</sup> and April 25<sup>th</sup>. Pre-engagement statistics include:

- 6,340 visits to the Get Involved Kingston project page.
- 1,286 visits to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page.
- 725 completed surveys from 540 participants.
- Participants residing at K7M 7E8 completed surveys most frequently (30).
- 13,000 Get Involved Kingston subscribers updated by email on February 8<sup>th</sup>, February 16<sup>th</sup>, March 15<sup>th</sup>, April 26<sup>th</sup> and May 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Pre-Engagement Feedback Themes

Staff analyzed feedback received during the townhalls and online engagement and identified the following themes below.

Through the engagement process and in response to the feedback themes, a Frequently Asked Questions section of Get Involved Kingston was created.

## Neighbourhood Safety

Several participants stated they were concerned that supportive and transitional housing located at 309 Queen Mary Road could lead to an increase in encampment activity, crime, debris and anti-social behaviour. Through their feedback, respondents linked the transitional supportive housing project to harm reduction and short-term emergency shelter operations.

## Financial Considerations

Participants inquired about funding sources for the renovations and continued operation of the facility, with some seeking a detailed budget for the project. Feedback was balanced between participants stating they were supportive of municipal investment in affordable housing with others stating they were opposed to property taxes being spent on the Queen Mary Road project.

## Community Use and Social Support Opportunities

Participants in the online public engagement and at community-led town halls suggested that space in 309 Queen Mary Road be reserved for alternate and complementary uses. Suggestions included meeting spaces, arts and cultural learning opportunities, food security programs or recreation programming.



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## Engagement and Communication

Some participants expressed concerns that decision making regarding the purchase of the property and subsequent development of the operating model, as well as access to engagement opportunities were not transparent. Some participants also expressed concern with misinformation about the project circulating in the media and community.

### Primary Health Care Clinic

Access to primary health care was a recurring theme in engagement feedback, with suggestions for physiotherapy, mental health, nurse practitioner clinic and other diagnostic services to be made available at 309 Queen Mary Road. Community members also presented petitions and delegations to Council on June 4<sup>th</sup> to support the transformation of the facility from its intended use to solely a family medicine and diagnostic centre. Staff note petitions and delegations are not counted in this feedback analysis.

### Operational Plan Engagement

The operational plan engagement started September 23<sup>rd</sup> with an in-person public engagement session hosted by City staff. The session featured a staff presentation and information centres hosted by staff and project partners. A survey was hosted on Get Involved Kingston from September 23<sup>rd</sup> to October 4<sup>th</sup>. Participants could engage online, by phone or by mail. Paper copies of the survey were also available at the in-person session. A news release and Get Involved email newsletters were used to communicate these engagement opportunities. Operational plan engagement statistics include:

- 75 people attending the in-person engagement session
- 624 participants visiting the Get Involved Kingston Page
- 190 participants completing the survey
- 13,000 Get Involved Kingston participants notified of the engagement opportunities
- Participants residing at K7M 7E8 completed surveys most frequently (13)

Engagement during this phase sought feedback specifically on the operational plan elements of supportive transitional housing, community use programming and primary care clinic. The following trends and themes were identified in the engagement feedback:

### Primary Health Care

- 83% of respondents have a primary health care provider
- Nearly all respondents shared they were supportive of a primary health care clinic at the location, adding they would like to have access to complementary services such as vaccine clinic, physiotherapists and pharmacies
- Concerns about physician recruitment were expressed by most respondents.

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### **Social and/or Recreational Programming**

Responses were aligned with programming feedback received during pre-engagement. Health and wellness, programs for seniors, family and youth, and art and cultural programming were most frequently suggested.

### **Transitional Housing**

- 66% of respondents say they are knowledgeable about transitional housing
- Almost 15% of respondents say they are not knowledgeable at all about transitional housing
- Several respondents expressed appreciation for being provided the definition of supportive transitional housing at the engagement session and in the survey
- The need for a supply of transitional housing in Kingston was acknowledged by most respondents; however, feedback on transitional housing located at the QMR project was mixed.
- Of respondents stating their support for housing at this location, most noted the need for wraparound services, 24/7 staffing and expressed concern about substance use by individuals living at the site.

### **Additional QMR Project Feedback**

Themes identified in an open-ended question about the project align with themes in pre-engagement. These include concerns about transitional housing eligibility, desire for continued communication and engagement about the project, and overall project support.

### **Climate Risk Considerations**

The facility will undergo some renovations which include the upgrade of some ventilation, cooling and heating systems. This will provide added climate resilience during times of extreme weather. There will also be some upgrades to the electrical systems, providing additional resilience for future expansions and existing infrastructure health. The reuse of an existing space as opposed to the construction of a new facility reduced the amount of construction materials and the embodied carbon associated with new construction.

### **Indigenization, Inclusion, Diversity, Equity & Accessibility (IIDEA) Considerations**

The transitional housing program will provide affordable rents geared to individuals' income. The building will be fully accessible and offer a diverse level of community programming.

### **Existing Policy/By-Law:**

Address change - Civic Addressing and Road Naming" By-Law Number 2005-98

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**Financial Considerations:**

Financial considerations were reviewed in detail in the body of the report. Staff are recommending that Council approve funding to support the capital renovations at 309 Queen Mary Road in the following amounts from the following funds:

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>
\$2,850,000	Affordable Housing Capital Budget
\$1,200,000	Housing and Homelessness Reserve
\$750,000	Human Services Reserve
\$630,000	Municipal Capital Reserve Fund
\$3,550,000	Loan to be repaid through the Medical Clinic lease

Staff are also recommending that Council approve one-time bridge funding of \$632,000 to Home Base Housing to be funded from the Working Fund Reserve to support the retention of staff until the opening of the transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Road.

Staff have committed to returning to Council in the first half of 2025 with updates on the transitional housing and community space operation and lease agreements and to seek Council’s approval of associated operational funding recommendations.

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**Exhibits Attached:**

Exhibit A - Community Agencies and Interested Partners

Exhibit B - The Housing Continuum

Exhibit C – Frequently Asked Community Questions and Responses

Exhibit D - Site Plan

Exhibit E – 309 Queen Mary Road Pre-Engagement Report

Exhibit F – 309 Queen Mary Road Operational Plan Engagement Report

**Community Agencies & Interested Partners**

1. Kingston Community Health Centre, Midtown Kingston Health Home
2. Addiction & Mental Health Services, Kingston & Frontenac, Lennox & Addington
3. Kingston Health Science Centre, Addictions Care
4. Providence Care
5. Kingston Health Science Centre, Outpatient Adult Mental Health Program
6. Loving Spoonful
7. YMCA of Eastern Ontario, Kingston
8. Kingston Native Centre and Language Nest
9. Kingston Frontenac Public Library
10. Lionhearts Inc.

<p><b>Homelessness</b></p>	<p><b>Emergency shelters</b></p>	<p><b>Supportive housing</b></p>	<p><b>Social housing</b></p>	<p><b>Affordable rental housing</b></p>	<p><b>Affordable home ownership</b></p>	<p><b>Market rental &amp; ownership housing</b></p>
						
<p><b>Emergency housing responses</b></p>	<p><b>Ongoing housing subsidies &amp; housing support services</b></p>		<p><b>Capital construction funding &amp; down payment assistance</b></p>		<p><b>Market options available</b></p>	
<p><b>Housing programs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homelessness prevention and diversion services</li> <li>• Emergency shelters</li> <li>• Street outreach program</li> <li>• Homelessness prevention fund</li> <li>• Daytime services</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing First and rapid re-housing of homeless households</li> <li>• Supportive housing (rent-geared-to-income)</li> <li>• Social housing (rent-geared-to-income)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Affordable housing capital funding and land acquisition</li> <li>• Homeownership down payment assistance</li> <li>• Low-income homeowner repair and rehabilitation funding</li> <li>• Second residential unit grant</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Household can support market housing costs</li> </ul>

## Frequently Asked Community Questions & Responses

Category	Consideration/ Question	Response
<b>Queen Mary Road Model</b>		
	What is a Shared Care Model?	<p>An integrated model of primary health care, transitional housing and community use-programming space. Providing wrap around supports.</p> <p>Shared care models are already in place in our community – through health services offered at the Kingston Community Health Centre on Weller Street and at the operations at One Roof (led by Home Base Housing).</p>
	What is the Vision for the Queen Mary Road Model?	An Integrated Model of primary health care, transitional housing and community-based programming achieved through innovative collaborative approaches and partnerships.
	What is the Mission for the Queen Mary Road Model?	<p>Committed to the social determinants of health, the Queen Mary Road project provides accessible, interdisciplinary primary health care, transitional housing and community-based programming.</p> <p>Through a provision of on-site services, the project will aim to promote wellness and social inclusion, and to support the individual needs of transitional housing residents alongside of the primary health needs of community members and through community use and programming space.</p>

	<p>How many models like Queen Mary Road are in existence?</p>	<p>City staff have researched other jurisdictions and have identified other models similar to QMR such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Durham Regions latest project “Beaverton Heights” consists of 47 units of transitional housing that provides wrap around services including meal programs, life skills, employment, and mental health and addictions services to promote life stabilization. There is a community hub at the front of the building which will offer services and activities to all residents of Durham Region. Priority access for units is givens to residents of North Durham experiencing or at-risk of homelessness, who need extra support to overcome barriers to housing.</li><li>• The City of London’s Woodfield Gate by Indwell which consists of 66 one-bedroom units of transitional housing. An on site, interdisciplinary staff compliment with blended wrap around supports including nursing, mental health and addiction services, food security and housing support (including community activities). Staff have daytime and evening shifts with 24/7 on-call support. The City of London is looking to create 600 highly supportive housing units, outlined in their Health &amp; Homelessness plan.</li><li>• The City of London is using \$2.7 million dollars to add 24 units of highly supportive housing units at the House of Hope building that currently houses 25 residents. Their highly supportive housing program provides access to health and social services, including</li></ul>
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		<p>mental health, addiction treatment, educational resources and employment and food services. Highly supportive housing is part of London’s “Whole Community System Response” which was endorsed by their city Council in March 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shepards of Good Hope has construction underway for their 48 units of supportive housing in Ottawa, ON which prioritizes people experiencing or at risk of homelessness. The brand-new building will be complete in 2025 and will feature an expanded drop-in program, healthcare supports on site and a new community soup kitchen.</li> </ul>
	<p>Does the city have any evidence to show they will be successful with a facility of this size?</p>	<p>Communities across Ontario are struggling to provide enough adequate, affordable housing with supports to the increasing number of those experiencing or at risk of homelessness. When building or renovating a new housing site, the City of Kingston considers the need in the community and the size of the land available. The By Names List (BNL) for Kingston is currently tracking approximately 606 who are in immediate need of housing/experiencing and/or facing homelessness.</p> <p>In Kingston, there are currently two supportive/transitional housing projects under construction/renovation: Kingston Home Base Housing - 38 Supportive &amp; Transitional Youth Housing at 484 Albert Street and Dawn House for Women - 17 beds (congregate) at 805 Ridley Drive.</p> <p>Similar model and scales of supportive/transitional housing are in development/operational across the</p>

		<p>province and the country.</p> <p>Durham Region and the City of London have recently constructed new transitional housing buildings that consist of a total of 113 units (47 and 66 respectively).</p>
	What the Project is Not	<p>QMR will not become an Integrated Care Hub (ICH) and/or a location for Consumption Treatment Services (CTS).</p> <p>This project has been developed with a focus on supporting individuals to move toward independent living; through outcomes-based supports, recovery supports and health Care.</p>
	What is a restrictive covenant?	<p>A restrictive covenant is an agreement which places limitations on what can be done on a property.</p> <p>On May 22, 2024, the City of Kingston signed a restrictive covenant with the Grenville Park Co-operative Housing Association Limited that prohibits the use of the property at 309 Queen Mary Road as a(n) consumption treatment (safe injection) site, emergency shelter or as an Integrated Care Hub (ICH).</p>
<b>Transitional Housing</b>		
	What is transitional housing?	Transitional housing provides a physical

		<p>environment designed to be safe, secure, enabling and home-like, with on-site support services.</p> <p>Transitional housing at QMR will provide 24/7 on-site staff support with units for up to 35 people aged 55+.</p> <p>Potential residents are assessed to understand what challenges they are facing and to ensure that there are defined and achievable goals for them to meet over the course of their time in residence – which is expected to be approximately 18 months.</p> <p>These goals are defined in their participation contract and occupancy agreement and once met, are how they exit the program and move on to more independent living.</p> <p>If goals are not being achieved, this can also be how they are removed from the program.</p>
	<p>Who will be residing in the transitional housing units?</p> <p>Will it include individuals discharged from hospital who have no place to go?</p>	<p>Queen Mary Road’s transitional housing program will support those that are 55+ with a wide range of health issues, including mobility challenges.</p> <p>Individuals accessing housing support come from a variety of backgrounds, including those discharged from the hospital with no place to go.</p> <p>Research has shown that those admitted to the hospital and then discharged without a stable, safe environment can be at higher risk of experiencing violence, a lack of sufficient follow-up health care and future (and often longer) hospital stays. By providing transitional housing opportunities to those with health challenges the housing at QMR can play of role in supporting the health and wellness of our entire community.</p>

		<p>It is important to note that persons placed in housing at QMR after hospital discharge are likely to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individuals who were evicted after failing to pay rent over a long and unexpected hospital stay</li> <li>• Individuals who do not have appropriate social supports at home to provide wound care or medication dispensing</li> <li>• Individuals whose homes are not accessible or are in the process of becoming accessible</li> <li>• Individuals who do not have a safe or adequate home to recover in</li> <li>• Individuals who do not qualify for assisted living or hospice programs.</li> </ul>
	<p>Will QMR house individuals from the “By Name List”?</p>	<p>The BNL is a real-time list of people experiencing homelessness in our community.</p> <p>QMR will house individuals from the BNL. These are individuals that are focused on achieving their goals and moving into independent housing.</p>
	<p>What organization will be running and responsible for the transitional housing portion?</p>	<p>Home Base Housing (HBH) will be the operator of the transitional housing units.</p> <p>HBH has been operating housing programs in the Kingston community since 1986.</p> <p>During these 38 years, HBH has demonstrated an excellent track record in developing new housing-</p>

		<p>related initiatives and has a solid reputation of working with other agencies and community organizations to address client needs.</p> <p>HBH currently operate 96 units in their Adult Supportive Housing program across 14 Kingston locations. They are currently underway on the construction of 38 Supportive &amp; Transitional Youth Housing at 484 Albert Street Home Base and are also the lead organization of One Roof which operates under a shared care model with wrap around services supporting youth in the community.</p>
	<p>What are the criteria for obtaining housing at 309 Queen Mary Road?</p> <p>How are these different from that of a shelter?</p>	<p>The transitional housing spaces at QMR are for individuals aged 55+ with a variety of unique health needs.</p> <p>Through a coordinated access approach, there will be several pathways for intake including self-referral and referral through a service provider. During their stay, residents will pay 30% of their household income per month or their Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) housing allowance. The average annual income of individuals on the BNL and Centralized Wait List (CWL) is approximately \$18,141.</p> <p>In addition, residents must sign and abide by a participation contract and occupancy agreement and are encouraged to fully engage in the wraparound services provided for housing, employment, life skills and stabilization.</p> <p>In the City of Kingston, many shelter models consist of drop in beds that open each night. For example, 218 Concession Street is a shelter that provides 25 “drop-in” spaces, where individuals show up at 9</p>

		<p>pm and request a bed. Individuals can be turned away if all beds are full. There is no way to pre-book or reserve a bed, and when the shelter closes at 8 am, all individuals must leave the premises. Shelter guests do not pay any fees for accessing the nightly beds and typically receive a small snack and hot drink. Guests are not required to sign any participation agreement and do not need to provide identifying or health specific information for them to access the support.</p>
	<p>Will there be rules for those who are housed at 309 Queen Mary Road? If so, what will happen if residents do not adhere to the rules?</p>	<p>Yes. Policies to reside in the program will be outlined in the participation contract and occupancy agreement. In addition, the housing operator can choose to end a participation contract at any time.</p>
	<p>How will the transitional housing be staffed?  What will the staff to resident ration be on a 24/7 basis?</p>	<p>The site will have at least 2 highly trained housing staff on site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. In addition, aligned community agencies and health teams will come on site and provide additional services and supports.</p> <p>At minimum – 2 staff will be on site 24/7. Up to 35 people can be accommodated in the transitional housing. The number of residents can vary depending on the room allocations and medical/health supports needed.</p>
	<p>Will the City allow drug use on site?</p>	<p>Residents of Queen Mary Road are not permitted to use substances on site. This is outlined in the participant contract and occupancy agreement.</p> <p>The housing operator, Home Base Housing, can choose to end a participation contract at any time.</p>

	<p>Will this facility house persons with drug addiction/dependency? How will the safety and security of the residents and surrounding community be assured?</p>	<p>Residents residing at 309 Queen Mary Road may struggle with a variety of mental, physical or addiction recovery concerns. The model at QMR is recovery focused and not a harm reduction program – this means drug use is not allowed on site and harm reduction supplies are not provided to residents through the housing operator. It is important to note that highly trained staff will be on site to support and offer a range of services for individuals in residence. Behavior expectations are covered in the participation contracts and occupancy agreements.</p>
<p><b>Due Diligence &amp; Safety</b></p>		
	<p>What does the city have in place to ensure the QMR project does not encounter the negative outcomes related and identified in the NERT report conducted on the Emergency Shelter and Consumption Treatment Services offer at the Integrated Care Hub?</p>	<p>The QMR Project is not and will not be an Integrated Care Hub, an emergency shelter or a safe consumption site.</p> <p>Queen Mary Road will operate under a governance model that includes representation from the primary care clinic, community use coordinator, transitional housing staff, clinical supports and the City of Kingston. In addition, there will be a Community Consultation Committee.</p> <p>This Community Consultation Committee is a requirement that was committed to as part the restrictive covenant the City signed with the with the Grenville Park Co-operative Housing Association Limited.</p> <p>In addition, the residents of the transitional housing</p>

		<p>program at Queen Mary Road will sign a transitional housing participation contract and occupancy agreement. The participation contract includes, but is not limited to, expectations around resident management, health, cleanliness standards of the interior and of the building, behaviour and safety and security of the site.</p>
	<p>How will the City mitigate issues related to transitional housing in a residential neighbourhood?</p>	<p>People who experience homelessness are as varied as any other neighbour in our communities. They are seniors, people with disabilities, people who have employment but no housing, parents and people who are working through mental health and/or addiction concerns. All residents of the transitional housing program at Queen Mary Road are making a choice to work towards living a healthy, stable life.</p> <p>In addition, the residents at Queen Mary Road will be supported 24/7 by highly trained staff who are there to provide services to the residents and minimize any issues that may occur on site. HBH undertakes intensive case management for the residents on site including updated assessments on a regular basis. These assessments include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Quality of Life Survey</li> <li>2. Brief Risk Assessment</li> <li>3. SPDAT (Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool)</li> <li>4. Individualized Goal Planning (SMART Goals)</li> </ol> <p>These assessments along with Crisis Planning, Guest Policies and budgeting tools can occur at or prior to move-in, as well as the 30- and 90-day occupancy mark.</p>



		<p>If issues arise that jeopardize the safety of staff, residents, or the community – resources, including Street Outreach, By-Law Services and Kingston Police are available to provide support.</p>
<b>Community Space</b>		
	<p>Who are the various community partners and agencies that have expressed interest in utilizing these community use and programming spaces to offer various levels of social and recreational programs and services?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kingston Community Health Centre, Midtown Kingston Health Home</li> <li>• Addiction &amp; Mental Health Services, Kingston &amp; Frontenac, Lennox &amp; Addington</li> <li>• Kingston Health Science Centre, Addictions Care</li> <li>• Providence Care</li> <li>• Kingston Health Science Centre, Outpatient Adult Mental Health Program</li> <li>• Loving Spoonful</li> <li>• YMCA of Eastern Ontario, Kingston</li> <li>• Kingston Native Centre and Language Nest</li> <li>• Kingston Frontenac Public Library</li> <li>• Lionhearts Inc.</li> <li>• City of Kingston, Recreation and Leisure Services and Community Safety and Wellbeing -IIDEA Departments</li> </ul> <p>In addition to the list above, staff continue to meet with community agencies, organizations and partners who express interest in the community use and programming spaces at the site.</p>

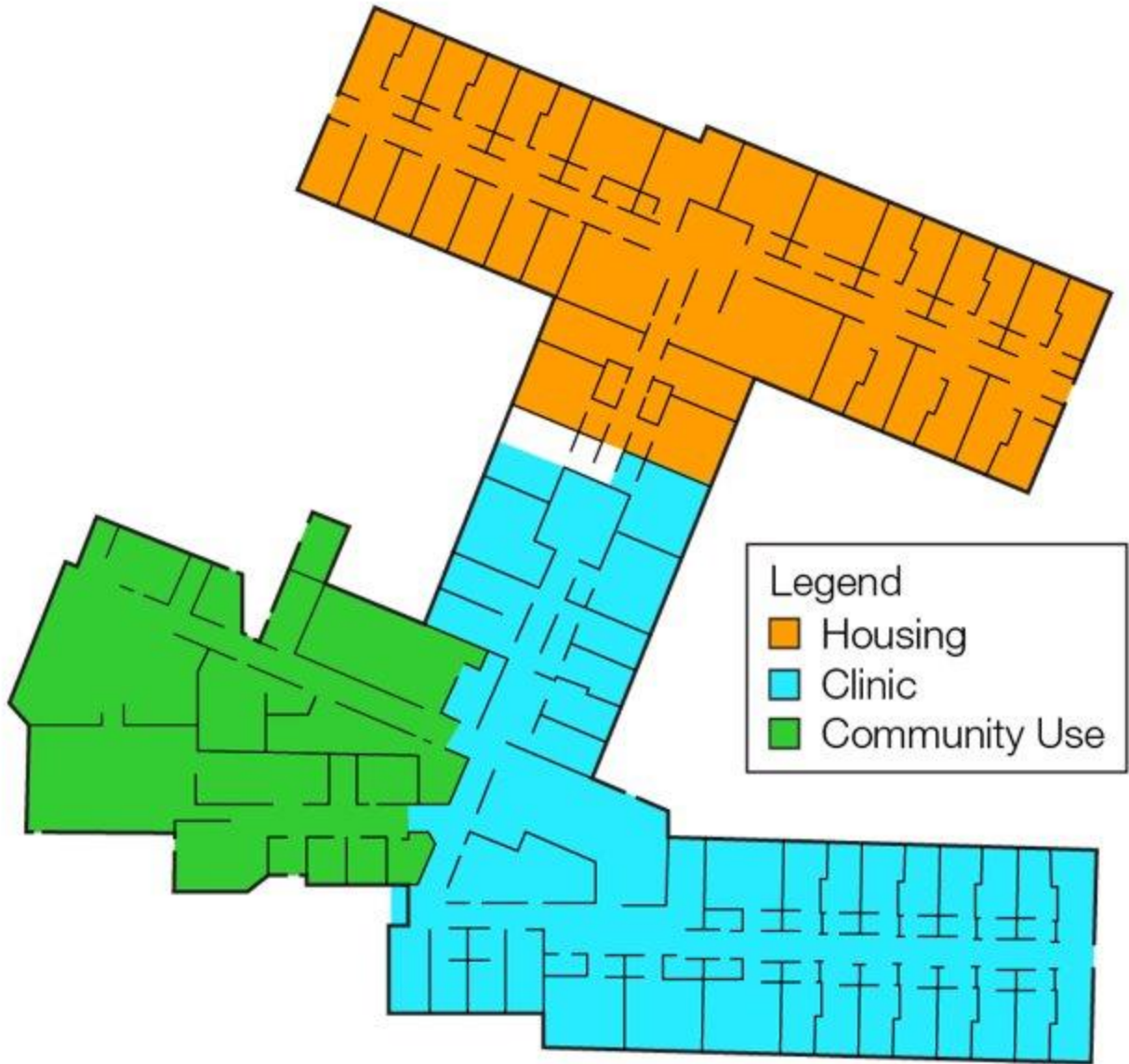
Primary Care Clinic		
	<p>Who will be able to access the Primary Care Clinic at QMR? Who will the clinic roster as patients?</p>	<p>The new Midtown Kingston Health Home, a site of Kingston Community Health Centres, will provide comprehensive, on-going primary care for the surrounding neighbourhoods, while also serving as an important community access point for delivering population health services for the broader community, including cancer screenings, prenatal care, well baby care and sexual health services. Additionally, it will connect people to health education, social programs and community social service supports.</p> <p>The Clinic will roster patients through Health Care Connect.</p>
	<p>Will the public be able to access physicians at Primary Care Clinic?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
	<p>What are the criteria (priority) for obtaining family medical care at the facility?</p>	<p>The clinic is attaching people to on-going care by taking people off Health Care Connect. If community members have a concerning health issue and do not have a nurse practitioner or family doctor, they will be able to book an appointment by calling the clinic or using the appointment booking link on the clinic's website.</p>

	<p>Who will staff this facility? What will their professional credentials be?</p>	<p>The primary care team will consist of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nurse Practitioners</li> <li>Physicians</li> <li>Medical Secretaries</li> <li>Registered Practical Nurses</li> <li>Certified Diabetes Educator</li> <li>Registered Nurse</li> <li>Family Health Educators</li> <li>Practical Assistance Workers</li> <li>Social Work/Mental Health Counselors</li> <li>Program Administrator and Manager</li> </ul>
	<p>Will the transitional housing negatively impact local businesses and homeowners?</p>	<p>Kingston has several transitional housing sites currently operating in the community and alongside of residential housing and community businesses. This includes sites like 805 Ridley Dr, a transitional housing building for women and children, that is located in a residential neighbourhood and near to local businesses. It has been operational since Fall of 2022 and has not experienced any considerable issues, concerns, or complaints from nearest neighbours, houses or local businesses.</p>
<p><b>Site Security</b></p>		
	<p>What plans are in place if an encampment forms on the adjacent land?</p> <p>What is the city's plan to prevent encampments from forming in the first place?</p>	<p>The adjacent green space is private land, largely controlled by the CRCA. Private property owners can request removal of persons camping there. At present, when persons have been seen camping on these lands, people have been connecting with the</p>

		<p>City who have been coordinating with Kingston Police and the CRCA to have people removed and to have the sites cleaned up.</p> <p>Queen Mary Road transitional housing is not an emergency shelter or Safe Injection Site. Services are only available to the transitional housing residents and would not support any other unhoused individuals.</p>
	<p>If an encampment develops outside of 309 QMR what will the city do?</p> <p>How will potential drug related issues (illegal drug use, drug distribution, biohazardous materials etc.) be dealt with at the location?</p>	<p>Land surrounding the QMR project is private land. Private property owners can request removal of persons camping there.</p> <p>Residents of Queen Mary Road are not permitted to use substances on site. This is outlined in the participant contract and occupancy agreement. The housing operator, Home Base Housing, can choose to end a participation contract at any time.</p> <p>Criminal activity would be reported to the Police. Community members are also be encouraged to report criminal activity in the neighbourhood to Police.</p>
<b>Budget /Costs</b>		
	<p>What are the projected costs to change 309 Queen Mary Road from an eldercare facility to a 3-purpose site?</p>	<p>The capital renovation budget for QMR is \$9,430,000. This will be used to convert the building to accommodate a medical clinic space, transitional housing units and community space. This budget is proposed to be funded as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$2,850,000 from the approved capital affordable housing budget;</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1,200,000 from the Housing &amp; Homelessness Reserve;</li> <li>• \$750,000 from the Human Services Reserve;</li> <li>• \$630,000 from the Municipal Capital Reserve Fund;</li> <li>• \$450,000 from the Midtown Kingston Health Home capital contribution;</li> <li>• \$3,550,000 from a loan to be repaid through the Midtown Kingston Health Home lease.</li> </ul>
	<p>What are the projected costs to operate the QMR project?</p>	<p>There is no cost to the City for the on-going operation of the primary care clinic. The clinic will lease the space from the City. This is in addition to making capital loan repayments over the 25-year repayment term.</p> <p>With direction from Council, staff will finalize the details of the proposed operations and lease agreements associated with the transitional housing and community use/programing operations at 309 Queen Mary Road. Staff will return to Council in the first half of 2025 with updates on these agreements and with the finalized operating costs and recommended funding sources. Costs associated with these agreements will also be included in the development of the 2025 City operating budget and within the current budget direction of Council.</p>
	<p>When will the project be ready for occupancy?</p>	<p>City takes possession of the site in January 2025.</p> <p>2025 - renovations ongoing</p>

		Early to Mid-2026 - Primary Health Care opens on site - Transitional Housing Operations begin - Community use/programming begins
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# 309 Queen Mary Road Pre-Engagement Report

## Why we engaged

The Queen Mary Road (QMR) Project will create an integrated model of primary health care, transitional housing and community-based programming through innovative approaches and partnerships. Public engagement during the pre-engagement invited participants to share any questions or comments about the project. To help participants, staff asked a single-open ended question: What pre-engagement feedback do you have about a supportive and transitional housing facility at 309 Queen Mary Road?

## How we engaged

Public engagement on this project occurred at the Inform and Consult Levels of the IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation.

The objective of pre-engagement was to receive questions, concerns and suggestions from interested and affected community members about the project, with community members invited to submit input on Get Involved Kingston, by phone, in writing, email and service request.

Staff also attended three community-led town halls on Feb. 22, March 14 and April 25. The community-led town halls were organized by the Grenville Park Co-operative Housing Association Limited and Save Our Neighbourhoods Kingston (SONK) and moderated by community members. Staff note while the community-led town halls did not follow the City's Public Engagement Framework or Guidelines for Participation, the town halls provided opportunities for members of the project team to share project updates, hear concerns, and answer questions.

Engagement opportunities were communicated by email, social media and public notice, reaching 13,000 Get Involved Kingston email subscribers and 114,000 social media followers.

## Who we heard from

- 6,340 visits to the Get Involved Kingston project page.
- 1,286 visits to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page.
- 725 completed surveys from 540 participants.
- Most surveys (30) were completed by participants residing at K7M 7E8 (Grenville Park).

## Feedback Themes in What we heard

Staff analyzed feedback received during the townhalls and online engagement and identified the following themes. Through the engagement process and in response to



the feedback themes, a Frequently Asked Questions section of Get Involved Kingston was created.

### **Neighbourhood Safety (34% of feedback)**

Several participants stated they were concerned that supportive and transitional housing located at 309 Queen Mary Road could lead to an increase in encampment activity, crime, debris and anti-social behaviour. Through their feedback, respondents linked the transitional supportive housing project to harm reduction and short-term emergency shelter operations. At the community-led town halls and in the FAQs, staff clarified the differences between the two types of housing solutions and reiterated that drop-in and consumption treatment services are not part of the operating model of 309 Queen Mary Road.

### **Community Use and Social Support Opportunities (7% of feedback)**

Participants in the online public engagement and at community-led town halls suggested that space in 309 Queen Mary Road be reserved for alternate and complementary uses. Suggestions included meeting spaces, arts and cultural learning opportunities, food security programs, or recreation programming. Based on this feedback, staff propose the kitchen and community room could be available for various programs.

### **Primary Health Care Clinic (3% of feedback)**

Access to primary health care was a recurring theme in engagement feedback, with suggestions for physiotherapy, mental health, nurse practitioner clinic and other diagnostic services to be made available at 309 Queen Mary Road. Community members also presented petitions and delegations to Council on June 4 to support the transformation of the facility from its intended use to solely a family medicine and diagnostic centre. Staff note petitions and delegations are not counted in the feedback percentage.

### **Engagement and Communication (3% of feedback)**

Some participants expressed concerns that decision making regarding the purchase of the property and subsequent development of the operating model, as well as access to engagement opportunities were not transparent. In community-led town halls and the FAQ, staff informed participants the property purchase followed provisions of the Municipal Act. Unique to this project, participants were able to submit feedback multiple times (as demonstrated by Participants who signed up to receive project updates and were emailed throughout the pre-engagement period). Resident engagement feedback was incorporated into the operations plan, where feasible.

### **Financial Considerations (1% of feedback)**

Participants inquired about funding sources for the renovations and continued operation of the facility, with some were seeking a detailed budget for the project. Feedback was balanced between participants stating they were supportive of municipal investment in affordable housing with others stating they were opposed to property taxes being spent on the Queen Mary Road project.

### **What we heard verbatim text responses**

The following is a list of comments submitted by registered Get Involved Kingston participants. Feedback that did not follow the City of Kingston's Guidelines for Participation (shared personal information, contained profanity or abusive language, or was not specific to the project) were omitted from the feedback.

- Horrible idea, it will turn the area into a dump!
- I do not have a doctor and have been on the list for 2 years. I am wondering about this housing facility and why it's happening.
- First - please advise all possible and permitted uses for this property as it is presently zoned and what other zoning changes are permitted for possible other uses of this property. Second - discussion is required surrounding residents' concerns for example personal safety, criminal activity, noise, camps/campfires and property value to name only a few. Third - assurances that whatever plan is put in place with local residents will not be changed without further consultation and input from residents.
- great idea
- We have a vet hospital in the area that has several controlled drugs on the premises. We currently take reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of these drugs. However, that is based on a regular risk assessment, which changes considerably in light of this new demographic with higher substance abuse rates. I would just like to hear what the plan is to ensure our business, staff and clients are not negatively impacted by a city government decision.
- I think it is a good idea to use the facility at 309 Queen Mary Road for transitional housing. I think it is a good have various types of housing all over the city (i.e. low income, transitional etc.) instead of keeping it in one location. There needs to be various types of professional help on the site as well, to support the residents.
- I think the City has made an excellent acquisition that shows support for helping house those. Individuals who do not have a place to live. I have been in Extencicare and can see lots of opportunities to serve a diverse population. It lends itself very well to a treatment centre of some type. So many people are in need of treatment for mental health, addiction or minor health issues. I applaud this initiative to serve individuals in distress. Carefully setting parameters, rules

and regulations that will help integrate the facility into the neighborhood will be a challenge. I really hope that the City follows through with a plan to use this property as intended.

- What I see on the news is neighbour are upset about this proposal. Because I don't fully understand what supportive and transitional housing looks like I'm unsure of where I stand. What I do know, the need is real, so the City is right in being proactive.
- I am against using this location for homeless people. There are many home owners in this neighbourhood and condos with elderly people living here. I fear for their safety as they are venerable. There is also the lovely hiking trail that was just last summer re-vamped by the city for lots of money...which would be trashed and made unsafe for pets walking and children. The resale value of all properties will go down... which I have a vested interest in. There are no supporting facilities in this area! I understand that we Kingston is in need of more places... but this is a poor location choice. You need some where closer to their supporting help.
- wrong area!
- I do not support this-wrong area!
- I fully support this project. Since closing KPH, people with mental health diseases have been left on their own to navigate life's challenges such as housing and medications. This has lead a lot of them to self medicate with drugs and alcohol and become homeless. Burr 4 at KGH can't keep up with the amount of people with mental illness. I'm hoping that proper supports will be put in place such as addiction counselors, nurses and therapists. With proper supports in place, people do recover and can become contributing members of our city. This might be a cost initially but will be paid back many times over as people are helped.
- It's a great thing. People need safe places to live, and I fully support the City in this.
- I believe this would be an excellent site, with the zoning available for health care services. The area is convenient for access to transit and it just seems like too good an opportunity to lose with the need for transitional housing so great.
- We are 100% supportive of this project. It will help affirm basic dignity and humanity of unhoused individuals in Kingston. Anyone who argues against this proposal is racist and classist. The proposal seems to account for the needs of the clients, and if appropriate supports are offered, the neighbours will see no effect on their way of life.
- Please explain what supportive services that will be provided at this location? What is the definition of transitional housing facility? For example; How long would a person be able to stay in this housing? Would it be open to all ages? How was this site selected? What is the cost o repurpose this building?

- The City should put lands like this up for bid to apartment developers where the developer gets a free 99 year land lease in exchange for providing social housing units to be operated by one of the area social housing providers. For example, one developer may propose 300 market rate apartments plus 32 apartments to be turned over to a social housing provider. Another might propose 500 market units and 100 social units. The City could then pick the most suitable proposal or perhaps none at all. This would help to alleviate the lack of both market rate housing and social housing. It would also greatly improve the impact of our social housing budget since the construction of the units would be provided by the developer.
- I think this is an excellent project and I am hoping it proves to be a model for others to build on. My only concerns are related to access to the centre and the impact of isolating or gathering people in that space. How easy is it going to be for people to move or access this area? I am thinking that there may be people who are less willing to move to or to travel to the location. Are there plans for satellites or transportation? I am also concerned that a stigma will be associated with the area or those who access/use the centre. Again, satellites may help with this issue. Again, very happy to see that resources are being developed and provided to those who need them most! Together we are better and go further!
- This is a tough decision as there is so much misinformation about Addiction and Mental Health. The Hub was created to house 20 people during COVID and the need it has shown has been overwhelming. Up to 100 people a day are being served there, not to mention the countless ER diversions that have occurred at a time when there is so much pressure on our healthcare system, it seems that this would be an ideal place to house the ICH without allowing a new encampment on the property. This would take dedication and money from many contributing funders. It would take a lot of work but the benefit would be unmatched.
- I think security and regular cleanup of the area needs to be a consideration. There is a lot of pedestrian traffic and kids playing in that area. It is not fair to residents if the safety or cleanliness declines as a result of the proposed measure.
- I think it is a good central location for transitional services. Residents who are looking for work or future accommodation can take advantage of bus routes. The zoning allows for the provision of health care and social services. I will be interested to see how the interior will be developed to provide accommodation - just a residence with individual rooms or any kind of bachelor apartments with the ability to integrate cooking and life skills training.
- I understand wanting to get new housing for people without a home, but what will this do to the value of the peoples homes around where this will go?

- The city desperately needs more shelter space and transitional housing, and I fully support using 309 Queen Mary for this purpose.
- Complete waste of tax payers money.
- I am fully supportive of Kingstons plan to use 309 Queen Mary Road for a supportive and traditional housing facility. The location is ideal for this purpose given access to public infrastructure (i.e. transit etc.) and previous usage.
- I support this project - Kingston desperately needs more supportive and transitional housing.
- Out of curiosity, will some space allowed for people's with difficulty to integrate temporarily set campement? We have tendency to want chasing, hide what we do not want to see. However, never think to build a dedicated space to help transition for people who might have trust difficulties but need support in alternative environments.
- Good location
- I think having such a facility in close proximity to not 1, but 2 elementary schools if ludicrous. The adjoining fields will no longer be safe for the children. The neighbourhood will lose value. We already can't use the trail near [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] because you let the integrated [REDACTED] happen. [REDACTED] isn't useable either. It's scary and unsafe. To move them to a different location isn't the answer. Current council is ruining this city. How do you plan on keeping the children in this neighbourhood safe? The children going to [REDACTED], [REDCATED], [REDACTED] Are we doubling the police budget to keep these sites safe? What about the ambulance budget? How will they keep on top of the increased ambulance calls in this place? There are a lot of seniors around. They won't be safe. This is a terrible idea. We desperately need nursing homes...redo it properly and make it a state of the art long term care home instead. Help the seniors that need it and that have lived and worked and built this city.
- I think this is a great idea and great use of the space! HOWEVER... it will largely depend on the specific how the supports, services, resources, personnel, etc all come together to create a strong and well-functioning facility. Too often (speaking from experience in other major cities in Canada. the US, and Italy) plans are drawn up, best intentions are laid and it goes sideways quickly, funding falls through or is misappropriated, inadequate resources and supports are provided and what \*could\* have been so valuable becomes nothing more that a location left to its own devices as a way to try to contain and forget the problem, leaving the individuals its meant to support in worse condition than before. If that's where this will wind up heading, then I'm not giving support. It needs a clear plan that WILL be followed through and complete transparency every step of the way.
- This is a great idea we need as much transitional housing as we can get.

- I don't know if I fully understand what is being said but if you are thinking about making this into doctors' offices that sounds good. Instead if financial benefits to doctors coming in for a short while then they leave once the time is up offering free or discounted office space would benefit the community more making Kingston a more desirable location for family doctors. This should be looked at provincially also. Most hospital doctors have no overhead so why should family doctors.
- I am in favour of supportive and transitional housing facilities throughout the city of Kingston.
- I believe this is a much needed facility and am pleased the city purchased this property. An integrated service model for those living there should be beneficial. As it will have living facilities it has the potential to offer more than the integrated hub on Montreal street. I live across the street from [REDACTED]. This is a good example of how a need can be met and be affordable for those who live there.
- I would support the use of the facility itself for the purpose of supportive and transitional housing, but I have concerns about the parkland adjacent being used as a campground similar to [REDACTED]. Is there a plan in place to deal with this since it seems difficult to remove encampments once they are established?
- I think it is a wonderful idea to repurpose this building into some form of transitional housing.
- I strongly support this project. It is an essential part of addressing the issue of a growing unhoused population in the city. It is our responsibility to ensure that our fellow Kingstonsians get the support that they need.
- What will be the annual costs to taxpayers to keep this place open? How about running the place on donations from the community? If you don't get donations (annually) then maybe that means the citizens aren't that interested in this project. Taxpayers shouldn't have to pay for such projects which only a handful of people (city employees/councillors, charitable organizations, etc) think it's a good idea.
- The city has made an excellent decision in making this purchase. This property will provide the opportunity to make meaningful progress in addressing our underprivileged population.
- It is a great idea, but there needs to be zero tolerance for drugs, alcohol, violation of rules. It cannot turn into the disaster that [REDACTED] has become.
- I fully support it. There needs to be more transitional housing to support those with mental health and addiction concerns. The homelessness rate in Kingston has skyrocketed and this is heartbreaking and disheartening. It's also a shame that there are so many residents that oppose this and when it's so needed! Please do something to support people who need a little extra help to put their life back on track. Not everyone has a support system or family that can help them out.

Having a supportive and transitional housing facility would be critical to address the homelessness and underhousing issue in Kingston. Please do the right thing!!

- Excellent idea.
- The area housed an Extencicare home previously. It is suited to have affordable housing. Many amenities are nearby, including public transit.
- This area is not suitable for this type of development. Build mixed housing here instead as is the case with the surrounding areas.
- Why didn't [REDACTED] work for homeless during covid. Security issues I don't walk downtown because of the homeless concerns and i wouldn't want to walk around this location . Consider any impact from day parolees from the [REDACTED]. Increased drug use and problems in the area. No respect for neighborhood private properties. Garbage mess and tents around this location. Increased bus riding problems on top of current city bus issues. All the Hub problems coming to this area. Decrease property values. Enough resources including staff will not be provided due to costs. Have other cities done similar projects and what did they learn ? How does kingston Police feel about the project? Will more officers have to be hired for this project?
- We do not approve of the intended use of the facility as we live nearby this building. Choose a different site that is more isolated and not located within a large population base.
- I think the idea of this is something that is desperately needed in Kingston. Having several services under one roof providing care and support 24/7. I think different levels of supportive housing, from low barrier and up is needed. In order for it to be successful though, agencies needs to work together and support the work of each other. There needs to be a clear path ahead. There also needs to be adequate funding to ensure such a project can proceed with the required staff. Not piece mealed together from a little bit from this agency, and a bit from agency 2 and so on. There needs to be dedicated staff and dedicated funding for such a project. There also should be consultation with the people it is intending to serve and implenting what these individuals say would be beneficial.. not what agencies think is beneficial.
- Great idea!
- I believe this is a necessary step forward. However there has been little information in regards to which agencies will utilize this space. AMHS would be a preference.
- A single story, low density building for any purpose is not the best use of urban lands, adjacent to complimentary commercial lands along a high frequency urban corridor with high frequency transit service. The relocation of Extencicare provides an opportunity for demolition of 309 Queen Mary and construction of

higher density residential units (by the private sector) similar to what already exists in the surrounding area. We must take advantage of these opportunities. If a portion of the building needs to be constructed to act as some sort of traditional housing facility with support services so be it. We do not need to create another veteran tiny homes scenario where 20 units have been constructed where 200 units (20 units x 10 stories) could/should have been. If we want to reduce urban sprawl and maintain the existing urban boundary we need to infill in areas such as 309 Queen Mary Rd. This is exactly what [REDACTED] has been talking about for several years while working with the City. As for the supportive and transitional housing proposed usage, it's fair for the all of the community to be concerned. In a statement to Global News Kingston, [REDACTED]: "It's probably going to be a bit of a first of its kind," and " There is ample space to be able to really create different types of housing in terms of transitional, supportive — even from a programming perspective — we can also make sure that there are supportive programming aspects on site," It is understandable that when you hear "first of its kind" and "create different types of housing" to think that there's already a detailed plan fully developed. In many ways one would hope that when the City spends \$3.8M on a property that there is a plan, but unfortunately it now sounds like there isn't a plan. The City's own news release on Feb 6 stated: " Although the property at 309 Queen Mary Road has been secured, specific support services provided to complement transitional housing have not been decided." and " Rather, this is a unique opportunity to work with community partners to develop and provide both services and housing options on-site for those who need them. In the coming months, the City will host public engagement opportunities and work with community partners to develop this operational model." I appreciate the need for land negotiations to occur in private session to protect the interests of the seller and City taxpayers. However, the principles of public engagement that the City has subscribed to require engage to occur before action, not after it. It's clearly too late on 309 Queen Mary Rd, but perhaps the premise of conditional sales subject to public engagement can be introduced in future. We must work together to sort out a way to ensure the public isn't surprised to find out a particular land sale is final where Council hasn't already approved the service delivery model. The current approach divides the community unnecessarily and takes focus away from the true issue trying to be addressed.

- I agree with supportive ,transitional housing facility @ 309 Queen Mary Rd & if voted down Consider a well needed new LTC home for Kingston's large number of elderly needing compassionate , caring , loyal staffed home!
- It is of great concern to the residents in the area and with good reason. The old 'NIMBY" applies here for many of them. While ilunderstand that Kingston has a



growing problem with the homeless and what supports taxpayers need to give them to support their transition, it nevertheless IS a hot button issue. Careful evaluation of the site and what supports are being offered with appropriate followup to ensure the goals stay on track and don't simply just become a stop-over for those in the community who have nowhere to go and no place to live. I DO think that supports like what is being planned for previous Extencicare facility don't spill over into the surrounding community and be deemed a impediment to not only residents in the area but to businesses. Perhaps a suitable more permanent site should be established and closely monitored by elected previously homeless occupants who work closely with their clients and with the community in the best interests of their clients AND the surrounding community.

- This is a family friendly neighborhood neighbouring on a well used public conservation area and the city must consider the large amount of youth in the area. Any transitional housing must be confined to the building, no tents or temporary housing on the property. This should be a well supervised residence that is drug and alcohol free. Where rules are in place and strictly enforced. Anything less is totally unacceptable infringes on the rights of law bidding tax paying citizens that have taken pride in what has been a safe friendly neighborhood. I am totally apposed to the suggested use of this property and suggest the city is taking liberties when stating this property is zoned for suggested use for homeless or transitional housing.
- There are 3 schools VERY near the proposed site. Not a good plan.
- Users of the facility,,,can & must participate in part ownership responsibility,,,, respect 100% godliness. Participate in the learning process the responsibilities, the designated chores. Teach their partners the same responsibilities. Hire staff to train cooks,maintenance workers That the unit is for ALL. live and participate as owners,sort of.
- Fully support these much needed services being offered in our neighborhood. Thank you.
- As a resident of [REDACTED] district, we welcome the development of 309 Queen Mary Road to offer a space for much needed transitional housing and support programs. We appreciate the proposal to make very appropriate use of this space and hope we can continue to offer our support while allowing the city and those involved to keep us well informed and to adequately raise awareness of why this project is so important. Everyone deserves safe and dignified housing and supports. Thank you.
- I am worried about who would be living and moving around the area. We have property a number of blocks from the Care Hub and experienced theft, fire at our garbage container, damages, occupancy by the homeless in our properties, disturbances and much more.

- I live near that area and support the idea of supportive and transitional housing there. As someone who is familiar with that neighborhood I have a couple of concerns: 1. The food basics in the Frontenac mall is going to move to the Gardiners centre. This will eliminate a source of affordable groceries within walking distance of the planned housing facility. 2. There is an LCBO nearby. Residents who are combatting addiction may find this a temptation that impedes their progress. In general, I would like to see the city carefully consider the supports the resident of the planned housing facility would need, beyond just a roof over their head.
- Although I support a supportive and transitional housing idea for the Kingston area, this is not the location for such a facility. This has been a densely populated residential area for many years with a high percentage of elderly residents who would be highly vulnerable to the type of people living in this facility. I understand that there is no easy solution when it comes to this type of support facility. I would recommend keeping this type of support facility on the outskirts of town for resident safety reasons. The city already has support mechanisms in the [REDACTED] area for this type of support so why not expand in that area. An idea would be to utilize sea containers that are no longer certified for transportation purpose. I know that this could be a viable solution because when I was deployed overseas in the military, we lived in facilities very much like sea containers for 6 months or more. These containers can be set up with the conveniences of a living facility (power, heat, storage) such that it would provide a supportive atmosphere for the less fortunate to get back on their feet in a dignified manner. Let's not take what looks like an easy way (309 Queen Mary Rd) to make it look like the city cares for this type of support, and do something with an existing support mechanism already in place (Belle Park) and improve it with more robust living facilities such as the containers mentioned in my narrative. I am certain that the majority of the tax paying citizens of Kingston would consider this a viable solution.
- Do not agree with this
- Will additional buildings be added to the site?
- I support this initiative. We are in a crisis and need to be doing what we can to support individuals seeking to improve their situation. Sure there may be some changes in my neighbourhood as a result but if 309 Queen Mary isn't suitable, then where in the city is? Enough NIMBYism. It's time to step up and help our fellow humans.
- I am against using this location for transitional housing. There is a lack of reasonably priced housing for senior citizens and would consider this is the perfect location for such use.

- I do not agree that a large number of homeless be housed there. Homeless should be handled in the area they exist or have small distributed sites housing no more than 15. These big hubs for homeless and safe drug sites cause issues with safety and security in a currently safe neighborhood. You are just transferring people from one area to another. Why not sell the property and build affordable housing? Seems like you are just trying to hide the homeless from downtown. How will the council compensate residents when property values go down?
- I do not support any low barrier/safe injection site or drop in type facility which will encourage an encampment in the surrounding area as well as increased crime and violence. I would support transitional or affordable housing for stable individuals to help them integrate into society. I would also support a transitional care unit (TCU) for patients awaiting long term care beds.
- I think it is a good idea but have concerns about the number of people who may be housed there. Also concerned about how a group of people with differing issues such as addiction and mental health will mix with seniors whose only problems may be financial and simply require subsidized housing.
- I would like to see a facility where addicts are helped to get off drugs. I don't think people entering for rehab should have access to drugs. I don't want to see another slum develop along the [REDACTED]. People admitted for rehab should have to commit to wanting to get better. If they are serious about turning their life around they should have access to everything they need. If they have a mental illness such as schizophrenia, they should only have access to care if they commit to staying on their medication, for the safety of the general public.
- As a resident in the area, I, and my household, fully support the project of providing supportive and transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Road. I look forward to further details.
- The site you have selected at 309 is in a busy, high density, multi-use neighbourhood. You are already bringing in hundreds of new residents with complex needs to the community at [REDACTED]. This centre on top of that is against all current urban planning practices. Any programming at this site, other than for elderly, is not suitable as much of the demographic of this neighbourhood are frail, elderly, vulnerable, low income people. I have zero confidence in City Staff's ability to run effective programming at this site and keep this community from serious, irreversible harm. I am leaving my home in this neighbourhood, and Kingston, due to the way this project has been handled.
- As a dedicated front-line worker and member of this neighborhood, I am excited about the potential implementation of supportive and transitional housing at Queen Mary Road. Having witnessed firsthand the challenges faced by our unhoused population in Kingston, I believe that expanding these housing options

is not just beneficial but crucial for fostering positive change. Supportive and transitional housing can be a beacon of hope for those in need, offering stability and a path towards a brighter future. By embracing this initiative, we are not only addressing a pressing issue but also strengthening the bonds that make our city resilient and compassionate. Let's come together to support the idea of 309 Queen Mary Road becoming a haven for those seeking a fresh start. Together, we can make a difference and create a community that truly cares for all its members.

- Completely in support of the city attempt to organize and develop a very well run transitional service for our less fortunate. I know that we could require this service on a very large scale sooner rather than later and the need to make this work is now. Kudos city of Kingston, let's do this right!
- Absolutely no housing for drug addiction & drug administration of such. Small numbers only if any. Not 50 - 100 occupants as previously announced February 1st, 2024. Wish to maintain safe environment for our community (seniors, children, schools a businesses). I would like to see supportive housing for struggling seniors, foster kids, or veterans. Possibly a wellness center. Or transitional housing for patients in hospital waiting for transfer to a nursing home to free up acute care beds in our hospitals.
- Transitional housing encompasses too many variables that will affect the livelihood of nearby residents.
- It sounds like just another name for the [REDACTED] minus clean needle exchange. I live across the street and have a beautiful view of the [REDACTED]. Now I worry what that view will entail, tents and shopping carts? Already the police have driven along the trail twice in 1 week. Seems like the city has wasted taxpayers money in the park to fix up the trail with 230 trees soon to be planted, Will the trees be used as fuel come winter? Please use the first mistake [REDACTED] as an example of what not to do.here. I want to be able to walk the trail without fear. Thank you. [REDACTED]
- I am strongly apposed to a supportive transitional housing facility. I would much prefer a housing facility for low income seniors. I feel that would be a good fit for the community.
- I feel that the councilors who voted for this are completely in the wrong! How can they think, in their right mind, that the neighboring residents would accept this. By creating such stress in their lives is criminal.
- I think that Kingston is in need of this and I welcome it. I live in the neighbourhood and I think that it is ridiculous that residents are protesting its implementation merely because it is in OUR neighbourhood. I welcome anything that helps the vulnerable and less fortunate. I do not want to be thrown in the category of the uninformed protestors.

- That the real survey have: 1) all options for land use, 2) important personal themes, 3) options for legal assurances. Make sure that the survey designers to list all possible and permitted uses under the zoning bylaw and official plan designation so residents can learn about what is possible and give their honest opinion on all possible options – not just the currently proposed options in the pre-consultation of supportive and transitional housing. The survey should be bigger than what is claimed now as the proposal and include the ability to comment on all current legal land and zoning uses. If there is any contemplation of changing any of the permitted uses then all possible contemplations of future permitted uses should be revealed and we should be able to voice our opinion on those proposals. For example, if people do not want a medical use then can we ask for a regular multifamily residential use or other use instead of medical use. That the consultation should give space and voice to the themes you find important. We want a real survey that incorporates questions and answers for themes such as for example 1) personal safety, 2) debris and junk accumulation, 3) dangerous camps and camp fires, 4) bad and threatening behaviour in the neighborhoods 5) assurances of stability property prices, 6) lists of possible uses and real questions about what we can take off the table. List the things you find important and that the real survey make space for them and give you an opportunity to voice your opinion on what you want to see and not see there. We would like legally binding assurances that what the community does not want will not be reconsidered at a later date by some other group or institution.
- I live in the condo building [REDACTED] and I am very worried about the proposal to place any type of transitional housing in the neighbourhood. I am concerned property values will fall and residents' will not feel as safe with the numbers of strangers coming and going from the area should the City establish this facility on the land. We have already seen how areas with this type of facility show an increase in trash buildup and bad behaviour from many of the people who use these facilities. I am asking to see a survey where the City lists all possible and permitted uses of the property. I would like to know if the City has considered changing the zoning to permit developers to build another multi-unit residence, which would fit right in with the current high-density residential community. I want to ask the City to consider all options and share more details with residents before it makes a final decision.
- I request that the real survey includes: ALL possible and permitted uses under the zoning bylaw and official plan designation, allowing residents to learn about what is possible and give their honest feedback on all possible options, not only those currently proposed options in the pre-consultation of supportive and transitional housing. The survey should include the ability to comment on all current legal land and zoning uses. ALL possible contemplations of future

permitted uses should be revealed, and residents should be able to voice our opinion on those proposals. The real survey cover questions and answers regarding the following: How will the personal safety of current area residents be protected? How will you deal with the increase in crime to property and persons that is surely to come with such a facility? How will the accumulation of debris and junk be dealt with? How will dangerous camps, campfires and fire hazards be handled? How will bad/threatening behaviour in the neighborhoods be dealt with? What assurances of stability of property prices will be provided to the current residents who have their life savings invested in this community? When inevitably our property values plummet and we ourselves are forced to abandon our mortgages and homes, where will the City put us? What plan is there for the homeless people you will create in this community once you ruin it? How will the City deal with the environmental impact of such a proposal? What is the plan for the acres of wildlife and vegetation currently in this community? What has the City done to take into consideration the mental and physical health toll that such a proposal will take on current residents? Even the notion of this idea already has our (mainly senior) residents, falling ill. The City claims this is to be for "health care", so what about our health care? I request lists of possible uses and real questions about what we can take off the table. We want no part of any form of injection site or anything related to drugs in our area. What does the City propose to do with individuals they allow to consume illegal drugs legally in our back yards when those individuals then walk out on to our streets intoxicated? I ask for legally binding assurances that what the community does not want will not be reconsidered at a later date by some other group or institution. I request the best legally available assurances in the form of zoning bylaws for land use, property standards for ongoing property maintenance and standards within a very limited permitted use of the land that disallows anything the community does not want. We have plenty of ideas for the space where it could be used to actually help the community and vulnerable populations and our city. I ask that the real survey make space and give us an opportunity to voice our opinions on what we want to see and not see at 309 QMR. [REDACTED]

- If the extendicare building is converted for use as an integrated care hub, consumption treatment centre, safe injection site, or to provide residency for the homeless who have mental health or addiction problems, you will be subject to a class action lawsuit, if there is any damage to property or harm to any of the mostly senior residents of [REDACTED]. We all have the right to feel safe and secure from harm, including our property such as our vehicles and premises. Sincerely, Neighborhood Residents
- I would need to hear the full truthful outline of what is proposed before I could make a decision. I am not opposed to supportive housing for the homeless but

am opposed to anything that would be like the [REDACTED]. That has been a disaster which uses great financial resources, such as fire and police and health, to fund people who do not wish to transition. Why not use the space for people who honestly do want to transition. As a senior on a fixed pension who is grateful to own a condominium at [REDACTED], why should my property values go down and feel unsafe in my own neighbourhood for those who do not respect property or who could be violent. Please provide a detailed plan of your proposal. I feel something has been in the works for awhile as new sewers have gone in. You must have a more specific idea than just saying it won't be [REDACTED]. I think it is unfortunate that so many high rise condominiums have been built on [REDACTED] to provide housing for Queen's students when the fate of Queen's is in jeopardy. Low rent housing must be a priority. High paying jobs are no longer available, and those living on minimum wage have few options of where to live. Use the Extencicare property wisely with regard to providing dignity to those who have lost much in life and to those who will contribute to your tax base rather than drain it and I will be a supportive neighbour.

- First, I ask for a list of all possible and permitted uses under the zoning bylaw and official plan designation so my husband, myself and the residents can learn about what is possible so that we may give an honest opinion on all the possible options – not just the currently proposed options in the pre-consultation of supportive and transitional housing. The survey should be bigger than what it is now, as the proposal should include the ability to comment on all current legal land and zoning uses. If there is any contemplation of changing any of the permitted uses then all possible contemplations of future permitted uses should be revealed and we should be able to voice our opinion on those proposals. For example, if people do not want a medical use facility then can we ask for a regular multifamily residential use or other use instead of medical use. Second, I would like be clear that we have serious concerns for 1) personal safety for ourselves our children and grandchildren, 2) debris and junk accumulation who is going to clean that up and haul it away 3) dangerous camps and camp fires that impact our safety 4) bad and threatening behaviour in the neighborhoods that impact our safety 5) there is no question that this type of facility will have an impact on our property prices, 6) We would like to know all the possible uses and options available for the property. Third, I would like to ask for a legally binding assurance that what the community does not want will not be reconsidered at a later date by some other group or institution.
- We feel that this is a bad idea in this residential neighbourhood. We feel this property would be better served as a park or possibly for senior housing for those who can no longer afford to stay in their current accommodation

- That the real survey have: 1) all options for land use, 2) important personal themes, 3) options for legal assurances.
- I would like the next survey to include all of the other options under the current zoning laws as well as other zoning possibilities. I.e. is a park an option? I have a seven month old. I decided to have a child here because of the area. There are so many schools around and the new walking trail makes it a beautiful place to live! My concerns are that this area would not be as family friendly, senior friendly, or livable for the residents in the immediate area. I want to be able to teach my son how to ride a bike, throw a ball, and provide a carefree childhood. I'm concerned what he might see, what could happen to the area, and not be able to be outside for longer than it takes me to walk to my car. I'm also worried about vandalism for both my house and car. We already lock every door and window, but that isn't going to stop anyone from breaking in especially if they aren't completely sound of mind. The last thing I want to ask for the possibility of legal assurances. Will there be a safe needle zone? Is it possible to legally state that there can never be one on the property or proximity? Will there be a curfew implemented for the residents so that we can safely walk around at night and ensure the safety of our property? There are no lights on the new walking path and that is terrifying enough already. I have been sexually assaulted. I don't want my risks to go up simply because it is not feasible for me to move away. Please keep my son and my family (as well as all of the other families, and seniors in the area) in mind when making your decisions. We want to provide a stable, and safe life, please help us do that!
- If, and I mean if, the city's plan goes through, will there be consistent police presence at or nearby the facility. The police will certainly be able to rein in any and all of those persons possessing drugs. It is against the law and won't be tolerated.
- I would like that the deal survey include all options for the land. This includes what the land could be used for under its current zoning laws. Im also wondering what the land could be used for under a different zoning law. I have a young child and would like to know that she will be able to grow up in a safe environment since that is why we moved here. Finally, i want there to be legal stipulations that protect the area. This could pertain to no safe needle recepticals in the area, or a cerfew for the residents of the proposed 309 Queen Mary site.
- A far more appropriate use of the current facility would be to resell the property to a developer in order for an apartment building to be built. It would mean a safer environment for neighboring residents.
- I feel that there should be NO transitional housing facility on the site or anywhere in the neighborhood. It's apparent that 12 councilors don't want such a facility in their neighborhoods either.



- Would prefer the property fall in line with neighbouring properties. Affordable family living.
- It can't be used as a [REDACTED], safe injection site or any other proposal the city has except for a multi unit family condos, rentals or build a park. I want to feel safe and free to come and go home, enjoy the trail, allow my condo to increase in value and not become a high risk crime area- I'm a senior and my home is all I have to enjoy my golden years. The [REDACTED] was a failed experiment, so why do you want to do a repeat failure at 309 queen, Mary. ? Why do the rights of homeless people take priority over us law abiding, tax paying contributors of society, who worked hard all their lives?
- As outlined in my numerous emails to the Mayor and Councillors, I think this survey should include more questions than just this one. This ONE questions, make it appear as though you don't actually want honest feedback. I would ask that you include questions about the possible uses permitted under the zoning bylaw so that people can learn what other possibilities there are. This would allow those of us who strongly oppose having a medical facility, transitional housing or [REDACTED] to note what we do think would work well, such as a park or regular family residential uses, or condo buildings. I would also ask that the survey ask what concerns we actually have - ie., personal safety, loss of value to our homes, crime and drugs, garbage accumulation, etc. Thirdly, it will be important that we have legally binding assurances about what the community does NOT want to considerate to be reconsidered at a later date. Please do your due diligence and make sure you are asking for all of the information and concerns from your voters.
- Personal safety: How will the City assure the current residents of these communities that our personal safety will be looked after. It has been proven that any such facility coming into any area has led to increased crime. The Kingston Police are stretched thin as it is, so who will protect the seniors, children and families that live in our neighbourhoods? Debris and junk accumulation: It's clearly apparent at the current [REDACTED], tiny houses, and encampments that this is a monumental problem, not only for appearance but also health and safety. How does the City plan to deal with this under this proposal? Dangerous camps and campfires: Yet another safety concern, and very timely based on the significant fires at [REDACTED] this past week. How does the City propose to deal with fires, propane tanks, and other incendiary devices with the potential to cause uncontrollable fires in our neighbourhood? Bad and threatening behaviour in the neighborhoods: Again, these types of facilities in any form, and specifically injection sites, bring with them behaviour that our current population of seniors, families, children are just simply incapable of dealing with. How does the City plan to deal with this in our neighbourhood? Assurances of stability of property

prices: What does the City propose to do with the current residents' financial investments in our community. We paid good money to live in a quiet, safe community. Most of us have all our life savings tied up in our homes. Our property values will plummet, our insurance rates will definitely rise and our area could simply be deemed uninsurable. What plan does the City have for that? I request lists of possible uses and real questions about what we can take off the table. Our community does not support any type of injection site, or anything connected with drug use! We have plenty of ideas for the space where it could be used to actually help the community, vulnerable populations and our city. I ask that the real survey make space and give us an opportunity to voice our opinions on what we want to see and not see at 309 QMR. Third, I ask for legally binding assurances that what the community does not want will not be reconsidered at a later date by some other group or institution. I request the best legally available assurances in the form of zoning bylaws for land use, property standards for ongoing property maintenance and standards within a very limited permitted use of the land that disallows anything the community does not want. [REDACTED]

- I would like to ask that the real survey has ALL the options for this land use. List all the possible and permitted uses under the zoning by-law, official plan designation(do that the affected residents may form a honest opinion on all options not just the ones currently proposed). The ability to comment on all current legal land and zoning uses. Full transparency in revealing contemplation of future permitted uses and ability to voice my opinions on those proposals that pertain to me and my well being. Real survey that incorporates my questions and answers addressing my numerous and very important concerns . My concerns are : safety in my immediate vicinity and that of the adjacent recreational area shared with wildlife. it has been recently upgraded and is being used by multigenerational and multicultural groups to promote physical and mental well being. If the current proposal goes through , statistically the area is going to become a place of dangerous and illegal camps, fire hazard, debris and garbage accumulation. Threatening, vulgar, noisy, offensive , illicit and intimidating behaviour that I as a single senior woman and my family will be a target of. This is well established quiet, safe and respectful community of predominantly very vulnerable seniors not equipped to deal with such a behaviour . Increase in crime , car theft, defacing our property, trespassing. Again statistics show a huge increase in crime, fires , violent crimes, harassments and victimizing neighboring residents. Police presence is scarce and not effective in prevention of crimes especially in notoriously dangerous locations. Major devaluation of my property as a direct result of infusing this social strata. into this well established neighborhood. Most of the residents here, have their life savings invested in their condo and were hoping to live what is left of their life in safety and security. The

current proposal feels like a grenade to our dreams of a quiet , safe life at the dawn of our life. What assurances of stable fair property prices is the City prepared to offer if we are unable to adjust to this harsh change imposed onto us ? This community is horrified and our way of life seriously threatened. I ask for concrete, clear and legally binding assurances that what is unacceptable to the community now will not be reconsidered at a later date by some other group or institution in the form of changing the bylaws property standards for permitted use . I see many options that would be so much more suitable and encouraging symbiotic and welcoming outcome . The current proposal is bringing outrage, profound fear, anxiety to this community.W We as seniors in this community were hoping our life battles and struggles were done, but in order to literally defend our home , we will find the strength and resolve to fight for what is right. I ask all of you to ask yourself an honest question. If this use of my front yard was to be used for what is proposed for ours would I be welcome? That what I thought.....Thank you for deciding to do what is right, not what is easy.

- Please take into consideration that the majority of people living in the 2 condo buildings are seniors. We are concerned about our safety not to mention the decrease in value of our condos. I am also concerned about the [REDACTED] next to Extencicare that has a supply of several drugs including narcotics and furthermore the LCBO is just a block down the road. The truth is the current hub model is not working (obvious to anyone who drives down Montreal St.) I hope and pray that all the money spent to upgrade the trail will not be wasted on a tent city. Please look at the big picture before you make your final decision about 309 Queen Mary Rd. Thank you [REDACTED] Kingston
- The secrecy and sudden public announcement, which sounded like a completed deal, about this facility being used for 100+ homeless people on the tv news network was shocking. Social workers, bylaw officers, police or any other means used so far by the City have been unable to contain the garbage, trafficking, prostitution, theft, damage to tax payers property (stealing, breaking into home & cars, defacating and urinating of private properties), cutting down of telephone poles, creating major dangerous slums. Councillors don't want this in their district therefore not supporting [REDACTED]. These people are a danger to the rest of us; I was recently 'shadowed' by a young man while shopping at the Kingston Centre who had his eyes on my purse and was desperate and agitated that he wasn't succeeding. I had to put myself between 2 employees until he left. I have never been so scared. This is how they get their drug money. I have been alone on [REDACTED] when another terrified me; I was willing to step out in front of the next car driving by to get help. We do not want this situation in this beautiful area. Keep it where it is and fix it, don't simply move the trash somewhere else and destroy our lives.

- This would be a terrible change to the area. There is already issue with drug use for those that cross the pathway between REDACTED]. With adding the transitional housing facility this will just make it 10 times worse. I looked into the current facility and the complaints of those that left comments. These complaints were primarily from those that live in the area. I do not want to hear fights at all times of the night. have syringes left all around the area and be worried to step outside to either be accosted or find out that someone has broken into our condo or cars. People would also start to camp out in the conservation area. As a resident who lives just meters away I will do everything in my power including legal action to stop this from happening.
- My family and I live across the road at [REDACTED]. It is outrageous that we are hearing the news after the City has known about this for 2 years! Absolutely ridiculous. There needs to be transparency. We the residents of the community deserve a right to be heard publicly and on record! I have a right to fight for my home! My home is in the community that the City is planning to disturb with bringing homeless people to the Extencicare land on Queen Mary Road. What you are planning or have decided is affecting me, my neighbours and where I live! Why do I count less? I pay my taxes. I work hard to be a contributing member of society and I volunteer. Why does my community count less? Why don't we have the right to be heard? Why don't we have the right to be informed about what is happening in our own back yard? Why do those individuals that do not care to support themselves be heard and get to live in my quiet, established neighbourhood?! They will disturb and destroy this neighbourhood. They are known to be violent. Why are we, working class people second choice!? We live in a quiet neighbourhood that has older individuals and many young families with children. Walking on the newly upgraded Rideau Trail and seeing the nature and wildlife are even more reasons to be outside. Our children can safely walk to the bus stop. We can safely go to our vehicles. The area is quiet and peaceful. The City spent what about \$3.8M on the upgrade of the Rideau trail and they are willing to throw away that large sum of money, just like that!? If homeless people come to this neighbourhood that trail will be destroyed! They will be tenting in the woods, hiding their drugs, vandalism, etc. Wildlife will be ruined. What happens when there will be trespassing on our property? Or when our vehicles are vandalized? Are the police going to come? Or are they going to ignore every call because they anticipate the high crime that is to come to this 'known' area? Having high presence of police is known as a temporary measure. Police presence is costly! Is this the solution!? Crime rates will increase! All we would anticipate is drugs, drinking, crime and disruption. We do not want to welcome this in our neighbourhood! Drugs are accessible at the vet across the street and alcohol is available walking distance. We cannot even think to put our family at

risk of anything happening! I cannot imagine letting our children go to the bus stop! This is not the location to house homeless people or of the sorts. The current places in Kingston where you have the homeless, and needles giving, etc – why not expand and invest in those already established places? It would be harder to start this up in a new location like the Extencicare land on Queen Mary. The City can increase Police presence there. I urge the city to reconsider this decision. Why not turn the Extencicare land on Queen Mary into a park or re-zone the area for a multi-level residence for working people? The City could sell this prime property for a gain to developers. I'm sure developers would be willing to purchase such a prime property. Then the \$3.8M investment in the trail would not be wasted.

- Residents of [REDACTED] object to any options of relocating the Integrated Care Hub to the Extencicare building or providing short or long term lodging for the homeless who have mental health issues or addictions in that location. The Extencicare building has capacity of 150 beds. Mental health institutions have been abolished many years ago and replaced with smaller group homes. Is this City considering re-establishing a Mental health institution for up to 150 residents in the Extencicare building ? As I have stated in my previous message this would create a safety issue in our neighbourhood, a 'tent city' on our newly improved Rideau Trail, littered with unsafe injection needles and garbage. We will fight against this even if we have to take it to court. Sincerely, [REDACTED]
- We are a senior couple residing at [REDACTED] and strongly object to Kingston City council's options to convert that property into 1) a consumption treatment centre, 2) integrated care hub, 3) safe injection site, etc. Providing lodging for the homeless who have metal health issues and addictions, for up to 150 residents in the extencicare building spells DANGER in our neighbourhood. What kind of 24/7 supervision would be in place ? The Rideau Trail close to the property was just extensively updated and beautified, it would end up being another 'tent city' for the homeless who do not want to follow rules at their residence. The trail would also be littered with unsafe injection needles and garbage. Sincerely your concerned citizens, [REDACTED]
- This site is not suitable for this type of housing and does not provide what folks need. Leaving the area vulnerable to all the issues we have been against since February 2024 when the City's plan was announced. Unfortunately the horrible events of yesterday 12 Sep 2024 in the ICH and encampment area on Montreal Street only highlight that there needs to be a better way. The City needs to stop all plans for the 309 QMR site after Extencicare exits and regroup. Better plans have to be funded and implemented!
- No transitional housing at this site, that would slowly but surely involve in to a care hub complete with all the problems of the current one. The neighbourhood

needs to remain safe and property values maintained. As suggested recently should be a much needed primary care facility for the city and surrounding area! Doctors, nurses, medical testing!

- I support the Extencare building (309 Queen Mary Rd) being turned into a center for the unhoused or those with mental health issues or additions. Since this building already has some medical infrastructure it seems like an opportunity to provide these services more quickly than if the city had to start from scratch, as well as some costs being saved. I've heard the capacity at Extencare is 100 people, and even getting half or that capacity for the new health services would be fantastic. I live in an apartment building right beside the Extencare building so I've overheard all the NIMBY opinions and it breaks my heart, so I wanted to reach out to show that there is support for these services around the city and at 309 Queen Mary Rd. People have expressed fear of finding needles in town, a safe injection site would help remove littered needles. People have expressed fear of encampments, a temporary housing center would help get those people off the streets. People have expressed a lot of fear, but not enough enthusiasm for the public services that help, and the people that make them possible, which I want to show my support for. We need safe injection sites, temporary housing, warm up centers, food centers, and a whole wide range of services for people in need of the most help. The Extencare center transformation could make very meaningful impact for those who use its services and for those who don't. Because we all benefit when more public health care services are provided and when people get the help they need. Thank you for reading my comments.
- I was very disappointed in the survey with only one question. You gave us no opportunity to ask what other uses are being discussed as use for this facility. You gave no information on the guarantee of no encampment. You have been trying to whitewash the use of this facility since you admitted to the purchase of the property. Mental Health and Trellis that operates the HUB, have done such a poor job running that facility and the area around it; how do you expect them to do any better by just moving to a new location. Move and don't look back. What are you willing to do as our City Council to protect our investment and our Safety as Seniors. We pay our taxes and yet you do not even give us the courtesy of informing us before giving half information to the newspaper. Why are we not involved?
- Please also see article in the Kingston whig standard on 16 Feb about "Supervised Injection site hit with Class Action Lawsuit" All the things listed in that article will come to our neighborhood, trespass, property damage, discarded needles, human waste, other waste, unsafe areas where local community will lose access, theft, vandalism, assault, nuisance. Even though the front page of the whig on 17 Feb is trying to refute all this. The City and the AMHS have not

been transparent in their intent, they are purposely misleading us and trying to cover. We all know it is a slippery slope even if only transitional housing comes here, it will evolve to the same problems as I have just described and we will inherit a larger version of the ICH hub with more capacity for people. Also the owner of the ICH has indicated to others that the lease will be up so he can pursue other purposes for the location which is his right! Don't forget the lack of emergency responses we will have as more money would be required for police, fire, paramedics etc. The City doesn't have it and if pursued of course all of our property taxes go up. With this transitional housing or relocated ICH in our area our property values will go down, seniors who have worked hard and want to have a peaceful, safe existence. Good luck attracting new folks to the area. Insurance rates will go up as we would have more claims because of damage and criminal activity etc so our area would become higher risk to ensure! Don't let them snow you folks!

- First - please advise all possible and permitted uses for this property as it is presently zoned and what other zoning changes are permitted for possible other uses of this property. Second - discussion is required surrounding residents concerns for example personal safety, criminal activity, noise, camps/camp fires and property value to name only a few. Third - assurances that whatever plan is put in place with local residents will not be changed without further consultation and input from residents.
- I understand the need for transitional housing and how 309 may meet the requirements my concern is that this property will become a site for an encampment as this area is residential with many seniors and families
- Live in the neighbourhood that houses many Seniors & believe that converting this building as proposed would be a real negative threat to their livelihood, safety concerns & overall well being.
- I am completely against, making 309 queen Mary road any kind of supportive or transitional housing facility. It will completely ruin our safe and quiet community. I am a home owner in [REDACTED] and choose this building specifically for its community and safety, and the beautiful trail next door. Inviting people with additions and mental health issues to move in next door will destroy this. You cannot put this next to residential buildings. Our cars will be broken into if not our homes, close by stores will be vandalized. I used to work with this population at Salvation Army. They have no regard for other people or the environment they are in, I have seen it first hand. You need to find a place somewhere downtown or near Montreal street, close to their other services that they need. Please I truly beg you, for my safety and the safety of the elderly and children then live in my building, do not put this here. Instead build an apartment building, make it affordable housing, so that families and everyone can have a nice and peaceful

place to live. Everyone deserves to feel safe and secure in their homes, and you will take that away from us if you decide to go forward with this project.

- None, other than what has been put out by the City. I am not
- i just have a few questions and concerns, and i do think that supportive housing is important and holds value in our community. in the past year we have seen some camps around the area of the train bridge as well as fireworks lit nearby the creek area. I would like to also bring up the concern that further pollution may affect the biodiversity and general cleanliness of the wetlands and the river. In general, i wish that more be done to keep the area clean of pollution or dumping. another concern for me is the use and safety of the trail between bath and princess. I believe the trail should be lit and kept clean and safe . I would love to see the trail paved and made accessible for recreation and commuting by foot or bicycle(or small electric bikes or scooters) we also have many seniors that like to walk around the buildings and it would be awesome if the trail was safe for them to use aswell. one year i did find a bag of needles during the spring pitch-in event. there are also side trails for hiking or dog walking within the area. As a resident in [REDCATED], our neighbours at the current 309 queen mary rd have been pretty quiet neighbours and we havent had much trouble living alongside them. I am concerned that activities outside the supportive housing area may have on the area including safety, cleanliness and property value. some have mentioned the possibility of a safe drug use site which I undersrand to be a controvercial topic givin the area and its proximity to elementary schools and parks. We would also ask that other uses for the land also be considered to help ensure that we can see an improvement for our community. Thank you for listening, [REDACTED]
- I would love to see transitional housing and supportive housing at 309 Queen Mary. It would be a benefit to the community since, clearly, the City has no real plan to remedy the skyrocketing cost of rent and the lack of affordable units for people who are on ODSP and OW. Plus the city has not released any updates on the rent supplement program what expires next month. So yeah, I really think the City should use 309 Queen Mary as transitional and supportive housing, but the City also needs to open similar programs all around the city. AND the city needs to have a plan for building or acquiring a SIGNIFICANT amount of low rent housing because the best way to help the homeless, IS TO HOUSE THEM!
- I am in support of transitional housing to support the unhoused population in Kingston.
- This is not an appropriate location for this type of facility. It will create safety and security problems for the surrounding residential area both personal and property. Property values will decrease. Insurance rates will increase. Tent city will just follow and relocate to the wooded area behind and it has just be



revitalized. Folks won't use the path to walk for feeling unsafe. The current model you have in place on Montreal Street is clearly not working, the model and how services are run needs to be reworked not just existing services and how they are provided relocated!

- I am supportive of this idea and look forward to hearing specific details about the plans for this site in the near future
- I live on [REDACTED] and I am concerned for the safety of the community with the development of a transitional housing facility
- I live on [REDACTED] and we have been experiencing problems for the last two to three years with a tent camp in the conservation area. People who are supplying food, clothes, drugs, or whatever are constantly trespassing on this property. What has this to do with Queen Mary Road and the proposed transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Road? It will increase the crime, drug dealing, theft and general decay of the neighbourhood even further if this is allowed to go ahead. There is going to be great opposition from residents in this area. We will not accept this and be silent. Look what has happened to Montreal Road with their presence and illegal activities. This is not a homeless problem it is a drug problem. The majority of these people have chosen this lifestyle because they do not want to work, comply with rules and regulations as we all have to do and take no responsibility to change their lives. Rehabilitation is available. There are literacy programs, work skill programs but the City Council pussyfoots around catering to them year after year with a negative result. I say no to this proposed plan and will be attending meetings to hear my voice heard.
- Would it work in conjunction with existing care centre or be built? Does supportive include doctors on site? Will it be animal friendly, considering there is a vet across the road?
- The best time to do this project is now or as soon as possible, and of course I am thankful that the property has been purchased by our city. The location is excellent for many reasons which will benefit many clients who need help NOW; will benefit the area with residential housing; and will provide a home for those who want to improve their lives away from the concentrated areas of addictions and homelessness. Good Start !
- I think it is a good idea but must be run with some level of structure and rules. Do not in anyway copy anything that has been done at the Integrated Care Hub. It needs structure, rules, should not harbour people from the police or be a haven for drug trafficking and use. The people need to be carefully screened as there are some who are absolutely not going to be able to function in that environment as they are too addicted and too mentally ill and need much higher levels of support. It is essential that people screened for this project are appropriate for transitional housing and not fully psychotic and unable to manage in the

community. Look at the Hub, and then do everything completely different from how they run it.

- I'm worried that moving the residents from the Montreal Street Hub will become the same mess with the tent encampment that is happening on Montreal Street. There is simply no clear picture from the City of Kingston as to how to deal with this terrible situation. The intersection at Bath and Queen Mary is busy enough without people wandering onto the street, along with the garbage issue, fire issue and those on drugs bothering our homes. As well, there is no indication if there will be psychological or psychiatric help 24/7 for those who need help. The homeless people who lived in the tiny homes are responsible people and can be housed in the former Extencicare facility but a large percentage of the people who now live in tents in the Hub are not responsible so their needs are much higher. The Province must download more funding to cities with these problems because the taxpayers cannot afford the costs associated with these individuals along with all the other City priorities the taxpayers are on the hook for.
- I live in the neighborhood where Extencicare has been for 40 years. I am concerned about public safety given what has taken place at the Integrated Care Hub. It has turned into a drug marketplace. And surrounding neighbours have had problems. Supportive housing is needed and I understand that. It would be important for public safety that the site be made safe from the sort of issues in the ICH. There are many elderly people in the neighborhood and public safety needs to come first.
- 0 I haven't heard anything about this project and I do my best to pay attention
- I am supportive of the transitional housing. I am extremely interested in having this location be a clinic location. I am without a doctor and the ability to see Nurse practitioner or doctor would be a very good way to use this property
- Supportive and transitional housing is needed and this is a great location
- This proposal sounds exactly like what was proposed before the hub opened, and that has turned into a nightmare for all the homeowners living in that area. This sounds like a horrible idea considering how close 309 Queen Mary road is to so many residential apartments and houses.
- Not in favour. Not a suitable use for this site. Suggest more effective consultation process.
- very much support the project
- Great idea
- An integrated plan that includes wrap around services with multi-dwelling is an excellent use of this facility. This is much better than other temporary short term shelter arrangements such as the sleeping cabins that keep getting moved. This allows residents a location to get on their feet while getting necessary adjunct services to support them on their journey.

- '-unable to complete the survey, yet the email sent by the city states "complete survey for 309 Queen mary rd" Will the survey be available at a later date? Please make this clear. Additionally, what will the city do to stop encampments? The residential area has quite a few woods areas which seems popular for encampments. There are presently encampments along the KP trail as well as 401 and little cat and the hub center as well as belle park.
- It seems like a good idea, there are areas that can be used as rooms inside, the bus stops are close. Would the residents have vehicle access if they own a car. The corner to my recollection is a busy one but, the stop signals are good. I am not sure what you are looking for. I do not understand, transitional, is this while the person waits for some other accommodation in a home. Supportive, I believe I understand that part, it is, to me, vague. May be a clearer definition would be good.
- Lets make sure we respect the need and rights of all when setting up this facility.
- I think it could be a good use of the property.
- I think it's a fabulous plan. It is in an area that has access to stores and transportation. The facility is set up for multiple services as well.
- I think it is a great location and a great building for the transitional housing facility.
- These kinds of facilities are essential to the city growing to be a more inclusive and caring place. I would be concerned about access to nearby services: are connections to transit, walkable sidewalks through all seasons, and access for people with mobility issues sufficient. Yes, there are car dealerships and a vet nearby, but it is quite a ways to a convenience store and the future of Frontenac Mall is uncertain. I like the connection between the site and the walkway through to the north, where people can connect to nature.
- Apprehensive about what may happen to property values and what kinds of people will be flooding our neighborhood
- Too close to residential areas.
- I think it is a terrible location. There are many elderly in that area who will now be afraid to go for walks. This is a densely populated area. It seems unfair the city has decided to decrease the property values of so many residents
- This is much needed in Kingston and the location is good with respect to services and transportation. I have not been inside the facility but assume based on current use, if would already have basic necessities - rooms, central food preparation, laundry, common areas etc. A good start!
- Many are concerned about the location of such a facility, being near children etc. Personally I don't think anyone would be pleased for any location. People need help, there is no perfect place.
- I was disappointed the sleeping cabins were discontinued so glad to see this.

- I think this will be a great addition to the City. People do get lost in the system and need assistance to move forward. This model should include disabled persons who need the kind of services that are proposed.
- Converting the facilities in question to transitional housing would be very detrimental to the local community. The key giveaway that this will be bad to the local community is when the city says that mental health workers and others will assist with the temporary residents. It would be much better if the city converted it to affordable living for seniors. This approach would ensure that a legitimate need that doesn't get much press or attention would be met, and the local community wouldn't be victimized by the new residents.
- City needs to take into account when like Okung at facilities more than just what's available. Need to look at 1. Putting homeless shelter in this area will it affect any businesses in the area in a negative way? In this case potentially yes. 2. Does it affect people who have homes in this area by negatively impact the worth of their homes? In this case absolutely. It is difficult for people who have bought homes in nicer neighborhood to then see that their home values will drop considerably. 3. Will the facility be in the best spot for people who will be using it? In many cases no. Many of the services they will require are not easily accessed. I do not live in this area but I would be very upset if I purchased a home in a very nice neighborhood to find out my investment will lose value. People have work potentially their who lives to afford a home in a neighborhood like this and shouldn't have to have that be affected. Yes there is a need for a shelter however it needs to be in the right spot for all. Not just the homeless people. .thank you
- Greetings Having followed developments with the sleeping cabins over the years I would like to make two comments: 1) I live in [REDACTED] and attend [REDACTED] near the Centre 70 site used for the cabins in the past. I can state unequivocally that we have never had any safety or risk concerns in the neighbourhood (which includes an elementary school) because of the residents of the cabins. There were no issues with drugs, increase of crime, or similar concerns while the cabins were nearby. 2) on the other hand, I am not sure the residents of the cabins would be comfortable in the housing that could be provided near Queen Mary Rd. I have had conversations with residents in which they expressed appreciation for the sleeping cabin format and said they appreciated that style greatly over housing in a building. And they are very fearful of a "hub" like environment that they worried might attract bad elements a drug access. I hope this is helpful. I do hope the city can find a place for the residents currently served by the sleeping cabins. [REDACTED]
- I would agree with this facility being used for supportive and transitional housing as long as it does not disrupt the residential area, and no tents be allowed on the premises. My understanding is that this housing is a step toward finding

permanent housing which should therefore allow a maximum time of (12months?) occupancy. I also believe there must be in place rules and guidelines for residents such as no narcotics or smoking. Extendicare was an excellent nursing home but the facility had mediocre ventilation. Narcotics have no place in these types of facilities. Things can quickly escalate into situations that endanger those who truly wish to move forward. Thank you.

- There is not enough public information about what a “supportive and transitional” housing facility entails. What type of residents will live there and how many? What supports will they have? What type of staff will be there? There have been many rumors that this will be the integrated care hub, a safe injections site or the sleeping cabins. My main concern is with moving the integrated care hub to this site. I believe in doing so will create the devaluing of property value around the site. The integrated care hub brings with it the stigma that the properties around it are not safe to live in. Many surrounding properties will have to consider increasing their security and surveillance in areas such as parking garages and lots. 309 Queen Mary Rd sits on the public K&P trail. There have been assaults on this trail. The current integrated care hub has been poorly maintained with garbage and drug paraphernalia piling up around it. There have also been fires started. Who will maintain this new site? What alternatives have been considered?
- How will the residents have access to downtown facilities (ie. Integrated Care Hub, Food bank, Social Services office)?
- I am supportive of 309 Queen Mary becoming transitional housing. It is important that there are safeguards and supports in place for the residents.
- Having worked in the welfare system for 30 years, I have experience working with poor and homeless. I have also watched the neighbourhood in Montreal Street completely deteriorate because of such an initiative.
- I have questions about how the tenants will be supported in the community. If there are individuals with mental health concerns, what measures will be taken to ensure they are stable and well? My main concern is that there is a public school very close by that does not have fencing around it and can be accessed by anyone at anytime. I would like to know the logistics and have more information about how the tenants will be supported while living there.
- I would like to know what is the plan is for this site, What services will be provided and how will the concerns of the residents be heard, addressed and mitigated. I understand that this is a bold step by the city to address the issue of homelessness. It is also one I support. However this is to be drafted it must include the input of the residents .
- I think this is a really bad idea. The city and its providers cannot be trusted to keep the surrounding area clean and safe. This is not a downtown neighborhood.

It will ruin the wetlands, the woods and the nature trails for everyone who uses them. Based on Belle Island and the inability of the city to control behaviour, establishing a service area right next to the woodlands and a trail leading into the backs of houses is unsafe and ill conceived. It will bring unwanted behaviours and crime into a neighbourhood filled with children and seniors causing safety and security issues. It will, quite frankly, ruin the area.

- 1) Personal safety. There are thousands of people who live within a short distance of 309 Queen Mary Road (QMR) and there will be foot traffic through our street by people walking towards the housing and care facility who may be under the influence of narcotics, opioids or other substances. Many of us have children who walk to school every day or who play in the parks near 309 QMR. There are also a significant number of Senior citizens who live in apartment buildings nearby who are distressed about the plans for 309 QMR because they are more vulnerable than other adults if they find themselves in a threatening situation with a disturbed individual. 2) Property values. The City of Kingston must contract an independent consultant to conduct a thorough study of how property values will change in the neighbourhoods surrounding 309 QMR. We are going to suffer deep personal economic losses because of a drop in our property values. Our homes are our legacy to our children. You want to use our tax dollars to buy 309 QMR and in the process you are going to hurt us through the drop in property values so that you can “save” a small group of other people, most of whom cannot even pay taxes? This cannot be. 3) Cancel the purchase of 309 QMR and find a different solution. There’s a vast amount of fallow Federal Government land surrounding the Collins Bay Institution. Purchase some of that land and build a facility there. This is more expensive than buying 309 QMR but it is the better solution for the thousands of people who live in the vicinity of 309 QMR. Maybe the Federal Government will even donate the land.
- I would like to see 309 Queen Mary Road used as housing for the homeless in transition, for shelters for abused women and children, for the mentally ill or for refugees. I would NOT want this to become a centre for supporting drug addicts in their addiction and all the problems they bring to a neighborhood.
- I am very concerned that this will increase the number of tents that are already in the wooded area adjacent to the new path between Bath Rd and Princess St
- I would like to ensure that the following is considered and included in any survey/plans: 1 - Safety/Security/Cleanliness of the trails to the north of Extencicare. What does the city have planned to ensure these trails remain clean, safe, and usable for the general public? It is a popular trail with commuters, dog walkers, families, etc. It is already periodically plagued by people camping out and/or people dumping junk. What impact will transitional housing have on the trails? What will be done to make sure any issues are mitigated? Will I be able to

continue safely walking there with my children and dogs? This will be critical to address during engagement to get community buy-in. 2 - what is the proposed population? What are the proposed services? What organization will be running it? How will it be funded? 3 - What are the options for the property? What other options have been considered? What is currently permitted by its zoning? What options have been ruled out? We also need assurance that the property will be used as intended and not changed to another use down the line. 4 - Is there a guarantee that certain services will not be added at a later date? E.g., Consumption and treatment services, Rest Zone (basically ICH). 5 - has the potential client population been asked if this is a facility they would actually use? Is the location convenient for them? Are the services what they are actually looking for? Will this solve any problems? 6- Has CRCA been consulted as they own the land around the city of Kingston easement and are often the ones who have to deal with illegal camping/cleaning up.

- Currently living with our office being 5 blocks from the care hub. Non stop problems. Moving it is not going to make it better.
- I am in favour of supportive housing in this area, but it must be well-organized, and definitely SUPPORTIVE, if we are talking about people with addiction and mental health issues. There is a beautiful wooded area behind the building, part of Grenville Park and the Conservation area. It is regularly used by myself and other area residents. We do not want this area to become another Belle Park (sic)-like place with encampments and large amounts of garbage. There is obviously a need for more housing in Kingston, and I would most preferably see this space being used for low-income rental units, where support may not be significant, but an affordable place to live is the major need.
- I live at [REDACTED], very near to 309 QM road. I moved to this neighborhood from [REDACTED] as part of the Family Physician Retention program on a 5 year return of service agreement with the city of Kingston. I moved here because of a quiet, safe neighbourhood with two very young children. Supportive and transitional housing would have to be done in a very careful way to avoid any safety concerns to the surrounding communities. I am concerned how broad these terms are and how this can be interpreted in anyway. I would like to hear from the city regarding all possible options about the use of this facility rather than a single handed decision. I would like to have assurances from the city about the effect this may have on surrounding communities. What the city will do if property prices drop. Will the city ensure safety of surrounding communities, prevent encampments from occurring, clean the trails and woods in the areas etc. If a decision is made on the use of this property that will impact the safety of my family, I will unfortunately have to cancel my agreement with the city of Kingston and leave as a Family Doctor and close my practice. I chose where to

live carefully, and a unilateral decision by the city that could effect my family's safety will not be taken lightly. Thank you

- 309 Queen Mary Road is completely inappropriate for transitional housing. It is within walking distance of two major public schools (Polson Park and Madeleine-de-Roybon). The residents nearby are mostly families with young children and seniors. I live in [REDACTED], and the idea of moving the population that frequents the integrated care hub/tent city/Belle Park/tiny houses into my neighbourhood makes me sick. I have two young children and the last time we went downtown, we were shouted at by a lady yelling [REDCATED] at me. My children cried for two days. I do not want to have to scour the park for needles and meth pipes before playing with the kids. The hub has been a disaster. That area of town looks like the Vancouver downtown east side. It has been a beacon to other transient populations, rather than a harm reduction site for our existing vulnerable population. The people who work there sell drugs to the users of the hub. Moving the mess you have made with the hub into my neighbourhood is not the solution. It is telling that the counsellor for the area, [REDACTED] is the only person who voted against this plan. It is disgusting to me that you would allow it in my neighbourhood but not in your own. I also want to say that 309 Queen Mary is currently set up as an LTC. We have a significant lack of LTC! This drives bed shortages at KGH and Providence Care Hospital. The reason for the long ED wait times is that patients are admitted to hospital, but cannot get a bed due to patients waiting for long-term care, and these patients end up stuck in the emergency room for DAYS. I am a physician who works in a hospitalist and will soon work in LTC. I see tremendous value in continuing to use this facility as an LTC. Renovating it and re-opening it as an LTC will be a popular move, and will benefit the city dramatically by freeing hospital beds. As a family physician who has worked hard to provide services to Kingston (a city known for its lack of family doctors!), I feel betrayed that the city feels it is appropriate to put me and my family in danger because it has not appropriately managed the drug and homelessness crisis it has perpetuated. I am hoping that you will stand up for what is right and protect the children who attend Polson Park and Madeleine-de-Roybon, and my neighbourhood, by saying NO to transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Road. Regards, [REDACTED]
- I have many concerns about the supportive and transitional housing facility. I have spent the last two day's viewing and talking to residents who live close to the integrated care hub and the emergency shelter at Frontenac School (sic). I Have also spoken to people who work with the homeless who occupy the sleeping huts. 1). The garbage, the tents and the drug and alcohol use at the Integrated care hub (sic) poses health concerns for people living in that area. The mental illness component does not seem adequately addressed. The sheer



number of homeless residents in that area have deterred people from using the walkways. I am concerned that using Extencicare to house so many homeless persons would bring the issues from Montréal street (sic) into a densely populated area that has many children and vulnerable elderly. I am concerned about crime. I am also concerned about the conservation area and the recent improvements that now make it easy to enjoy the conservation area and the wetlands. I would not feel safe walking the trails if it looks like the current Care hub (sic). 2, Also, I talked with a person who lives close to [REDACTED] and expressed concern over the amount of needles and garbage. She also said that her apartment building needed to add locks to the entrance because individuals would sleep there during the day. She also said her children could not leave the apartment without her because she was concerned about their safety. 3, I have spoken to people who worked with the residents of the sleeping huts which were supposed to be transitional housing, but many have been there from when they first opened. Very few have transitioned. Also, the sleeping huts are a safe place for them to do drugs and alcohol. The woods and the conservation area is an area where many children explore and play. I moved into this area because I Believed it to be safe. I am very concerned about my safety, my property, and the value of my property.

- I would like more information about what will be going on at the new facility and how many employees and how much capacity will they have.
- Hello there, I am here to actively participate in the communication about future plans/use for facility known at this time to be listed as one at 309 Queen Mary Road, Kingston. I hope you can clarify to me, and take into consideration at any future decisions for above property, the points below: (1) I wonder how is city of Kingston able to start planning of future of property that is not yet sold to the city or any other party? (2) I wonder why above mentioned property is/was not offered for transparent, competitive public tender? Would purchasing such a property without tender be legal? (3) As the above property was previously sold (as is my understanding) with irrevocable clause to be used only and solely and with no exceptions as nursing home, and as this clause is still in place, is not a talk about different uses (such as for "supportive and transitional housing") legally directly against previously stipulated, agreed and signed legal contract? (4) As this property is already set up and run (and legally approved) to be run as senior/nursing home, I fully support it's use to continue as such (run by city of Kingston or other party). As a matter of fact, such a use is most needed in our community and I feel - would be welcomed by many - because of fast growing number of seniors of " strong baby boomers" generation. If consider as such, use of senior home for senior housing would be indeed a welcomed step toward respecting our aging generation of citizen who - by their hard work and tax

contributions - helped to build Kingston the way it is now. Respectfully,  
[REDACTED]

- I feel that the CBC Belleville reporter did a great job of telling the community where the fault lies, there are many reasons for our homeless situation and we must try to alleviate the root causes with compassion and common sense. There is no question we need affordable housing for all ages that must be managed and maintained on a regular basis. This housing also needs Social Workers and community helpers on site. We have a large contingent of young and old who are not able to take care of themselves. They need constant guidance and supervision. We can not afford to allow buildings to stay vacant while the problem of homelessness is so rampant. Hope to see Extencicare re-purposed soon
- I am a mental health nurse and live in walking distance to 309 Queen Mary Road. My initial thoughts in hearing that the Extencicare facility would be for transitional housing was one of understanding and cautious support. I have since heard that the ICH (sic) lease is ending and we are looking at what services should be provided at 309 Queen Mary Road. My biggest fear is that the ICH (sic) model will just be moved to this location. That would be a tremendous mistake and I hope the city understands this can not happen. Trauma (Big T, or little t) is the primary underlying factor for addiction (used as a coping mechanism) and mental health issues. To heal from trauma one needs to feel safe. The people housed in Extencicare location need to feel safe to and have an opportunity to thrive in life. The community around this housing project also need to feel safe and not further perpetuate trauma in the community at large. Putting a bunch of people with addiction and mental health issues who are actively using is a recipe for disaster. I hope that that there will be policies that support this being a clean house, and that trauma informed counsellors are on staff. You not want support staff leaving because of burnout and unsafe conditions. We need a higher level of support for those who are unsafe to themselves and/or others. This may be a psychiatric facility, drug rehab, hospital service, prison facility or a combination of all of these. I understand reintegration into the community, but we can not have this when people are actively at risk of hurting themselves or others. Temporary institutionalization is needed in these instances. It is a right for people to have their basic needs met, but not at the expense of the community at large being at risk. A higher level of care is needed for the most vulnerable, and I do not think that this should be at the Extencicare location.
- I would be interested in learning more details about what a supportive and transitional housing facility would mean for the surrounding residents?
- Three years ago, in one of the online consultations with the City of Kingston and residents about the ICH (integrated care hub) at 661 Montreal St. (sic), the City maintained that one of the paramount factors for choosing the Montreal St

location was access. In one statement the City wrote “The ICH is perfectly positioned amongst a number of key supportive resources and overall, it is easy for vulnerable citizens to locate and access”(1).The proposed site for supportive transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Rd. is arguably much different to the Montreal St location and is definitely nowhere near the downtown area, which appears to be the area of highest need. So why choose a location 5km away? It makes sense to provide a facility such as this where the people need it; I would argue that it is also logical to choose a location close to a hospital or trusted health clinic, like Street Health on Barrack St. (sic) The Extendicare facility at 309 Queen Mary Rd is in a residential neighbourhood with a couple of car dealerships, a vet clinic and a small strip mall – hardly a location positioned to best provide services to individuals with mental health challenges, substance use and addictions. In addition, [REDCATED], member of the Board of Directors of OLS, “Our Liveable Solutions”, which oversees the sleeping cabins, recommends that the most effective housing options for those with the aforementioned needs, are those that are small installations throughout the city that house 20-25 residents and have wrap around supports(2); a facility of 150 beds is not ideal for this purpose. However, the City could certainly use the 309 Queen Mary Rd facility to meet the needs of residents waiting for a long-term care bed. According to an Ontario government website(3), there are 150 licensed beds in the 309 Queen Mary Rd. Extendicare facility and 313 people on the waiting list. In the new west-end Extendicare, there will be 192 beds(4). There are also 40,000 people in Ontario waiting for a long-term care bed according to the OLTCA, the Ontario Long Term Care Association(5). So, why not continue to use the Extendicare premises as a long-term care or nursing home? Responsible renovations like energy retrofits (improving insulation, ventilation and installing heat pumps etc) would likely be required given that the facility was built in the 1970s, much like the renovations we did on our 50s-era home when we moved to Kingston. But maintaining the overall purpose of the facility (from its inception) would surely satisfy residents in surrounding communities and meet a tremendous need in the Kingston area. References [REDACTED]

- Thank you for the opportunity to give feedback on the Extendicare use and also thank the city for all the efforts put into helping the unhoused in Kingston. I have been in the area of Meadowbrook Strathcona Grenville park since 1989. Extendicare has been part of our residential community for the past 50 years and is a wonderful example of how to care for and include our most vulnerable seniors. It has served everyone beautifully and peacefully. Currently, Kingston has 345 vulnerable seniors languishing on Affordable Long term care waitlists in the city and that is just for Rideaucrest (sic). That is a crisis. We know that the city over all, and our area has many single low income seniors (mostly women)

who retired to the surrounding apartment buildings. Seniors who owned homes in our community-they paid their taxes raised their kids. So-I wonder. Will they have to leave this community to access the LTC they may eventually need? Will they be the ones Forced to leave their friends and family supports- all they know with no choices and get warehoused in a LTC perhaps out of town if they can't care for themselves? Many seniors suffer in silence. They are invisible. Do our senior friends and neighbours in our community NOT matter? And if so why is that? We need to ask ourselves that question. We need to keep 309 QMR as a LTC for our seniors. To open a psych social rehabilitation transitional housing facility in a residential neighbourhood-sounding very similar to the one that was on the Kingston Psychiatric Hospital grounds up until the 1990's-will lead to the same conflict and serious issues as we have at the ICH and Belle Park. Not to mention that the legal liabilities will be significant. 309 Queen Mary Rd is part of Cataraqui Conservation a large environmentally sensitive area, heavily wooded and with walking trails and is home to some endangered species such as the Blanding's turtles. I hope that you consider my comments and keep the LTC in the community as there is a urgent and growing need for it. The city has a good reputation for the homes it currently operates an we all want that to continue into the future. A bold idea and hopefully a more effective model is a small village to serve and take care of the population at Belle Park and the ICH (sic) -who are the hard to serve: the unhoused the severely mentally ill and addicted populations. This could be created around the former KPH site. There are models for this. Set up small groups consisting of 5 or 6 compatible clients within the facility in different areas with main communal areas. As the clients bond and form relationships -they will also help each other. I'm hopeful that the federal government who owns some of those buildings would be willing to assist if there was a business case put forward. Partners can be Providence Hospital KGH Hotel Dieu, Street Health and Queens University, St Lawrence College (sic). Engage students and interns. I wonder will the AMHS and other agencies have a community and service user assessment done? There is so much to be learned from the feedback. They have 4 years of data and we need to understand whether we are going in the right direction and whether they are the most effective agencies. We need to change what needs to be changed and to not enable or perpetuate another Belle Park and ICH crisis anywhere else in the city.

- It is unfortunate that we have no foreknowledge about this purchase but it is understood that it was "In Camera". The building in is an area where there are 6 schools within a short distance and therefore many children close by as well as a large number of seniors living in their own homes. This kind of facility would be a detriment to the well-being of our community and substantially affect our way of life. If the sale goes ahead, it would be beneficial to have certain aspects related

to its use adhered to. These could include not camping - lots of wooded area close by as at Belle Park which would make camping risky with the dangers of fires etc. Perhaps a high non-wood fence could be erected on the perimeter to deter "wandering" into the nearby neighbourhood which would affect the peace and quiet currently in place. While I have no objection to the City purchasing property to provide housing for vulnerable citizens, I do not feel this is an appropriate location as we have vulnerable people living in the close neighbourhood whose well-being should also be respected. I look forward to public discussions regarding the issues and sincerely hope the City is able to find an alternate location.

- Using a different location not so close to Suburban Residential for Homeless transitional housing would be a better choice for everyone. Something else that benefits the community could go in the Extended Care site. Using Transitional Housing out in the Country on a Farming environment much like a Correctional Half Way Residence would provide more for Homeless Rehabilitation and Transition back into the Community including the use of Income Allowance for Work done or stay clean on an every Six month period.
- It would be way too close to schools and families. I completely am with them getting a transitional housing, but I don't think right there is the best idea. It would make my kids feel very unsafe. Please reconsider the location.
- I cannot support this location as being suitable for this purpose at this time, based on the City's track record with the Belle Park failure and the fact that "transitional" housing has largely failed to live up to its name with the previous cabin project. The City establishing more credibility in the housing support portfolio and through establishing and conveying defined, steadfast and reasonable parameters for a transitional, or more aptly named housing support program to operate within would go some distance to obtaining support for a proposal like this.
- This facility is designed for medical purposed to care for Kingston residents. It should NOT be used as a homeless hub!!!
- concern that the citizens being rehoused may be inclined to bring undesirable behaviour and habits into the existing community - community safety and property safety is a huge concern.
- In my opinion, this former long-term care facility would be a good choice for transitional housing with support services provided on site. Individual rooms with bathrooms, showers, a kitchen and dining area, and common areas for group activities would meet the needs of people who are currently unhoused and facing health challenges as well as provide the needed space for mental health and addictions services to be provided on site. I opposed the sleeping cabins at Rodden Park because I believe that people who are unhoused deserve a more

comfortable and stable environment. My concerns are that a safe injection site could be established here which could lead to dangerous situations for nearby apartment residents, and tents could be erected on the grassy area behind the old Extendicare building with the potential for violence and overdoses. This website stated that "this property is not intended to be the location for the existing Integrated Care Hub", but it would be more reassuring to state that this property will not be the location for the existing Integrated Care Hub.

- I think it's an excellent and much-needed idea.
- I fully back the creation of more supportive and transitional housing in the city.
- Community safety is paramount both for residents of the facility and area residents; what supervision will be in place? Will mental health supports be available 24 hrs for crisis or unexpected incidences; good lighting; ongoing social & education supports for seamless integration into the community; opportunities for connection with residential community members to foster understanding (open house??);
- The plan should specify whether in addition to refurbishing the existing facility there is any intention to include the provision of small independent homes. If the plan is only to refurbish the existing site there needs to be a clear description of the number and classification of the intended residents. there should be a pilot test or some way of evaluating and changing course and also, city of Kingston planners should be able to demonstrate similar successful projects in other areas, in order to avoid a similar waste of resources, time and effort as was demonstrated with the tiny homes project and its possible relocation to Roden Park and/or the marina, both of which were strongly opposed for different reasons by members of the community.
- I am concerned about the lack of social services in that particular area, the distance to affordable grocery stores, the experience of the Hub on Montreal Street, where the property was neglected and neighboring businesses and homeowners were negatively impacted by the behaviour of Hub residents, the use of drugs and levels of violent crime including a murder and fires as well the negative impact on people who were using the walking trails in that area but were prohibited due to safety concerns. In other words. there are many concerns about the possible use of this space within a residential neighborhood and the impact on neighbors.
- It has to have enough physical and mental health resources integrated so the homeless population being housed are well taken care of. But this facility seems to offer the space and the infrastructure to be able to offer all that. And while the ICH is said not to move there... why not? If this building has so much space, wouldn't it offer a space to the population currently in encampments? This is a chance do to things right. If needs a lot of support staff to help the people in

need, then rally the different small organizations working in stove pipe from each other and work together in this facility. Enough with the individual initiatives. This facility can offer everyone to work together to help a lot more people than the sum of the individual initiatives (ICH, OLS, etc...).

- Having a permanent structure and stable solution to help homeless and vulnerable people would be a phenomenal thing. This seems like a great way to repurpose this building.
- I would not like to see that type of facility at that location.
- This neighborhood cannot shoulder anymore crime and safety issues. “Supportive and transitional housing” from AMHKS is, as they state, for people with complex housing, social (and addiction) needs. We are the third highest crime area in the city and it is shameful that the city wants to move 100-150 homeless people into “transitional” housing in this area. Please listen to the recent Whig interview with [REDACTED], who live on [REDACTED], if you have any questions as to WHY we are vehemently opposed to this.
- NO THANK YOU to any Addictions Mental Health Services Kingston/Trellis transitional housing. The neighborhood is already saturated with "people with complex social and health care needs". We want our seniors and children to feel safe on busses, in parks, on the streets. Those experiencing complex mental health issues can be very scary and intimidating to the community, and struggle to integrate into a "residential neighborhood". What the city DOES need is a housing facility for International Students, so they are not living ten to a 3 bedroom house as they currently do in Polson Park. Housing for refugees. Housing for seniors that need assistance. More daycares. More beds such as Providence Transitional Care Centre (PTCC) - specialized inpatient services designed to promote and preserve wellness and functionality in older adults, while addressing gaps in restorative and specialized services. Housing for people experiencing physical disabilities. Housing for families from elsewhere who have hospitalized family members Community gardens??
- I live in [REDACTED], and I am hearing a lot of misinformation (discussions, social media) about the facility and its purposes. As well, people have delivered flyers in our mailbox about the facility with fear-mongering messages that it is the ICH and the safety of our neighbourhood is at risk; Value of homes will decrease. I am supportive of this initiative. I would like more information given directly to the surrounding neighbourhoods so that people can be properly informed and not make decisions on fear and/or misinformation. I think it's important that information be as accessible as possible. Transportation, lack of Internet access, and ESL could be barriers to residents of low Socioeconomic status.
- We don't need this in our area of town. There are schools very very near by. At least put places like this NOT near our children & where they go for education

and to play. No brainer. In the very least- We have all seen or heard of the violence that occurs - non provoked, sudden, drug fueled violence - even murders that take place on our streets or even in our own homes by people like this. It's happened a couple of times in our City over the last few years. Suppose these people are 100% clean (which would be impossible- I don't trust or believe that for ONE minute)- the friends & family that visit them are not. So guess where they go after their visit, especially the bored, jobless friends & family - they go right up into our neighbourhoods to bike around, up to no good. I've seen it many many times before I sure wouldn't let my teens be walking to any bus stop in the area or playing basketball behind the school after dark - without me there. Or skateboard at the well used skateboard park where several kids hang around daily. There are plenty of elderly in Polson Park. Long long time residents. They don't need the stress about watching their backs around their long time homes. That's not fair to them or the children & the schools in the area. Polson Park Public especially. IT would be the closest neighbourhood. Us adults can fend for ourselves & be aware & watch our own backs - our elderly & children wont be able to nor should they have to. Put this transitional housing elsewhere. No schools near by. Put it near your houses - see how you like it. It wouldn't take long for you to see your neighbourhood going downhill.....Put it in the outskirts of the city somewhere. And those concerns are just for starters, just the MAIN concerns.

- Against it. I worry the kids (mine included) in the area would be the most at risk. It doesnt seem to matter night or day anymore-drugs have turned crime into an all time high in the city. In the world. ALL/ANY type of crime. Would I want my teen walking to the bus stop in our area and feel comfortable anymore with it? Simply walking to a friends place-night or daytime? Not safe. Wouldn't be safe. It's not rocket science. It's simply wouldn't be as safe as it is now-with the transitional units going in there. No one can argue that. And I don't know who said there would be more police & bylaw presence??? No there wouldn't. There isn't anywhere else. They are busy patrolling the streets and removing undesirables from restaurants and door ways when the public call for assistance. Unless the city is spending more money to have an office on site 24/7-there certainly won't be a frequent police presence there. Why would there be? There isn't anywhere else with places like this. They are too busy with everyday events. So negative - I'm not in support of this near my neighborhood. My opinion - for my children's safety. They are too unpredictable on drugs-as we have seen over & over & over again in the recent years. And WILL get worse.
- Effort needs to be made to ensure that the lives of local residents are not negatively impacted by this move. I approve of the plan and purchase in general but there is a high likelihood that I will no longer be able to walk my dog or young



son down that path due to an increased presence of drug paraphernalia. Whatever can be done to keep the area clean and usable for other residents should be looked at

- I have already submitted an answer to this question. However after attending the meeting at Polson Park church I feel that I need to add and change my answer a bit. After attending that meeting I got the distinct feeling that the city has no idea what it is doing with Extendicare at this time. however after reading the press statement from the mental health services I very definately see what they want to do with it. Whether the residents in this area like it or not City of Kingston will do whatever it wants. In this regard our area needs to work with the city to ensure the right type of facility gets in. This area is heavily residential, with people from all walks of life. There is a public school within a 5 minute walk, a highschool within a 10 minute walk. Severla youth shelters, a half way house and a prison. There is public housing, middle income housing and very wealthy housing in this area. It is a very mixed bag in all 3 neighbourhoods. It is one of the things that makes this area unique in the city. Behind extendicare there is a conservation area and a residential area that can not have fences due to the nature of its co-op and its relation to the conservation area. Putting any kind of drug rehab here would be a huge mistake. The counsellor at the meeting said this was not going to happen, but the mental health societies press release negates that. That being said, transitional housing, senior ltc for homeless or near homeless individuals, housing for families that have lost their homes (and that is going to increase greatly in the next year as rent prices and food prices keep skyrocketing), Using hte 3 acres for community gardens and the growth of produce for families that can't afford it. There are so many other uses that will help kingston that aren't a hub type place. What bothered me most in that meeting was the fact that the city seems ot want to make it a jack of all trades place. If you don't focus and have a plan it will fail and will take all of these tax paying and voting neighbourhoods with it.
- This property is within a 5 minute walk of a public school, that has a huge yard. It backs onto a conservation area. If a safe injection site and/or needle exchange is put here there will be an encampment within days. This is a residential area full of families from poor to rich. Extendicare backs onto an area with million dollar homes. The city has been unable to control the Hub or its residents. It has destroyed that part of kingston. The police do nothing to stop all the break ins and thefts in kingscourt and mcburney park, which have increased drastically since the opening of the hub. Now you want to put something triple its size in a residential area? This facility can not be for rehab or drug use, it will destroy this area. A facility that houses over 100 homeless and potentially will also have the tiny homes moved there. Our area already has a youth shelter, a half way house

and a veterans shelter(coming soon). This is to much for one area. Polson park, Calvin, baden park, Grenville park, and Strathcona park are wonderful, quiet, family areas that will be destroyed if this becomes a hub. Use it for immigrants as a stepping stone, people who are waiting for social housing, long term care for all the homeless in wheelchairs/ disabled. Anything but drug treatment or needle exchange. Also, the city needs to be transparent on this. No more secrets or behind doors meetings. We deserve a say in this and to be part of the decision that will greatly affect our lives, our schools, our children, and our property values.

- I feel there is a lack of information of which ACTUAL services and which particular clientele will be potentially served at this location.
- Agree with location and good use of existing building
- I live nearby in [REDACTED] and I think that making a transitional housing facility at Queen Mary road is an excellent idea. The city obviously needs more resources to help the unhoused and this location provides access to transit and is close enough to the Kingston centre to provide access to major amenities and potential employment opportunities. There is also a significant amount of lower cost housing (in as much as such a thing exists anymore) nearby, which would allow people to move from the street back into permanent housing. There will be certain impacts on the community wherever a transitional housing facility is placed, but these will certainly be better than the current impacts of not having a facility. These impacts would also be minimized at this location since much of the adjacent area includes the cataraqui creek estuary. I would urge the city to make the new facility accessible to the broadest group of unhoused persons possible. Many shelters do not allow for persons to cohabitate with partners or pets or require that people refrain from any sort of substance use. To the degree that these restrictions can be safely avoided they should be to encourage more people to use the transitional housing facility rather than continue sleeping rough.
- I have no issues with that project. However, I am concerned about the classism that tends to rise in communities following announcements like these - please work toward educating the general public in Kingston that having poor people around isn't cause for concern. It's discrimination and it's really bad here, and it also contributes to the rampant discrimination by landlords in Kingston (often explicitly in their ads) against tenants on social assistance. I even got a flyer from a neighbour recently saying "we don't want these people here and they shouldn't be living near anyone" for the mini homes. Please address these issues with education and awareness.
- Very happy to hear about this initiative.

- It is an awful location for it. It will destroy the neighborhood that hosts many elderly , new immigrants and young families . Plus there is not much else around besides residential housing and car dealerships.
- I am aligned with the residents of Queen Mary road and the surrounding area. I believe that this is not the right spot for transitional housing. Instead, the community would benefit from having a family medicine office in place. The 309 Queen Mary rd location is close to many schools and is located in a family-friendly residential area. The residents require more health care support and not transitional housing.
- I support the idea of housing more folks in our community
- With 309 Queen Mary Road being promoted as a better option, reassurance to the surrounding neighbourhood is of utmost importance. Continual 'open and updated' reports to City Hall AND to the public which includes Emergency calls, should and needs to happen. Ensure trained Support Workers keep residents in line with hoarding and garbage. I would like to hear about the residents (the same as people in Institutions) helping to keep the property clean, learn to make meals etc., which will help build their own confidence and strive to getting healthy. Currently, we live in an area with the sheds and previously the Ontario Hospital. My Father lives near [REDACTED] and you only have to ask the Police the number of calls they have to answer. We all would like a moment of peace where we did not have to constantly look over our shoulder locking everything down or waking up to drunk / drug people laying in our yards etc. I would ask to please understand the fear everyone has. Ensure Professional dedicated Support Workers do not let Extencicare turn out like the Hub (sic). Thank you.
- As a resident in this area, my pre-engagement feedback would be that I need more information to give feedback on. 1. What possible options are being considered for this facility? Is it supportive, transitional, medical treatment, accessible housing, special needs, subsidized, not for profit, transient, post federal institutional, rehabilitative, homeless shelter, student, asylum seekers, family, youth, older adults? 2.What is this land currently zoned for? Are considerations being made to change this-and if so- to include what? This would then change the list of possible options listed in #1. 3. Make space and take time to listen to the community's concerns regarding specific potential plans for this facility. There are a lot of people who live within a 2 minute walk of this facility, as there are many apartment buildings. A real survey of community residents.4. Reassurance of transparency of proposals for this facility. There is so much potential.
- This project should be approached with caution and understand the potential for another short sighted plan. Although the Hub is not moving to this location it could be a disaster in a different way. The green space that is adjacent to 309

Queen Mary was willed to provide a safe space for generations to use. This could potentially be a huge version of Belle Park (sic). Rideau Trail Association will no doubt have an issue with this. More thought needs to be invested in this to provide a safe area for all who may use it or live in the area.

- I live in [REDACTED] in my home that was my parent's home. First house built in [REDACTED]. I am interested realizing the need for housing in Kingston.
- This is not an appropriate location for this project. It is too close to family homes and conservation lands.
- I am deeply worried about the implications for the forest which stretches behind people's houses in that area. I am worried about safety of young children playing in that area and this must be taken into account in the planning of this project.
- 1) My impression is that a proportion of people in need of transitional housing may be struggling with addiction. My understanding is that it is very difficult for someone struggling with substance use disorder and who has a goal of abstinence to stop using when living with others who are also using drugs. We might be doing a disservice for someone with a substance use disorder when lodging them with other drug users. With its very high bed count, the Queen Mary Road facility will make it extremely difficult for someone who wishes to stop using to actually do so independently of the amount of health services they might have access to on site just because of the proximity to drugs. 2) The wooden area behind this facility is a safety issue for both the people living in the facility and people of the surrounding neighbourhoods (people with psychiatric illness/substance users getting lost alone in the winter/ODs/assault with no bystanders to help). 3) Could the city inform its population of the research/data behind this initiative. What percentage of the future residents of this facility is expected to have a diagnosis of substance use disorder/psychotic disorders, how long are residents expected to be housed at this facility, what evidence do we have of benefits vs potential harm of similar initiatives. 4) Could this facility be better used for other purposes - long term psychiatric facility part of our hospital system, long term accommodation for low income seniors.
- As a resident and homeowner in [REDACTED], I am personally supportive of the facility as I currently understand it (emphasizing that my understanding is highly imperfect and incomplete at present), subject to having more information on how the City intends to manage it and ensure that the facility residents understand and accept the character of the surrounding area. At the moment, it is not at all clear exactly what is intended or how the facility will be operated and managed. It will be important for the City to ensure that neighbours are made active participants in the process and not just invited to contribute to pro forma consultations when important decisions have already been made.

- I am concerned about the future of the Extencicare building. I understand that it is a very convenient space for the city to buy and an easy way to point out that the city is trying something new with the unhoused population after years of programs and plans that haven't worked out. It is a good news story – and the City of Kingston needs a good news story on the topic. I also understand how complicated the situation is at every level and I have extensive empathy for those who are unhoused. I think asking our neighbourhood to be the place for 100 unhoused people to find transitional housing is asking too much. [REDACTED] from Our Livable Solutions agreed – saying in a recent Global News Article “We would like to see small installations throughout the city where it's 20, 25 people in a location that have wraparound supports.” I think that is a much more realistic ask of our community. My husband and I spent 5 years in Canberra, Australia – a city designed in the 20th century in a very specific and intentional way. One of the pieces of design that I thought was particularly clever was the way that every neighbourhood within the city was designed to have low-income housing which allowed for it to be spread out across the city. This meant that there were not “bad” areas of town and allowed school resources to be spread out more equally. Spreading out transitional housing like this makes sense – it asks less of the existing community. This approach would also have the benefit of allowing the city to trial a program like this and make sure it CAN work within the City of Kingston's infrastructure and provide a pathway for success in other neighbourhoods. As [REDACTED] said in the Global News Article, “It's probably going to be a bit of a first of its kind. I'm not aware of other facilities — especially with the health care aspect...” It is an experiment – and should be approached with a low capacity to begin with and see how it goes. That being said, there are plenty of other services that are desperately needed in Kingston that the Extencicare space could fill. The obvious answer, and one that would need little work to accomplish – is to keep the facility a long-term care home to complement the services that Rideau Crest provides. There is a long waitlist for these services – this seems like an easy solution without much alternations needed to the building. Sure, it isn't an easy media win for the City as an un-housed transitional housing, but adding 100 beds of capacity to city-owned long-term care homes would help many people who desperately need support. Another option? Turning the Extencicare building into a city-owned and operated clinic for family doctors and nurse practitioners. I know there is a sizable amount of money in the budget dedicated to attracting family doctors. Providing the overhead costs would be an excellent way to attract and keep family doctors. This would require some retrofitting – but the amount of people this could help in the city would be huge. It would also be a really positive news story for the city, and help to take a dent out of the number of people who don't have a family doctor. I am disappointed by the

lack of engagement on the topic as a nearby resident. This is something that will directly impact my family and my community. I want to ensure that our neighbourhood is able to continue being outdoor and community-centric - and worry that the large population the city is looking at bringing here could have huge implications for the way we live our lives.

- It is hoped that the medical aspect of the site will be utilized. For instance, many elderly homeless require continuing medical care and are released from hospitals, only to subsequently return. They could be sent to a site such as this, with physicians who can care for them and others.
- Wait times in the hospital emergency department and hallway medicine are largely driven by a lack of affordable seniors housing, nursing homes, home care and respite care for frail patients who no longer need an acute care bed in hospital. As the baby boomers age these challenges are going to be greater with each passing year. I propose that the extendicare facility be used as transitional housing for medically frail patients from our local hospital as both a long term nursing home type facility with services for respite care and transitional housing for medically frail individuals no longer needing acute care. This will have the added benefit to the wider community of offloading our acute care hospital contributing to shorter wait times in ED and increasing availability of acute care beds. The scale of the facility if appropriately staffed could have a major positive impact on the flow of patients in and out of our acute care hospital providing appropriate services in appropriate places for patients in need.
- Thanks for your community engagement, and thank you for clarifying in the FAQ that this will not be a future site for safe injections or needle exchanges. Given the scale of the proposed facility as well as the significant public green space surrounding it, these services would pose a major concern for safety and discarded paraphernalia. I am writing to request that the city put into action a bylaw as an act of good faith so that these decisions are not altered in the future. Thank you again.
- The neighborhood surrounding 309 Queen Mary Rd. is family oriented, many of them with children and is absolutely the wrong location for a transitional housing facility. Facilities of this nature are utilized primarily by people who suffer from mental issues and substance abuse. These are two polar opposite segments of society that you expect to cohabit in a small neighborhood, It is such an ill fated plan it's beyond rational reasoning.
- I absolutely do not want it. I live kitty corner to 309 QMR, and there is absolutely no way a supportive and transitional housing facility doesn't bring theft, drug use, crime, and aggressive people into the area. Children are walking and biking to school, the path that you just paid to finish will be unsafe for regular use, and it

was pretty shady of you to do this all behind closed doors and then drop it on the community like you're heroes and we'd just accept it. Put it somewhere else.

- My main concern is that 309 Queen Mary Road will become another Hub (sic) eventually, and our quiet, safe neighbourhood will be ruined. The lovely trail to Bath Rd. will become another garbage dump and there will be people living in the woods, starting fires, stealing etc.
- 'I believe a supportive & transitional housing facility inevitably brings with it issues such as: Encampments on the trails, Property damage, Break-ins, Safety concerns for everyone involved ie. Needles, drugs paraphernalia strewn about the neighbourhood. I've experienced this too many times in/around areas when I lived in Toronto and know, for a fact, this is what happens. I would like to suggest one of the following services be offered/opened at 309 Queen Mary Road: Community centre , A Day care centre, Library, Museum, Place of worship or wellness clinic. Thank you for your time
- Horrible idea that will ruin the neighborhood
- I am concerned about the potential impact of the 309 Queen Mary road project on the natural spaces in the area, as well as the routines of children in the community. It is important to me that this project is implemented in a way that minimizes any negative impact on the surrounding environment and community, while still achieving the project's goals. I believe it is crucial to consider alternative approaches and solutions that address these concerns. However, I am disappointed that these considerations may not have been taken into account when the property was purchased. I feel that the decision to purchase the property may have been based solely on the fact that it was available and met the city's requirements, without proper consideration for the potential impact on the surrounding area and community. I hope that the project team will take my concerns into consideration and work to ensure that the project is implemented in a way that is sensitive to the needs of the community and the natural environment. I believe that by working together, we can find solutions that benefit everyone involved.
- Access to health care is already limited in the community. So happy that primary health care may be a focus of the project. Keeping the area and building and respecting the surrounding conservation area is very important. Ecstatic that the building is not going to be torn down for condos or apartments.
- Learn from the mistakes. Our neighborhood is already facing increased crime, break ins, damage to property, vandalism, and yes a home invasion. With very little policing or response by the police in our neighborhood, this is an area that has to be addressed. Mental health care has to be addressed, addiction services need to be addressed before even considering opening up housing for homeless

individuals. Why not look at affordable housing for seniors? This is not being addressed in our community at all.

- I am concerned about the condition of the existing building and the number of residents who will be receiving supports and residing at this facility.
- Very apprehensive. We have witnessed the ongoing issues that resulted from the Hub facility location on Montreal St (sic) and are concerned that a similar situation will develop here. The adjacent wooded area running along the Rideau Trail maybe another Belle Park in the making.
- 309 Queen Mary Road is a good choice for a transitional housing facility...on the condition that it will be appropriately staffed and maintained on a 24/7 basis. This would include vigilance on the city's part to ensure another encampment like the tragic Belle Park situation does not materialize in the woods/trails behind Balsam Grove and Grenville Park. There are already two tents that I am aware of in the woods close to the creek. These trails are used daily by myself, families and children.
- Our peaceful existence will be diminished, not because we have done anything wrong BUT MORE SO because the level of humans that will participate in this program will ALWAYS be looking for what they can get free...i.e. my personal belongs that belong to me cause increased vehicle break ins; trespassers on our properties; [REDACTED] looking for there next option to inflect their needs and wants on me and my family without my consent. Closing thoughts...when it is common knowledge that Montreal Street (sic) is the area of choice for the type of community you want force upon this neighborhood...These people want to commune in the Montreal sector which has already been determined a a drug/homeless sector of our City...why not keep them in the lower class area and buy up properties within that location without working on creating many low end communities in our beautiful city. If you proceed and my property value diminishes, there should be recourse against our Government as I will never have an opportunity recap my losses. Again I ask you...why not where you live... I have not even discussed the effects on children, and all elderly people in this and surrounding communities. I want to be made abreast of all the processes that are and will be happening at this location and within this project. PLEASE put me on notice for all general public meetings.
- It was interesting for our Mayor and the article in the WHIG to be so direct and emphatic that Queen Mary would not become an ICH (sic). At no time during the speech of the Mayor was it evidenced ATALL that it may become an integrated housing system. I for one would be most interested in understanding the "EXACT USAGE WORDING FOR AN INTEGRATED HOUSING PROJECT?" please? After reading the WHIG article it seems one of the most difficult challenges for



the Hub has been to attract qualified staff. It an assumption on my part, however is staffing is at a shortage for the like minded people that access ICH and transitional housing...and Kingston is choosing to create ANOTHER placement area at Queen Mary.....where is the staffing coming from. The WHIG went on to admit that our Gov. has NOT gotten the homeless situation under control and they are trying to do all they can to facilitate the needs of those in need coupled with mature, middle class neighbourhoods. Let's look at BELLE Park (sic) for a moment....this is the 3rd or 4th YEAR that they are attempting to get this right...this year by posting By-Law signs. Balsam Grove area is a perfect melting pot opportunity for a slow repeat of Belle Park immigrating up through the ravine only to have years of increasing problems. In the event the Gov. is still working on attempting to clean up transients, trouble drug related situations etc. I am sure posting a sign saying they cannot sleep on the land during the day will not be a sufficient deterrent. Although I am looking into the future with a somewhat dim light, we are Seniors and should property value diminish based on the proximity of the Gov. next pilot project to a transitional home in the area, we will loose a portion of our lifetime investment with no imminent opportunity to recap it. This is all being decided regardless of the needs of the existing neighborhood while working desperately for those in need. Would it not make sense to create another trial project near Montreal Street where likeminded people survive and need access immediately in the comforts of the neighbourhood they current know and thrive in? Would it not make sense to open a health unit that is not transitional based on the lack of Emergency Care and Physicians in Kingston and take care of those contributing to the tax base, the middle working class, and take some the stress and strain off of the hospitals. I am not suggesting we ignore the very visual problem our City is struggling with for those needing transitional housing.....however I am questioning the location, the ability to staff it, and the ability of the Gov. to even remotely keep it under control in the confined designated area of 309 Queen Mary. Define the EXACT expectations of the Transitional Housing; Define the By-LAW USAGE CLAUSE; Define number of beds, staff per person utilizing the facility; realistic opportunity to staff with qualified personnel and retain them; neighbourhood recourse when this new experiment does not come to the anticipated fruition; WHAT DO WE DO ABOUT THE DECLINE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD PROPERTY VALUES DURING THIS EXPERIMENT and thereafter? Will our taxes lower...not likely; Will our insurance premiums increase-probably, will all the concerns that are related to the Belle Park (sic) site become out problem....honestly they are the same people...the fact that this is being sugar coated as an integration hub....OF all those in the GOV. reading my concerns be anxious to have this suggested usage in their backyard??? We too need help to take care of what we have worked for....Saying

what is concerning us does not seem to have any impact on the somewhat ALREADY decided usage...I hoping to hear I am wrong and our voice will make a difference. I feel like my hands are tied without recourse.

- I think this project has the opportunity to provide much needed services within the city of Kingston that currently do not exist or we do not have enough of.
- As someone who lives in the neighbourhood I support a transitional housing building for those who are willing and want to help themselves. I do not believe it should be another care hub (sic). There are many people who just need a safe place to live, who are not drug users, in order to get back on their feet. I believe as long as the building has rules that must be adhered to it could prove beneficial to our community.
- My feedback is negative regarding this initiative. There are far too many risks with this site that have little successful mitigation strategies. Risks to homeowners, individuals such as SLC students, families, schools, traffic, safety and security, hiking trails, railways, and to the city regarding easily blamed negligence.
- My mum lives at [REDACTED] and I at [REDACTED]. She is almost 82 and does not drive. She walks in the area for leisure and errands. I am concerned for her safety, quality of life and property value. She needs that value for her future care needs in an assisted facility. There are many children and mothers with baby strollers in the area and a primary school. I am worried about bad behaviour, crime, discarded syringes and drug trafficking.
- I welcome this project. We need more housing of all types including transitional housing. The former Extencicare building makes a lot of sense. I live on [REDACTED] and hope that this place will be a home to people who need to get back on their feet. If we do experience some negative impacts as a result of new residents, so be it. The burden should not be shouldered by down town and north of Princess residents only.
- I think that it should be based on consultation of those who the project will be serving, and meet the needs that they state that they have as best that they can. I think it should also be based on harm reduction and keeping families, companion animals and couples together as much as possible.
- we don't want anything that will make people camp near by, abuse the trail, potentially scare or threaten people of any age
- 1. Based on this question, it sounds like a decision has already been made. I thought that a report was to be generated to look at all options for the site. What happened to that? 2. Under no circumstances should 309 Queen Mary Road be developed as a facility that looks anything like the current Integrated Care Hub (ICH) (sic). It would have a very negative impact on this area. Also a safety concern for a very busy roadway and intersection for residents and commuters.

3. There are a lot of residents that do not know about this yet. Somehow the word needs to get out to the voters and tax payers in the area. 4. I appreciate that a report is being developed and am grateful that community engagement will take place before, I repeat before a decision is made.

- The idea of a medical clinic at that location would be much more beneficial to the area and the City of Kingston residents at large. I do not agree that a transitional housing facility would be a good fit for the area or as beneficial as a Medical clinic that could serve many more residents would be.
- We moved to this area to be in a safer area as we repeatedly had dirty needles left in our mailbox and yard when we lived closer to the downtown area. The area around Queen Mary Rd is a stable family area with public schools, parks, and a lot of kids. If this new facility is to help people transition out of homelessness, will it be a drug-free zone, and what will be done to ensure that a new encampment does not start up on the property when the Care Hub on Montreal St Closes? We understand the need for transitional housing, but what will be done to ensure the safety of the neighborhoods around it? What will be done to ensure the safety of the public school as well? Will there be stricter rules, more staff, more support systems, and a guarantee for the surrounding community that this new facility will be run in a more structured way and will not allow for encampments on the large forested property behind it? I have known many people with serious addictions. Those who were able to get themselves out of active addiction needed to be away from their contacts who were still using narcotics. If 309 Queen Mary Rd ends up being a safe injection site, it would be very difficult for those trying to transition out of addiction and homelessness as they would be constantly confronted with others using drugs which is often why people in recovery start to use again. We look forward to learning more about transitional housing, and if this facility is run in a safe, structured way that truly works towards helping those transitioning out of homelessness, I am certain the community will support it. It is a big concern for the community that if it turns into a safe injection site, it will undermine the concept of true transitional housing.
- I live nearby and am concerned about the accumulation of garbage and debris in the woods near this location. It is already used as a dump site by many and needs to be regularly cleaned. If this site is to be used as transitional housing it needs to have a community council made up of residents of the facility and neighbours to ensure good neighbourly relations. I don't want my kids to be yelled at by persons on drugs or experiencing a mental health crisis while they walk to school.
- I would like the plan to consider local issues such as the proximity of schools, use of community parks, adjustments that may be required for travel along Queen Mary (traffic disruptions; lights; calming measures; increased/changed

vehicles accessing the area), as well as how the community will be made aware of what 'supportive and transitional housing' will bring to the community.

- The community is afraid this location will turn into the same mess as the integrated care hub. We don't want a new encampment to pop up, preventing families from enjoying the Rideau trail. We don't want used needles to be found in the nearby parks and schools. We don't want people high on drugs wandering through the neighbourhood while our children are playing nearby. How will the city prevent this from happening? Do not offer safe injection sites. This will attract a demographic to the area that is not desirable. Perhaps focusing efforts on transitional housing for families, single parents and seniors?
- I wish to thank the city for exploring this creative strategy to address a need in our community. Housing remains an issue in Kingston and across the country. That being said, I do wonder if there are some potential risks or unforeseen consequences in this approach. Does the city have any data that could be used to evaluate the effectiveness of prior transitional housing projects? Is there data that indicates an ongoing need? Strictly from a budgetary standpoint, some quantitative estimates or modelling would be useful in exploring whether the expenditures here are likely to yield the desired returns, and whether alternate programs might be effective as well. Given the lack of primary care providers in the community, one can't help but wonder if investment in this area could be helpful in mitigating the need for transitional housing, while also benefiting a much larger swathe of the community.
- As a single woman living in this neighbourhood, I have significant concerns regarding my safety of this project were to go ahead. This neighbourhood has an elementary school, as well as a high number of international students. All of whom would be in great danger if this were to go ahead. There have already been a number of issues with drug users and homeless in the area, including not being able to use parts of the local trail and break-ins with dirty needles left behind. The prison and Henry Traill centre being so close should preclude any such centre being in this area.
- I'm sure the city has heard tons of complaints from NIMBYs about wanting the city to support the homeless, but as long as it's not near them. I live across the street at Westview Place and I want to express that I fully support this plan. The building is already fitted with the needed infrastructure to create transitional housing. I would rather the city take advantage of this over spending millions to build something from scratch. Don't listen to the old people afraid of their property value going down. They don't care about anyone other than themselves. If we want to fix homelessness as a society we need to accept and embrace that sometimes these facilities will be built nearby. If not here, then where? Another

neighbourhood that won't accept it? I'm tired of people only wanting improvement as long as it doesn't inconvenience them.

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- While I applaud any progress made in the housing crisis, as a nearby neighbour of 309 Queen Mary, I am concerned as to what exactly is meant by "supportive and transitional housing facility." Does that mean it will be a homeless shelter? Or something else? I would like to see engagement with neighbourhood residents conducted in plain language that the average person can understand.
- I am a resident in [REDACTED], a registered, not for profit cooperative housing association founded in 1946. Grenville Park sold a packet of land to Extendicare with restrictive covenants about future land use. I am concerned that the City might not be aware of this. I am concerned about the many young children that live in this neighbourhood and how the City's plans for 309 Queen Mary might affect safety and health for these children ( and us adult community members for that matter. ) I am concerned that the city has not reached out to Grenville Park specifically, as it is the neighbourhood directly bordering 309 Queen Mary. I am very concerned about the value of my property, and my enjoyment of this neighbourhood should 309 Queen Mary and it's surrounding lands become a tent city, I am concerned about the ability of our police and social service folks to manage situations where clients of 309 Queen Mary trespass onto Grenville Park lands, and disturb the peace and enjoyment of property that we are entitled to. [REDACTED]
- I would like to know whether the Hub on Montreal (sic) will stay in place, so that 309 Queen Mary Rd. will be purely housing, NOT a hub for multiple services replacing the Hub on Montreal St.. I fear an encampment in the (public land) Rideau Trails and (private land) Grenville Park woodlands neighbouring 309 Queen Mary Rd..
- Worst idea ever, for several reasons: 1) A large concentration of any societal segment into a neighborhood with which it has nothing in common is doomed to fail. 2) This location is completely surrounded by residential family units and small children...the risk outweighs the reward. 3) A large portion of residents in transitional housing facilities suffer from mental illnesses and substance abuse issues. Substances cost money.....and the abundance of private homes and their vehicles located in such close proximity are sources for that money. 4) Vacant commercial or industrial zoned land with providing a buffer to private residences and children makes way more sense. 5) Marginalized individuals would/should be grateful for being "Provided" with a roof over their head.....there is absolutely no need for that roof to be in a family's back yard.
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- The city will need to make very clear what impact the surrounding community can expect from the housing. NIMBY flyers have already started going around showing pictures of campsites and garbage strewn everywhere. The residents of Grenville Park have already had to clean up after multiple campers in our privately-owned parks, because neither the police nor the city can be bothered to help after the trespasser flees or is removed. In the last few years there have been two dead bodies found in the Park, both apparently homeless. This is not a new problem, but you will need to convince people you are improving things for everyone, rather than just dumping a disaster in our laps while pretending it is a solution. I would hope the city can make clear, permanent, and legally-binding commitments to prevent, respond to, and clean up after incursions on private property. I would like to see similar commitments to prevent the public conversation area becoming another permanent campsite. Thus far we have only seen hand-waving about potentials and plans, which is a start, but utterly insufficient. Thanks, [REDACTED]
- While I certainly recognize the need to develop supportive and transitional housing, I am opposed to the facility at 309 Queen Mary Rd being used for this purpose.
- I oppose the development of this project at 309 Queen Mary Road.
- I think the property is beautiful. The building meets alot of needs. It has a common dining area. It has private rooms with private washrooms. It has a secure entrance and it has office space for staff. I think it is a perfect spot for people who are on the streets, living rough to live. It could also be for people who simply cannot afford any other space in Kingston. A solid step up from the shelter system. That is who I see this space living here. A consistent, safe, private place for them to rest their heads. Maybe for people that are being removed from sleeping cabins too. Ultimately, it has to be SAFE. Maybe there's a way for families (with children) that have no place to call home to use this building. Would it have to be just single adults? Could couples with no homes live here too? Is it going to be a 'dry' space? Smoke free? Pet free? How much independence will residents have? Is there a curfew? How are visitors responded to? Is food provided in a common manner or is it every one for themselves? Lots of questions. Ultimately, great space for supportive living.
- To whom it may concern, My husband and I have lived at [Redacted] Queen Mary Rd. for twenty years; we are now 89-85 years old. We do not want a Care Hub in our neighbourhood. We would like to see it open for a Senior Home, 26 ideal, most of them can afford a little rent, and cook their own meals. Please do not consider this for a Care Hub, we pay condo fees and taxes. We appreciate a clean neighbourhood, Please we do not have a computer. [Redacted]

- I believe that using this building to be cost effective to address some of the need for transitional Supportive housing for some Kingstonians also, it is, of course, quicker than a new build. I think the local opposition is strictly NIMBY. I live in Kingscourt. When Home Base Housing bought a building on Kingscourt Ave. which had been run by Kiwanis for Seniors, they informed us that they planned to use the building for transitional supportive housing for youth. The response here was not "put them somewhere else" but rather "let's welcome them" the immediate neighbours held a welcoming BBQ for them! When an opportunity comes up push on the formal extendicare building, it makes great sense to jump at the opportunity. [Redacted]
- This is an important initiative that should proceed. 1. The housing first strategy divides the housing needs according to risk level. People most able to manage to be housed with a low level of assistance, in principle, do not need transitional housing. On the other hand those most at risk need more support. Among these, entry and survival in the rental market requires development of personal capacity and personal resources. For these folk the second stage (after immediate crisis housing and acute support resources) will be secure midterm housing with skills training, reintegration networking and opportunities and assistance to move to total self sufficiency. For some, transitional housing provides safe space (such as Robins House operated by Interval House.). We see the numbers who need such housing when we walk the streets of Kingston and go by the Hub. The benefit of transitional housing will be lower costs, less need for crisis intervention and less social conflict. What we invest in transitional housing will pay dividends in the future. 2. I agree with the City that transitional housing does not present the same dynamics as the Hub. Those living in Kingscourt can attest to this. Home Bas Housing operates RiseUp@149 transitional housing for youth, When the proposal came forward to convert the Kiwanis senior housing building to this service, the Kingscourt Community Association held a meeting to discuss it. The consensus of the meeting (at which about 30 people attended) was such housing was needed, but we wanted to be assured that we could have concerns addressed if they occurred. Home Base Housing provided contact information and committed to be responsive. We agreed we would reach out to the residents and welcome them. In fact this did occur. More relevant, we have never had any issues arise over the ten or so years that the facility has operated in Kingscourt. (I was co-ordinator of the KCA for most of that time period.) Another example is the mental health association buildings on Lyons Street. While we have heard that there have been occasional incidents within the building requiring emergency services, these issues have not spilled into our surrounding neighbourhoods. Note that these buildings are adjacent to two schools. Further, when the Kingscourt Branch of the KFPL was in operation close to those

buildings, a number of residents used the library. As a regular patron of the branch I had numerous opportunities to observe the situation. They did not represent a threat or a challenge from what I could tell. 3. The location of 309 is quite appropriate. The arguments that there are no nearby services doesn't stand up to consideration. It is interesting that people making such claims live in the neighbourhood and may have greater mobility problems than the likely residents of the transitional housing. Within a reasonable walking distance is Frontenac Mall with a supermarket. Within walking distance is Kingston Centre with numerous stores including Canadian Tire, Dollar Stores and Loblaws, Dental services and more. Calvin Park Library is not very far either. There is a bus stop near the building and the transit hub is also within Kingston Centre. 4. The facility itself is rather facing the major corridor of Bath Road and is somewhat insulated from adjacent residential properties. It should be easily converted to private housing with communal services as needed. However, it is essential that the social structure and support network within the building be well thought out and well resourced. If the City tries to do this on the cheap the worst fears could be realized. Having worked 26 years in Federal prisons, especially 17 years at the Prison for Women, I have witnessed the best and the worst. I experienced a collective crisis of suicides for example. Life skills, Individual counselling, peer support, development of volunteer support networks helping people socialize into the community, and aid in developing financial independence are all components that should be present. Medical needs must also be addressed including drug and alcohol dependence. Issues. Don't expect that residents will always be amendable to counselling and never have personal behavioural crises. All staff need good skills as defusing such situations. 5. As an aside I wish to express my sympathy with the complaints of the seniors who resent this project. Their sense of being left out and meriting equal support is justified. You may not remember the Senior Citizens Council. It was the predecessor of the Seniors Centre. It was formed in response to the economic difficulties seniors were facing in Kingston (and throughout Canada). A real furor arose when a politician said seniors should buy cans of tuna fish and reduce food costs. This was after reports that some seniors were buying dog food to stretch their food. (I don't know if that was true.) Anyway, the Seniors Citizen Council put an emphasis on services and on advocating for senior as well as offering social activities. The successor Seniors Centre has been dominated by more affluent seniors and is not surprising since social net reforms and improved pension plans eased the lot of many seniors. Social housing programs of governments in the 80s had eased housing costs. The departure of governments from such programs, the austerity policies of government to reduce taxes and the substandard pension programs has resurrected the growing impoverishment of seniors. This is exacerbated by their



increasing numbers and the downloading of costs to cities which are having difficulty meeting all the demands on them. Despite the challenges, our community needs to take a step back and return to heightened sensitivity to the social and economic and health needs of our seniors. Meeting the homelessness crisis, the housing affordability and crisis and the plight of less affluent seniors are all required.

- Hello City members, the Extencicare building needs to be turned into a long term care home for seniors as our population is ageing very fast. Did you see the news on TV about exactly that. It will be very very bad in 2029. So Extencicare will be nice to have open before 2029 as a long term care home for seniors. 150 beds. Thank you [Redacted]
- Neighbourhood has vulnerable senior population that must be considered when determining transitional housing and support for at risk individuals. This has potential to harm the current neighbourhood. Many walk to near by Shopping and business and unless the screening process for individuals who will qualify for transitional housing is externally engaged to suit the community as it is now, its not the right place for these services. More senior facilities are always needed and that is better suited for the neighbourhood. [Redacted]
- Greetings and good day, Mayor and Councilors, Grenville Park residents met with City of Kingston representatives at the Calvin Park public library on Thursday, March 14th, 2024 at 6:00pm, to discuss city's proposed plans for future of 309 Queen Mary Road (QMR). Please, note: (1) "North Grenville Cooperative Housing Association" This name (together with Kingston City hall photo) appeared on first slide of presentation given by city representatives. Actual name of our community is "Grenville Park Cooperative Housing Association". One assumes City representatives to be aware of whom are they meeting and to prepare their talk with attention and due respect. After all, Grenville Park Cooperative Housing Association is model community of peaceful and responsible living in existence for 70+ years. (2) Number of residents for "transitional housing" planned to be housed on site 309 QMR. (a) On March 14th, 2024 meeting, [Redacted] of Kingston said that intended number of residents on 309 QMR site ..... "is 40-50 people; somewhat larger number than that in 113 Lower Union site". There is 19 residents in 113 Lower Union site as compared to suggested 40-50 people at 309 QMR. This translates not to "somewhat" but to either 2.1x more residents at 309 QMR (if 40 residents) or up to 2.6x more (if 50 residents housed there). (b) On March 14th, 2024 meeting [Redacted] denied that she stated (at Polson Park Townhall public meet on February 22nd, 2024) that number of "transitional housing" residents at 309 QMR would start with 20 residents, but it could accommodate 50 - 100. Even if this fact were disputed, it is a mute point at the end because of the fact in paragraph below. (c) Based on

[Redacted] statement in Global News (see reference below) it is obvious that large number of "transitional housing" residents at 309 QMR site is planned. Refer to Global News info [Redacted] [Redacted] and [Redacted], from Feb 1, 2024; "City of Kingston buys Extendicare facility, supportive housing planned". In direct statement from taped interview, [Redacted] said:..."depending on configuration, we think there could be 50-100 that could be residing on site." Compare with 19 residents living at 113 Lower Union site (to proposed 100 residents at 309 QMR); it translates to 5.26x more residents on 309 QMR. Conclusion? City of Kingston's planning of 309 QMR future seems faulty; and ignoring scientifically valid facts of the of "transitional housing" does not make sense. High number of residents at one given site is clearly not conducive to "transitional housing" success. Ideal number for "transitional housing" residents is 3-20 max per each exclusive site. Numerous scientific based evidence supports this; see of those: Nacional Library of Medicine (NGM), "Estimating the Number of Substance Use Disorder Recovery Homes in the United States" by Leonard A. Jason, Elzbieta Wiedbusch, Ted J. Bobak and David Taullahu published online 2020 May 13. doi.10.1080/07347324.2020.1760756; PMID 33627938 Warehousing people en-mass in institution-like setting simply does not work. If implemented anyway, it would fail those you are trying to help (and will indirectly lead to fiscal failure and failed leadership). And this would not make taxpayers happy, neither. So, it the spirit of open talk of what citizens brings to the discussion, City representatives should listen carefully to people who live, know and care about this community. Regards,[Redacted]

- Once again the city council is not listening to its constituents who pay their taxes and by default the councillors salary. Nobody wants this extendicare in their areas because nobody wants to live the nightmare the city has created for the residents of Montreal road. We are all tired of the lies the city council tells us about such facility. It is obvious that the city council has its own agenda to ram down our throats at all cost as long as it serves the purpose of a few who do not may taxes or contribute in any way to this community. Listen to the community and stop allowing the do goodders and homeless to speak for the rest of us and stop wasting our tax dollars on worthless ventures that do not work. 309 Queen Mary Road needs to address the Healthcare requirements of our community and not the extendicare we do not want or need.
- Just want to point out transitional housing(Napanee, Kingston) are not working so far.. What makes you think facility at 309 QMrd will be diffrent? Or just one more place to be destroyed (camping ,fire in bushes,loitering, drug dealing)... Will be tremendous issues for safety all residents who live here. Moving people from one side to other it is not a solution. Very sad ,but so true.

- Transitional supportive housing will remain primary use for the 309 Queen M.rd facility???? Please explain me , and others who live so close to that place what that mean? We deserve to know excacly what will be at 309 QMrd.?
- Please don't ignore people who live in that area ,and pay taxes,and just want to be safe in our community. I hope all decisions of used of 309 QMrd will benefit to all citizens. And give us who live here reasurance we have safe place to live.
- My stress and anxiety are strech to a limit.What i only want to feel safe in my neighborhood. Sincerely [Redacted]
- I would like to point out that the City proposed use of 309 QM rd specifically a use that lead to comprised safety, and loss of homes values in the area,has had an big impact on the physical and mental health of me,and my neighbors, and friends in this area. Decision made by the City can have far-reaching impact. Please listen to people who already live here... Sincerely [Redacted].
- I hope any of you decision makers have chance to drive on Bath/QMrd on Saturday (March2). Maybe you saw our senior's with canes walkers,men, women and children in POURING RAIN ,carring sings KEEP MY NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE. It is heart breaking see all those people whose life was disturbed a month ago! We all stress sick,depressed anxious,and only what we want just be safe in our home... Our MENTAL HEALTH matters to. Sincerely [Redacted]
- Wishing you all great weekend, maybe you will spend with your parents? Just think when you will make decisions about 309 QMrd,if you will jeopardize your parents safety? Iam somebody parent to ,and I have all rights to live in safe neighborhoods. Sincerely [Redacted]
- I have one question only today. Is if to much to ask of all of you decision makers, can you ensure that safety, and property of all of us in area won't be jeopardize by your planning??? [Redacted]
- Thank you for listening. [Redacted] have given us a little hope yesterday. Thank you for that. Please reassure us,that our safety, and property value will be taken in to consideration with final decisions. We need more medical doctors, and facility at 309 QMrd could convert into medical clinic,that could attract doctors,and serve all population in Kingston. Thank u [Redacted]
- I write to you as a senior citizen, taxpayers and voter ,who is extremely concerned about how the city of Kingston plans to use the former Extendicare property. If the city creates a project,that put my personal safety,and other people who already live here at risk will be a very irresponsible,and dangerous. Many seniors can't afford a typical retirement home \$5.000 or more a month,(me included),please consider converting 309QMRd.into low income housing for seniors,or affordable retirement home. Consider the property for something that would improve the area,rather than dragging it down. We have plenty idea how that property can be used. Thank you for listening, and please give us a legal

reassurance your proposal of used of 309 QMrD.is not going to put our safety at risk. Sincerely [Redacted]

- I hope city of Kingston decision makers( for 309 QM rd.) will have safety for all seniors, children and all citizens living in that area in mind as priorities. Sincerely [Redacted].
- I really hope my life,and safety matters to .And when you all will make decisions what will be at 309 QMRd, take all people who live in that area in consideration.
- So far I don't know if you all listen??? What is propose so far by you is truly frightening to me,and other good citizens. Please don't destroy life and beautiful place with such a wrong plan. Sincerely [Redacted]
- I am writing to you because City of Kingston's proposed changes for use of Extendicare on 309 Queen Mary Rd. brought to my attention likely negative effect to this site, it's surroundings and people living in this area. I very much value uniqueness of the central part of Kingston that is part of CRCA and of Rideau trail. I fear severe rise of unlawful and illegal activities (illegal, spreading fires in conservation area, unsanctioned encampments, drug peddling, drug use and its effect on users etc) over there. I, as a frequent walker on local trails, already find unwanted activities of negligent and disrespectful behavior there. Expected increase of damaging activities above will cause further injury to the nature behind 309 Queen Mary Rd, and would surely have much negative impact on local residents. Therefore, your proposed changes for above site from nursing home for elderly to "Transitional housing for unhoused recovering addicts and multitude of mental health services" raises justified fear of criminal activities brought to our doorstep. Those will come hand to hand with distributions of drugs accompanied with violence, which this peaceful community don't deserve. I believe that current site of Extendicare location is ideal for Long Term Care seniors housing as proven by positive track of 40+ years of its use as a nursing home, and which is favorably received by our community. Our seniors fully deserve respectful treatment by our society after life of work and now coping with dramatically increasing cost of living. With regards, [Redacted].
- Dear friends at the City, While I currently chair the board of the Grenville Park Housing Co-operative Association Ltd. ("GP"), I am writing in my capacity as a resident of that community and am not speaking for the Board, nor any of our membership. My views are mine alone. The property has been used since the purchase by Extendicare on 4 April 1974 as a nursing care facility. It seems that has met a need in the Kingston community, a need for which there is ever-increasing demand. In fact, I understand there are approximately 40,000 people in Ontario waiting for a long-term care bed and am sure there are enough in Kingston to accommodate (and them some) the 309 Queen Mary Road facility. So, what should it be? The answer – what it currently is: a nursing home. Why? It

was built for that purpose. There is a need in the community anyway. If you were to do a title search on the property, you would see there is a restrictive covenant preventing "any other purpose other than a nursing home, without first obtaining in writing approval from the vendor". The vendor, of course, back on 4 April 1974, was GP. If you were to keep the facility as nursing home, much of the rancor would immediately dissipate from the debate around what to do with the building. So, a simple answer: keep it as a nursing home run by the City. Cheers,  
[Redacted]

- To whom it may concern: Greetings Mayor and councilors, Extremely valid point may have been overlooked when deciding the future use of site 309 Queen Mary Road (proposed by planners of city of Kingston to be for "transitional housing of recovering drug addicts, AMHS and undefined related services") It is the DISTANCE from this site to daycares, kindergartens and schools in our community. Although not all the sites below are in the District 8, close proximity of their location to site of 309 QMR is of utmost importance and an aspect to consider most responsibly. (1) Polson Park Public School, 165 Robert Wallace Drive, Kingston, K7M-1Y3.....0.9km (0.56 mile - that is half a mile away from 309 QMR site!!!) (2) Kidzlife Childcare, 638 Portsmouth Ave, Kingston, K7M-1W3.....1 km (0.62 mile) (3) Ecole Elementaire Publique Madelaine-De-Roybon, 72 Gilmour Ave, Kingston, K7M-9G6.....1.1 km (0.68 mile) (4) Garderie Educative De Kingston, 72 Gilmour Ave, Kingston, K7M-9G6.....1.1 km (0.68 mile) (5) West End Children Day Care, 5 Miles Ave, Kingston, K7M-7G7.....1.1 km (0.68 mile) (6) Calvin Park Public School, 153 Van Order Drive, Kingston, K7M-1B9.....1.5 km (0.93 mile) (7) Frontenac County Childcare Center, 153 Van Order Drive, Kingston, K7M-1B9.....1.5 km (0.93 mile) (8) Kingston French Montessori School, 1134 Johnson St, Kingston, K7M-2N7.....1.7 km (1 mile) (9) Rubber Duckie Home Daycare, 342 McMahon Ave, Kingston, K7M-3H6.....1.8 km (1.1 mile) (10) Lord Strathcoma Public School, 251 McMahon Ave, Kingston, K7M-3H4.....2.2 km (1.36 mile) (11) St Thomas More Catholic School, 234 Normal Rogers Drive, Kingston, K7M-2R4...2.6 km (1.6 mile) I hope we can all agree that health and safety of our children are undisputable and forefront priorities for all of us. After all, who would wish kids to trip over used needles, see illegal camping disarray, note destruction of property, experience aberrant behavior of people high on drugs, be exposed to danger of being offered drugs, feel scared to walk streets of their neighborhood? As it is to be expected, if the proposal were implemented. This project is inappropriate for quiet residential area. Therefore, unequivocal NO to use of 309 QMR for "transitional housing for recovering drug addicts and AMHD and their multiple supporting services" is the only answer. Admitting a mistake and saying "sorry" later would never be enough

for a youngster scared for life - by living in the unsafe neighborhood that current proposal of 309 QMR would create. Sincerely, [Redacted]

- I don't see a representative of the people who would benefit from the services provided on the committee? [Redacted]
- Concerned because it is an older neighbourhood and the value of their housing will go down especially if the Montreal hub is an example of what happens.
- A considerable amount of money has already been spent, what is the budget and timeline for this project to be completed. What measures have been put into the budget for the additional security in the area since there are so many seniors and families.
- Supportive transitional housing is needed in the City of Kingston. Having worked in the Homelessness and transitional housing services for 30 years in Kingston, experience has shown me that to be truly transitional housing that will lead to self sufficiency; a program to actively help people manage their prescribed medications and help break their addictions is required. This will require; at the initial stages; intensive interventions. Simply providing passive supports will not be sufficient when housing a large number of people in the same social economic lifestyles.
- It is a good idea
- I think this is a perfect site and the nature of the building will reduce start up costs. I support this initiative AND location, wholeheartedly.
- I am glad this building is being re-purposed to address a growing need for housing vulnerable, low-income citizens in Kingston.
- This is an amazing opportunity to explore community or transitional housing on this site--it is central, on a bus route, and has resources such as a grocery store, plaza and mall close by. It will make me feel much better about the cancellation of the Cabin Community Project if this becomes its new location. In addition, it is a good location for family transitional housing, as we are seeing more needs by families living in hotels and people's basements. Would also work as a youth housing site if there is still a need. I hope that an extensive gap analysis will be done to determine which demographic is in highest need.
- To be successful, the site will have to have integrated social support services for residents. Residents should also have a stewardship responsibility for the facility and its grounds. In other words they should be responsible for cleanliness of their accommodation, common areas and outdoor facilities. The intent should be for this to be a temporary "home", not an institution.
- All related information for 309 Queen Mary
- Seems like a reasonable strategy to care for people.
- I would like to see 309 Queen Mary Road developed to house low income Seniors. Make it a Seniors only building with onsite Superintendent/Support

person who can help the Seniors navigate the day to day problems that might arise such as arranging for rides to the Dr. or appointments. The building would obviously already have a commercial kitchen so allow the residents to use it as a communal kitchen where they can gather & cook/share nutritious meals. Engage organizations such as the Loving Spoonful to help support.

- What an excellent idea. We need a lot more sites like this in the City. I know you are dealing with NiMBYism but stand strong we need supports for people all over the city. Also please continue to work towards adding more affordable housing all over the city. There should be a lot of pressure on any new developments to include a much greater number of that type of housing.
- I think this is an excellent idea, we need a lot more of this in the city, go forward and find more locations as well.
- I am highly supportive of the city utilizing this space as supportive and transitional housing. This type of housing is scarce and it is urgent that more truly affordable housing becomes available for people currently homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Because of the challenges they face, having supports in place to decrease the risk of becoming homeless again is crucial, as long as the barriers to access remain low.
- we need HOUSING--homes, not shelters. People need to have a place they can come and go from and leave their stuff in and be warm and dry during the day as well as at night. That's not the case for shelters. No wonder tents and sleeping sheds look pretty good. Please build this housing asap
- I'm in favour of supportive and transitional housing, but I think the Queen Mary Road location is too far away from the area the needs the greatest level of support. It's not a good location and I think it's impractical
- Perhaps the housing should be for only those who are homeless or have mental health issues and not for people with addictions? The community may buy into this concept. The people with addictions need much more support and perhaps a different living arrangement would better suit their unique needs. Salvation Army on Princess street is a good example of an addiction facility -with few if any neighborhood complaints
- Open it! Do not delay. There is a critical need of supports and transitional housing and we cannot delay due to the [Redacted] folks! Let's get it open.
- Before you start any engagement", tell all these [Redacted] picketing and protesting to [Redacted]. As a rate payer who lives north of Railway St, I'm tired of the city treating the area as a dumping ground for [Redacted]. We started with [Redacted], then In From the Cold ([Redacted]), then a [Redacted], and then "The Hub" [Redacted], all without even a "by your leave". I'm sure all the [Redacted] were laughing and giggling when "The Hub" opened up here. Well, it stops being funny when it starts being you.

- Can you identify the people who will be utilizing this facility?
- Hopefully its affordable and accessible to most Kingston Residents. I fear that the operational model of this new facility will only benefit a very small percentage of our Kingston residents. The wait list will most likely be long and new residents most likely would only be considered or find it affordable if they were wealthy.
- I support the repurposing of Extencicare to be used for precariously housed members of the community. One of the only concerns or things to take into consideration, similarly to what happens in the Hub is the safety of encampments for folks who feel unsafe indoors. I personally believe in the importance of encampments not being villainized but fire safety is something that should be considered, due to the proximity of homes. The opportunity to have so many beds for folks is very exciting. Miigwetch City Council!
- I am strongly in favour.
- There are other properties in Kingston, (such as the former half-way house at 525 King Street West), which could have been used for transitional housing for the past several years. I question why it has taken so long for the City staff to identify a suitable property and why the property had to be purchased from a private company, (not leased nor purchased from the federal government).
- I think this is the wrong location for the intended purpose
- I think a tired level of support separate from the services provided at the ICH is needed in order to free up those intensive services for those who need them critically, and instead this new facility should offer short-medium term accommodation for vetted members of the unhoused community while they work to find long term sustainable housing. I think by separating this from the short term shelter spaces and acute care services, these community members can more easily get the care they need and transition to the next stage. I understand members of the surrounding community are concerned about potential disruptions in the neighbourhood, partly fuelled by misinformation, but I do feel that education campaigns around how services are working to address various aspects of the homelessness issue and making clear what this site will mean might quell some of their fears. As a community member living in a different area of the city, I see homelessness everyday, everywhere I go throughout the city and it is clear that the problem is growing. These people need help to get back on their feet and I appreciate the city finding creative solutions that will allow for quick action. I hope there are also plans in the works to provide more low income/affordable housing that do not involve single family/luxury housing development/senior living/luxury student housing to address the other critical needs putting pressure on the homelessness issue.
- Make it happen!



- This is a much needed project for Kingston. Any measures taken to address the crisis among the unhoused is a positive endeavour. I am concerned about the lack of services in the area and hope that this will be addressed. As with any government initiative I would be worried about cost overruns.
- Hopefully it doesn't turn into. An integrated hub like the one on Montreal street.
- The housing facility will require adequate levels of supervision of residents, maintaining a clean environment around the building is important to community engagement, the community will benefit from information of who will be living in the facility and who/how to send concerns regarding the facility. Communication from the city via various media options is helpful - radio interviews, City of Kingston web site, flyers or printed notices to local residents, etc. Status of integrate hub services, home based housing, AMHS, etc ... How does the supportive and transitional housing facility fit within the current system of supports?
- have a LOT of police assigned to the area around it
- Safety, cleanliness, and property value of our community, in Grenville Park and Hillendale community is of top concern of mine. Grenville park community, immediately adjacent 309 Queen May, is a gem, highly desired homes, peaceful and unique area in Kingston. We love it for the privacy, large yards, large trees, for those including myself and my family of young kids who live and frequent the Grenville park, trails (Hellen Hendrickson nature trails) on a regular basis. 1. What is the city's plan to sustain this beautiful, clean, safe and peaceful for the existing community? 2. Please tell us more about what specifically kind of services and individuals are being proposed to use 309 Queen Mary
- Based on the example of Belle Park and its issues of crime, drugs, littering, and general disarray, I would not encourage the City to establish transitional housing for the dis-housed at a site that opens up the entire city via the newly finished system of trails adjacent to this site. While the usual set-up of a care facility with its individual rooms does seem ideal for the City's purposes, I wonder that the City has the staff, expertise and most importantly, the funds to be successful. Why not let an organization that has some experience in this field manage this current social problem, namely The Salvation Army?
- I am horrified at the idea of moving the population of homeless people into our neighbourhood. While you are pitching that this is not "moving the existing Integrated Care Hub", it sounds a lot like "we replacing the Integrated Care Hub with this new facility". It is dishonest to say you are not moving the hub if this new effort is intended to replace it. That is not going to get you much trust in the community There is a lot of parkland with the facility, and I don't share your vision of a tent city in our side of town. We have kids and are terrified that Grenville Park will no longer be a safe location for them to play. Now they will have to

watch out for broken crack pipes and people that should be in a medical facility. There already exists several "encampments" on the Helen Henderson loop and it's starting to get sketchy as it is to let the kids out alone. It would be great to not completely ruin this neighbourhood as well, if someone is listening. It sounds like all City coucilors (except for one) are happy that this isn't in their neighbourhood - that should tell you something..Furthermore, our hospitals are swamped and an embarrassment to a civilized society. One reason is that there isn't enough LTC spots, so elderly stuck for months waiting for a spot. If you keep this an LTC, it will free up spots in the hospital to deal with urgent things like drug overdoses, and other things. Yes, you've created a massive mess with the homeless population and that needs to be solved. Sending them out of sight into our neighbourhood shows a complete disregard for the people whose neighbourhood you will destroy.

- I am pleased to hear that the Mayor and CEO of AMHS have committed to not moving the services from the ICH to 309 QM. I think there are many options to develop the facility in such a way that it does not negatively impact the neighbourhood in terms of safety, cleanliness, and property values. One of my wife's patients had a heart attack and waited for 2 hours outside the ER at KGH for the triage nurse, and then gave up and went home. Our hospitals are a disaster for a supposed modern country. Many people are taking up hospital beds because there's nowhere else to go. hint hint. I am very concerned about the [Redacted] messaging, so I don't know how encouraged to be. In the Whig Standard article of 17 Feb, [Redacted] claims that [Redacted] was spreading misinformation about the lease of the ICH ending in March 2024. But [Redacted], confirmed at a Townhall on 22 Feb that the lease was indeed expiring. So why is [Redacted] spreading lies and trying to undermine [Redacted]? That completely undermines his credibility and any trust. My final concern is again about the [Redacted] messaging. While he may think it's ok to "make things up as we go", I'm not particularly interested in experimenting with live people in my backyard. It would be appropriate for him to develop a plan and think things through. Perhaps he should have his statements to the press reviewed ahead of time by someone competent.
- I like the idea of a primary care clinic, because it fills an obvious need and also comes with security needs that will restrict the housing option. I am glad to hear that you are thinking about the aging population, and mentioned aging folks with mobility needs as a target clientele at the GP Townhall. I am not clear on how such a population's need would be temporary - what would they "transition" to? This insistence on "transitional housing" and "complex needs" in your vocabulary will continue to elicit a strong response, in my opinion. It also gives the impression that the City is using the feedback it receives to tailor its messaging

rather than changing the nature of the vague plan. I can only assume you have received a lot of feedback related to the concern of "transitional housing" - you need to narrow down the criteria you are going to use to select people and commit to those, if you want people to feel reassured. I know several elderly people that are not sleeping at night, they are consumed by fears about what the City will do. I'm seriously concerned about their health. I am also concerned by the fact that the City appears to have shown little regard for the neighbourhood impacted by the ICH. There are many posts on reddit and news articles about residents who feel unsafe and unable to leave that neighbourhood. Did you adjust their property taxes downwards? One can't simply say this is bad reporting. If you don't take responsibility and make things right by them, it's difficult to trust that you care about not harming our own neighbourhood.

- I think you should form a committee that involves representation from the different communities to help in the design stages of the proposal. The neighbourhood feels completely left out of the process and would likely be reassured if it knew it had an actual seat at the table. As is, there are seniors in the community that are not sleeping and having heart palpitations because they're so scared of what the City will do at 309 QM. There is an issue of broken trust that needs to be repaired, due to the feeling that the neighbourhood on Montreal St has just been abandoned. The committee could then evolve into an oversight committee, with continued community involvement to oversee and integrate the facility. You could totally run good PR about such a model and use it more in the future...
- I live in the neighborhood and frequent the trails north of the subject property with my children. I would like a zero tolerance approach to encampments both directly outside and into the wooded area north of the property, enforced 100% of the time by security personnel. Allowing any single tent will invite all the others and it will snowball and be impossible to contain. No loitering, period. We are tax paying citizens who are entitled to safe use of our parkland, which is NOT zoned for camping.
- I'd like to ensure that clear information is shared with community members and neighbors. The rumours are worse than tackling the issue head on. It's also important that potential service users are engaged as well as neighbors and community members. I hope in addition to new supports there is funding for anti stigma and other initiatives to support the launch of such a new resource. This is much needed and I am happy to hear of a new potential transitional housing site. I hope we will no longer be engaging with informal groups lacking accountability and appropriate governance to provide such services.
- IMBY - In My Back Yard so I'm interested in what is happening. Please keep me posted. Thanks!

- PLEASE move forward SLOWLY! The HUB experience has turned into a “battle” that may have been won! As a neighbour and a concerned citizen, I don’t want the same thing to happen here!
- I realize that people don’t want this in their neighborhood, but the need is so great that it has to be somewhere! I feel this is a good solution to start to make a dent in the problem.
- Good to see the city looking at doing this. Would you want to include questions about extras that may be useful to the project, such as a playground area, an area for parking e-bikes securely, or a possible bus route change to also aid those in transition?
- Generally favour the concept. I have been in Extendicare. Lots of the essentials such as toilets and showers. Could it also serve as a group home for mobile mentally handicapped who need 24/7 gentle leadership as well?
- Think i would not want this near my house. Look all the problems at the hub on montreal street . Crime rate huge increase fires theft not a good location
- Important to have a broad range of social and health services on site, and at the ready close by, as this community will have high incidences requiring intervention and help. 24 hour social workers and security personnel are a must.
- I live fairly close to 309 Queen Mary Road. I have not been inside the facility, but I am pleased to hear the City has purchased the property and plan to use it to help the citizens of Kingston. I would be interested in finding out what the plans are, and what work is necessary to make the building useful going forward.
- I own a condo in this area
- The city must do a better job than the hub on Montreal street.
- We don't support this plan. It will bring down the neighborhood property values. Too many people in one spot. Will end up like Belle park, a big miss. People who can't move into or don't want to live there will live in tents on the nearby KP trail
- I think it is a terrific idea and the site should work very well for the unhoused and transitional housing.
- Very happy to hear these plans are underway, as long as the needs of the neighborhood and the neighbours are taken into consideration. There's close-by shopping, good transportation by bus, walking, biking if desired, so looks like a good location.
- I think this is a great repurposing of a property that already has some features that would be useful for this. We need places like this all around the city. It so unfortunate that local residents demonstrated (front page of Feb 13 Whig), seemingly without knowing more information (specifically that this will not replace the Hub setup). Also unfortunate that the residents are not embracing this as an opportunity for the community to help, as the Portsmouth community did for the

sleeping cabins. Please encourage and nurture community support for these very necessary places, thanks!

- '- what mental health and housing support services are anticipated at this location? - what are the long term funding sources for a facility of this size and scope? This cannot be a solely city-funded program - Is there interest from people who would likely access these services to come to this location as it is a distance from downtown and other social service hubs. - what rules/guidelines around drug use would there be?
- I'm very concerned about how large this facility would be and what criteria would be needed to be used. Those who do not meet the needs will quite likely just stay in the area squatting. General Safety in this area is already a concern - the amount of mentally unwell individuals wandering the streets is evident, likely to only get worse. The trail and wooded area right next to this facility will likely turn into an even larger Belle park which has been an example of the (ongoing) damage and waste to destroying natural habitat with no consequence or quick action for restoration. The trails have already started to see squatting and large amounts of garbage left behind and no one to come clean it. Belle park continues to be a dump and is unsafe; there is a HUGE concern for this conservation area to turn into the same and be unsafe for the community to use. This area will also no longer have an affordable grocery store nearby nor does it have services close by to support the unhoused. A facility should be in an area that has supports nearby considering many unhoused individuals would need to travel by foot. There is a massive concern for the general safety of our community and the protection of our public trails and parks.
- I am very concerned that whatever 'transitional services' are offered and whatever empty promises the city makes it will ultimately mean another Belle Park situation. NIMBY
- 1. Before announcing that it could be a location for sleeping cabin residents, the city should have asked the sleeping cabins residents. A lot of fear and anxiety with the sleeping cabin residents has increased because of that announcement, many have indicated they would rather go back to the woods. 2. 100 people struggling in one location is a very poor idea, the ICH should have shown the city this already. Too many people together create a captive audience for criminal behaviour, and enable negative elements to hide amongst the predominantly good people who are struggling without homes. 3. How will the facility be staffed? All social services are short staffed, health care facilities are short staffed. This has to be factored into the solution. Staffing via cameras, like some transition housing in Kingston has been operating, should never be a 'solution'. Human staff onsite can help moderate behaviours and prevent issues before they occur. 4. Most of the unhoused people I have spoken with believe that a site this large

will likely contribute to homelessness and increase the number of encampments throughout the city. 5. Suggest building mixed housing on the land, with RGI and affordable units. 6. People I have spoken with, who have experienced incarceration, indicate that the existing Extencicare rooms are too much like a jail cell. These people believe people who have been incarcerated will be triggered and likely exhibit undesirable behaviour. 7. Look to London, Ontario for a well communicated community plan to support unhoused people. The City of Kingston needs to make drastic improvements with community communications. Just putting some stuff out there causes anger and fear and people filling in the blanks themselves with their own creative minds. Try actually working collaboratively with the community, with neighbours of projects, it'll work out much better for everyone.

- Whatever form of support services end up being implemented at 309 Queen Mary Road, there needs to be 24/7 adequate staffing levels to insure occupant and neighborhood resident's safety.
- I am sure Grenville Park homeowners are not happy about your choice of location. Putting this facility here will only lower property values for the subdivision and invite loitering and crime to a quiet neighborhood.among other things. I hope residents surrounding Extencicare make their voices heard. Tell me who wants to invite this problem to their neighborhood. Perhaps council members would like to offer their neighborhood instead.
- 2 concerns: 1) what measures will the City have in place to ensure we don't have another Montreall St. fiasco terrorizing the neighbourhood? and 2) what controls will be in place to ensure this isn't a derelict "tear down" within 10 years?
- What will be provided for the safety of people who reside in the surrounding neighborhoods?
- Downtown businesses and residence have had issues and I just would not want to see these issues move to our neighborhoods without a plan for protection.
- We absolutely need to do this. Along with the necessary professional support staff, the requirement for supportive and transitional housing is paramount. In a country as wealthy as ours, it is unacceptable that we have people living on the streets. There is no reason why we can't give all unhoused people the opportunity to live in decent accommodations.
- I appreciate the intention and think it's a great idea. I'm concerned about the nimbyism in the area and I'm hopeful that as the plans emerge, you'll develop a sort of "ambassador" role to talk with the community members who are concerned. I think if you're able to be more specific about "complex social and medical needs," folks won't fill in the blanks with their incomplete/ misguided interpretations. I appreciate that this is really hard work you're trying to do. If there is any way you can bring current residents of the area and potential service

users together in a safe, moderated space, I think it could go a long way to helping people live better together. The ICH, which I believe is an incredibly important place, has been haunted by very really challenges and a lot of really bad press. I think you have a chance to get out in front of that this time.

- This is extremely important and needed in this city. Anyone who has an issue with this development is either cruel and insensitive, or an insensitive [Redacted]. Enough NIMBYism in Kingston. Stuff needs to get done, and people need to [Redacted] and think of others.
- I think that a supportive and transitional housing facility is necessary in our city. I am glad that plans are being made.
- Time to [Redacted] form staff and council - this is absolutely the wrong location and will lead to so many more problems. I pity [Redacted] - these are going to be his final days of his public service if this project proceeds. Have we not learned from the ICH experience? If you want this issues solved I propose you buy the homes beside our MP and designated them transitional homes and see how fast funding comes to Kingston from [Redacted] to help address the homeless issue.
- not much
- I DO NOT support this initiative. I am not pleased with the level of secrecy around this initiative - I have sent several emails to the city since the news broke through Global requesting more information and have yet to receive any response, so I will find it difficult to complete this pre-engagement survey in a fullsome manner, but there goes. 1) the city has proven they cannot control the mess and crime around the Belle Park encampment - located near the Hub which provides supportive services and beds - until the City can PROVE they have th LEGAL means to enforce no encampments around the location and keep the area clean and safe - it will be a straight up NO from me. Fix Belle Park first with LEGAL grounds. 2) the City has not disclosed who these community partners in addition to AMHS. I DO NOT want sleeping cabins in the area as proposed by Our Liveable Solutions who are looking for land. This program has been expensive for the minimal success it has achieved 3) Global News indicates that this money is coming from the Affordable Housing Capital Investment Fund - reading the parameters of the fund and about the affordable housing program - nowhere is it stated that this money can be used to purchase a building for support services and transitional housing 4) the area already has a prison, and halfway houses - we have borne our share of the crime - you can put this somewhere where there are no shelters or halfway houses so they can take a turn 5) there is not evidence that anyone with a vested interest was consulted before this purchase was made - local businesses, local developers (eg Patry, Homestead), schools (Madeleine de Roybon, Polson Park), Boys and Girls Club, Subaru Kingston, Catarauqui Conservation Authority, CN Rail (who have a spur going through the

area) and CSC (to name but a few). no residents were informed or consulted. the needs of a few have been put before the needs of anyone else in the area to enjoy safety and security - we pay our taxes, why didn't we get a say? 6) my children walk this route to school and they also ride their bikes in the pathway behind extendicare - we also go for walk along the Rideau trail - I can not longer envision this happening if the ICH services are moved and a new encampment is created 7) there are fires at the encampment - can you imagine in the hot heat of summer a cooking fire resulting in a forest fire for all the trees that are along this pathway - no consideration was given to this when a location was determined - and to argue that no encampment will ensue because there are no beds is a FALLACY - many homeless do not want to live with rules or with their pets - this is why they are in tents or lean tos built with wood from the surrounding area 8) allowing encampments has allowed MILLIONS of dollars in damage to our city property - that we as taxpayers have to deal with - a support service centre and housing hub WILL bring another encampment to this area - and the woods will be destroyed, as well as possible the CN rail line (or there is a risk that they could be walking along the rail line - causing possible liability to CN rail if any are injured or killed). 9) there are many low income working poors, seniors or those on ODSP who could benefit far more from having this property developed as an affordable housing building than a small, minority population who belong either in psychiatric hospitals or drug rehabilitation centers with 24/7 security - you are putting the needs of 50-100 people ahead of HUNDREDS. 10) it is clear from what I have heard that you DO PLAN to shut down the Hub and move services to Extendicare location - you have seen what has happened - you will DESTROY our neighborhood. 11) clients are being sent from other towns to our hospitals because they say there are more resources here and none leave - send them back - we cannot keep bearing the burden. 12) prisoners are leaving jail with no money or apartments or job - after they are in a halfway house - they should be in APARTMENTS - no a nursing home room 13) SPEND THIS MONEY ON BUILDING MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND YOU WOULD HAVE MY SUPPORT - try and turn extendicare into a support and transiational house service place so you can shut down the Hub and clean our Belle Park and I will support any legal battle that can be had 14) we have had enough of the garbage this city has become because of allowing encampents - force them into 24/7 pscy hospitals or rehabilitation with security NO TO QUEEN MARY BEING A SUPPORTING AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FACILITY

- Hello, I am writing to express my deep concern over the City's recent decision to purchase 309 Queen Mary Road and the preliminary intention to convert this nursing home into a supportive and transitional housing to be managed by AMHS-KFLA. I am asking you to 1) FIND A MORE APPROPRIATE USE FOR



309 QUEEN MARY and DO NOT give it to AMHS to welcome active substance users to our area by offering support services 2) Even if you provide LEGAL promises that this will NOT BE a low barrier or no barrier site offering the same services as the Hub – there should be NO ACTIVE substance users served EVER AGAIN in a residential neighborhood after the Hub fiasco and Belle Park – even taking steps to actively enforce LEGAL bylaws will not work –we all know that the Superior Court over-ruled the City in removing Belle Park. PREVENT the problem to begin with – and do not give 309 Extendicare to AMHS for active substance users. 3) PROVE to us, the taxpayers, THAT YOU did your DUE DILIGENCE, including risk assessment BEFORE allowing AMHS to use this site. 4) PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW AMHS to USE 309 Queen Mary for active substance users in ANY CAPACITY. It is unclear to me, based on the documentation available, whether or not the City performed the necessary and appropriate due diligence prior to making this purchase. 1) I would like to know if the City planners has studied whether or not there is sufficient support and transitional housing already available, but that those currently living in transitional housing and ready for independent living cannot move up because there is a lack of affordable housing options for them. 2) I would like to know if the City planners have prepared a formal risk assessment for the site should it be managed by AMHS-KCHC for substance abusers – what is the risk to local residents related to safety, security, encampments in local green space (ie Rideau Trail, Rodden Park, etc.), garbage, etc.? This should also be based on the inability of AMHS-KCHC to retain appropriately trained staff to run the facility (an issue faced by them already at the ICH). If so, I would like a copy of this assessment. 3) I would like to know WHY \$6.5M was voted from the AFFORDABLE housing capital investment fund (\$3.8M purchase price and an estimated \$2.7M for renovations)? Transitional housing is lower on the housing continuum – what are the regulations of the AFFORDABLE housing capital investment fund? 4) Would the \$2,7M in renovations be necessary if it were kept as a nursing home for low income seniors, disability, veterans? Has the city consulted with other key stakeholders for possible uses that would be more appropriate than locating a support service for active substance users in the middle of a residential neighborhood? 5) I would like to know if the City has spoken to: CN Rail, Cataraqui Conservation Authority, CSC, Boys & Girls Club, Homestead, Patry Inc. and any other party (including neighborhood condo boards and associations) prior to making this purchase. If not, why not? 6) I would like to know if the City has studied support services and transitional shelters of similar size in other cities and what the outcome of those studies were? Including costs, how many were in fact rehomed and impact on local community 7) I would like to know if the City has an internal audit & evaluation function to evaluate the value for money of

its programming / identify possible conflicts of interest – I could not find one or and I find this remarkable – I would have expected an internal audit/evaluation of the issues at the Hub and how they could be mitigated BEFORE purchasing any more property for AMHS to run. 8) Has the City contacted any other parties who may be interested in 309 Queen Mary besides AMHS? At the Town Hall last week City officials were asking local residents what they would like to see at 309 Queen Mary. Eg resell to another developer for multi story apartment building, low income nursing home etc. - I want to know if those suggestions were followed up 9) I would like to know what will happen to the Hub if provincial funding is not renewed and it is closed down – where are those services moving to? 10) I want to know WHY AMHS approached the City in 2022/23? I believe it was because they wanted a new location for the hub and had concerns about funding. If I am not correct, please provide the communication from AMHS to the City to the public. 11) I would like to know why such an important vote was taken without the Mayor present on Dec 19, 2023. 12) I would like to know if the Mayor and all councillors walked the site and the area around 309 Queen Mary BEFORE making this purchase? Because I fail to see how they agreed for it to be a support site with all of the green space behind it with backyard backing onto it, and the Rideau Trail leading to the Parkway, as well as all the apartment buildings around. Yes, active substance users should be helped, but this is NOT the location for it. 13) I would like to know what City council thinks of this statement released by AMHS to the community about 309 Queen – and in particular their statement that housing should include people who use substances. Why was this particular comment included in the release in relation to 309 Queen Mary? And why are they even having a release about 309 Queen Mary as if it will become theirs to use? We want to know the City has investigated ALL options and taken the best route for local residents. AMHS KFLA has proven they cannot manage something as small as the Hub – they cannot retain staff and the area is not safe – Queen Mary is a MUCH larger proposition – they are doomed to fail and we, the local residents, will be the ones to suffer (same as the neighborhood and businesses around the Hub). AMHS-KFLA Statement to the Community regarding City of Kingston purchase of Extencicare building on Queen Mary Road. While AMHS-KFLA is not the purchaser of this property, we are grateful that the city is looking to address the needs of vulnerable people in our community, particularly those around the gap in supported transitional housing. We understand that the city has not yet finalized plans for use of the building and that they have started a public engagement process to receive input directly. In addition, here is a link to the Frequently Asked Questions shared by the City recently. The details are not yet clear, and we recognize that this time may result in questions and concerns. Our vision is a community where everyone

has wellness, acceptance and belonging. The needs of all people, including the homeless population, are complex which create complex issues and require complex solutions. We see a need for a systemwide approach to those solutions. Our Agency is a key part of the system and remains committed to supporting and working in partnership across sectors to find workable solutions for all people. Housing is recognized as a human right, according to the Ontario Human Rights Commission it is essential to one's sense of dignity, safety, inclusion, and ability to contribute to the fabric of our neighborhoods and societies. We believe this includes housing for people who use substances. Housing is recognized as a strong contributor towards stabilization and wellness. We are certain this building will have a positive impact on addressing the challenges in our community and know that it is not a single solution, more actions and initiatives from many sectors will continue to be needed. It is a significant step towards achieving a community where everyone has wellness, acceptance and belonging. This organization has proven that they cannot effectively manage a location for active substance users – staff is poorly trained, high turnover – please don't let us be the next ones to suffer and have our neighborhood ruined.

- I think this is a good start. This city needs affordable and accessible homes for people with no-income, low-income and fixed-income. My main concern with the 309 Queen Mary Rd location is will this site be another version of a carceral institution? How voluntary will resident participation in the support services be? Will residents have to have curfews? How much autonomy will the residents have? Will the residents be able to host friends and family in their homes? How will 309 Queen Mary Rd avoid the atmosphere and problems that come with a congregate setting and what is available to support those who are not comfortable in groups or crowds? How will the city protect the residents from people who harass residents and seek to cause the residents harm? All over the city residents of multi-unit areas are blamed for the state of the grounds through negligent property management.\* How will the city ensure the building and grounds are maintained properly to avoid causing more misplaced public anger being directed at residents? Are there any plans for the city to create more small-scale public housing and safe consumption sites throughout all the urban, suburban and rural districts of the Kingston area? Small-scale designs would have the potential to avoid many of the complaints that large-scale congregate settings generate. Could the city expropriate the land located to the east of the Chartwell Conservatory Pond and to the west of the Dollarama on Coverdale Drive and build fully-accessible medium-rise or low-rise public housing for no-income, low-income and fixed-income residents? Could the Coverdale Drive land be used as a safe consumption site? Can public housing be built on top of already existing commercial structures such as on top of the Metro plaza at

Strand Blvd and Bayridge Rd? While we wait for these residences to be built, will the city start educating the public on the harmful myths and stereotypes of homeless and drug using people? Will all city staff take a mental health first aid course? Will the city apologize for its role in reinforcing harmful myths and stereotypes about homeless and drug using people? Immediately, will the city make drug testing kits available throughout the Kingston area in the same way that COVID testing kits were made available where people had the ability to just grab a test kit as needed from a bin without any monitoring or "policing"? These drug test kits could also be distributed in the college and university. It would be advantageous to have these available at schools as well but I'm not sure how that could be done without potential public or parental backlash.\*It is part of residents rent that there are property management services that look after grounds-keeping and waste disposal. Residents should not be blamed for inadequate and negligent property management services.

- I think this is the wrong area to use for transitional housing, the public has NOT been informed or consulted, the school's in the area have not been consulted, people living in the area have not been consulted. Far more information needs to be shared with the public before any transitional housing is placed in any area of the city!
- Exact using of the facility. Formal plan for use.
- The location must be considered. Has the neighbourhood been surveyed? I don't believe we want such facility near an elementary school and major city park.
- This is a great location, close to amenities and on public transit. Though retrofits may be required a shell of multi unit housing is already in place which could signify a quick turn around for housing for individuals in need in our community.
- As a nearby homeowner, I will be advocating against creating a transitional housing facility at 309 Queen Mary Rd.
- I think that it is a great idea. We need to make sure that every community within Kingston is working together to support those that are less fortunate than us. I think it's a great location, a nearly purpose built building. I hope that it goes through and that those that are against it are pushed to provide better solutions than just saying "no".
- I support it.
- I think it's a great idea
- I think the best thing to do with an ex-nursing home is leave it as a nursing home and increase the LTC capacity in Kingston. Waitlists are already several years at this time and families are struggling. The vast majority of the neighbors are opposed to city's idea and the crime that is proven to come with it. Why are those poor taxpayers being targeted for property crimes? A baffling decision by the City.

- 1. I would like to know what other options the zoning allows for, not just what has been proposed for the site (transitional supportive housing) 2. if the property is approved for transitional supportive housing, how will you ensure that the residents at 309 Queen Mary Rd. will not negatively affect their neighbours? i.e. I purchased a home in the area 1 year ago and would like assurances about the stability of my property's value; I gave birth 2 months ago and need to ensure that our neighbourhood is safe place for my daughter to grow up in 3. if the community does not want to see transitional supportive housing in our neighbourhood (now and in the future) will the zoning of the property be changed to reflect our wishes?
- I think this is a great idea and much needed. The space is perfect and location great as it is on a bus route.
- Very excited about these types of projects. Housing first - opportunities and wellbeing follow. Projects like this should be distributed evenly between all neighbourhoods in the city, rather than concentrated in only a few. Thanks!
- Fantastic news from the City. This will provide much needed accessible transitional housing for our vulnerable community members. It's the perfect application for a former LTC facility.
- It sounds like a great, much-needed option.
- I think its a great idea!! move forward
- I applaud the city for purchasing 309 Queen Mary Road for transitional, supportive housing. Our city desperately needs this kind of housing and support for vulnerable residents. This kind of housing focus should be a priority over things like building a conference centre (Not an idea I support) with public money. Transitional housing is much better for people without housing than shelters, as it would give them a home and place to be so that they are not forced out in all kinds of weather to wait until a shelter opens its doors again at 9 pm. Thanks for considering my input.
- I have concerns about the development of another encampment popping up on the land adjacent to the site at 309 Queen Mary Road. Not all current encampment residents will want to stay in a city run facility but, will want to be close to the site to continue to access the services they are currently utilizing at the present ICH location.
- I think the Extencicare site is an excellent place for transitional supportive housing, as long as it isn't used as a new location for the ICH. It's close to grocery stores, services, pharmacies, bus routes, banks, plazas etc. I think it could also be an option to move the Cabin Community from Our Livable Solutions group to the property with their cabins, allowing them the privacy they've become accustomed to, & not losing their little piece of home, & solitude. They could use the main building for facilities and it would allow more people

beds there if the cabins were included on the property. I think it's important to offer rooms for couples, and a section that allows pets would be compassionate and helpful for those who don't choose to live rough, over losing their pet. I would support this project as long as the above mentioned issues were considered in the planning.

- My concern is the motorists on Bath Road. The posted speed limit currently is 50km at the intersection of Portsmouth and Bath heading west from there is a decent grade of a hill that allows traffic to speed up without trying. The speed limit switches to 60 km somewhere along the stretch of 309 QMR however as stated most vehicles have picked up speed on the hill and disregard the actual limits. I would ask the city to entertain the idea of implementing calming features such as solar powered speed indicators, traverse pavement markers (something like chevrons to give the driver the perception they are speeding thus to slow down, large white diamond painted in advance notifying drivers of upcoming pedestrian crossing). Some distracted drivers need that extra reminder although the new intersection at Bath & QMR is very visible. Finally make good use of the island median that traverses the track between Portsmouth & QMR on Bath road specifically. Follow examples from other cities around the world that use medians to brighten up and make eye pleasing while serving the purpose of slow down measures.
- Do it. Stop dragging heels. [Redacted]. It's time the higher taxed community starts to live with the rest of us and with the services they pay for. Maybe then they'll have a little more compassion for the people they live with in this beautiful city
- I think that if managed properly, this site would be a good one. It also removes some pressure from the downtown/central area which seems to have a disproportionate number of shelters spaced geographically closely together. If 309 Queen Mary can reduce significantly the number of people living rough around the city it will improve things greatly and possibly draw people from that area of town to help with returning and treating citizens who are hanging on to life by their fingernails.
- How will the city manage the site so that it does not become the uncontrolled facility that Bell Park has become? It is critical that we help people who have no home and I encourage the city to take positive steps in this direction. However, it is important to find a way to do this to benefit all the partners in our community.
- Having transitional housing similar to that on Montreal St means moving the crime factor to a new location this problem is not being solved but relocated
- I think using the existing Extendicare building, with some upgrades is a great fit for transitional housing. I understand the worry about the site turning into another Hub, but surely that could be guarded against. I am concerned with the number

of unhoused people in the city. Continuing to only use downtown neighbourhoods like Williamsville (where I live) for housing and shelters is a bad idea. We need to use buildings and land that are a good fit for the betterment of people who are without, regardless of where that land is. My neighbourhood is at a tipping point. Using Extencare building seems to be a logical plan.

- Its difficult to provide on-point feedback when your announced plans are so deliberately vague. I suppose that may be the point. If the plan is to provide housing and support to the homeless and addicted population, this is an odd and poor location for same. The very real likelihood of damage to the adjoining conservation area and adjacency issues created for the nearby residential neighbourhoods is extremely concerning. This should be used as a medical clinic for the local residents. My spouse, who moved here from Trenton, still doesn't have a family doctor. That's a very real and pressing problem that this facility could help address. My grandfather built a house in Grenville Park after he returned from WWII in 1947. He was part of the Grenville Co-op that agreed to sell a portion of their land to Extencare in the early '70s, with corresponding assurances given at the time with respect to future use. I'm now lucky to call that house my own home and have always been proud of Kingston. Please don't break the trust of your residents and constituents.
- I think It is a wonderful plan I feel that residents that are up in arms right now are in a panic right now are at the thought of "not in my backyard". The plan is for supportive and transitional. Not a tent encampment and hub like hangout which they think is going to happen. I believe if some of these "fear of the unknown issues can be calmed it may help. It has to be in someone's back yard and I feel this is a great compromise and a great spot for those requiring the space as well.
- I would be concerned about the deterioration about the surrounding area of Queen Mary Road. Given the recent court ruling on the encampment policy in Kingston, there are very few ways to rectify the building of encampments in neighbourhoods in Kingston. Given the proliferation of antisocial behavior, crime, property damage that has occurred in regions where other transitional housing has been built I would be extremely concerned. I would have less worry if the space was geared towards low income or vulnerable seniors. It is a demographic which requires considerable support and less likely to attract the demographics which could cause harm to the neighbourhood.
- It is a great opportunity to help reduce pressures from the housing crisis. It might help specifically for refugees and asylum seekers who I understand can spend a significant time in hotels.
- The facility is best suited to housing those among the homeless who are elderly, medically challenged and fragile individuals. Of the 500 + people, I have seen enough to expect that entire facility could be filled with such persons and nobody

would be able to tell the difference between the previous residents and the new ones. Of those I've spoken with as close to the situation as I can find, that simply taking everybody off the street and putting them all together in an institution like this is not efficacious. For the most part, small groups of people should be situated evenly across the city. To cut to the chase, the idea is to recover these people and support their own efforts to pull themselves back to safety and stability. Extendicare is a great start and it will take the most vulnerable. Then we still have the other 400-450 to go.

- It should be used as transitional housing for elderly, physically challenged and medically fragile individuals. Programs should focus on medical treatment and recovery. The programs would emulate existing programs and support services as OLS.
- What will you do to ensure safety of city citizens during day & night?
- I think supportive and transitional housing is a good use of this space PROVIDED that there are services in place to support the clients who will occupy the space such as social workers, community police, various mental health workers.
- I am supportive of additional services including healthcare being available for patients and transitional housing residents at the 309 Queen Mary Road location.
- Much needed facility and great idea to repurpose this building.
- I think housing for all is a basic human right and we should be taking any opportunity to offer supportive housing for those in need. We need more affordable housing everywhere in the city and that should be the #1 priority.
- Great use of the existing facility to provide supportive care and housing.
- I am in full support of 309 Queen Mary Road becoming a transitional housing facility. My primary hope is that people who need this - the unhoused, vulnerable, and precariously housed - are being consulted to best determine their needs for services and accommodations at this site. Transitional housing needs to be as low-barrier as possible - this means allowing people to have pets, use drugs, and pay minimal rent. People who use drugs are vilified and misunderstood. They are vulnerable and maligned, and there is a desperate need for supportive housing so they can stabilize, be safe, and prevent early death. The Housing First model might be something to consider/explore.
- I think it's sorely needed in this community
- I am unsure of the need for more supportive and transitional housing and what it is. I am also unclear how the complex would be funded
- I agree strongly with transitional housing. The more units the better. The homeless population has become far more visible closer to downtown, and around the Memorial Center where I live. Theft, yelling, drugs have become more common with them.



- I think it's a fantastic idea. Just what the city needs to address the growing problem of homelessness.
- I think it's a good idea. Not having all supports in one area (ie not all within walking distance of the hub) allows for easier 'integration'. It is important that it is supportive housing, so the neighboring communities can be reassured of any fears they have of encampments happening in the green space in that area. The neighborhood has already begun to deliver leaflets house to house to let residents know that this facility is not a good idea. For the supportive housing to be successful, the staffing of the facility should not be 'as little as needed' but 'whatever and as many as needed'.
- I think it's a much needed service and we should increase spending for helping the homeless during a housing and fentanyl crisis. It's great that CERTAIN community members want a park or a high income condo building but that isn't realistically going to address these serious issues affecting out and every municipality.
- I believe that this transitional housing facility and supportive clinic is vital and a symbol of growth in our city.
- First of all a great idea. Expanding transitional housing across city definitely can reach more people. A healthy living that is inviting. Not just healthcare and safe use site. Perhaps also a facility that can accommodate life skill training as in nutrition (cooking), healthy living as exercise (yoga, etc).
- I am encouraged the facility will have another purpose. I hope the City will not need major renovations.
- Would this property not be better utilized for high-rise or multi-unit housing of some type? Its in a residential area and on main transit routes. I would think a developer would pay dearly for the chance to build here
- I believe this is an amazing project and we need more resources like this in our city. The small amount of protesters speak for a very small privileged population, who clearly have never had to face homelessness or hardships in transitional housing. Anyone with any kind of real empathy and understanding for others in this city, is in support of this project.
- I was homeless as a teenager due to circumstances entirely out of my control, and had little to no support and I'm still facing repercussions in my mid-twenties from that experience. If I had access to resources like this when I needed it, it would've changed my life in an incredible way and I want nothing more than for anyone currently stuck in those kinds of positions to get help where I did not. Please ignore the hateful voices trying to dismiss an entire population that has every right to live and thrive in this city. We need this. Thank you.
- I think it's time to spread supportive housing across the city..Not to push in all in the north end.

- It is important to have small pockets of supportive and transitional housing distributed across the city in several neighbourhoods. Successful placements need access to transit and services such as grocery stores and job opportunities. 309 Queen Mary Road is a great location for this. There may need to be consideration for increased pedestrian crossing along bath road. Hopefully there are other locations the city is considering so to integrate and distribute this housing throughout the city.
- I think that it's fantastic that the needs of the unhoused are spread out. However, please learn from the ICH and stop any encampment in the surrounding wooded area. Don't ruin this like you did with Belle Park
- Kingston needs a drug treatment program. This facility would work well as a multi phase facility providing intake/stabilization (25 people), in house drug treatment program (25 people) and supportive recovery transitional housing (25 - 50 people).
- Anything that gets rid of the idea that encampments are an acceptable inevitable alternative life style or housing arrangement is a good thing. I am in total agreement with encampment residence reluctance to use shelters. Yet totally against encampments. The environment in shelters is the opposite of what people need to feel there is some path forward for them. If this development provides residents with some sense of continuity and privacy, ie a space to live. I would say use as much space as possible for transitional or permanent housing
- It is a wise and responsible, finally, use of tax payers' money to buy a property suitable to house a large number of homeless individuals who now roam the city streets year-round.
- I find having this many unhoused people in one location is a recipe for disaster. I live near the ICH and find that the city has done a poor job of containing the overflow from that facility. I would imagine this would be even worse.
- This seems to be a very important initiative to provide transitional housing . I look forward to hearing more details.
- This is a great idea. Considerations for transit and easy access to other service offices (odsp, ow, employment services offices), internal services like id clinics. Considerations provided that where ever something like this goes there will be people who only care about themselves and their property values over the improvements to people's lives that this might bring.
- I am excited to see the city doing more for our less fortunate citizens.
- This is a great idea. Helping the homeless by giving them a place to stay is a start. Studies show however that 25% of housing in a city must be affordable to prevent homelessness- not happening here in Kingston. .The Lyon st. Facility works- no encampment, buzz in, safe and the people live respectively by choice. Multi level apartments can be built in less than a year so I wonder why it will take

so long to get this up and running ? I've worked in that building it should almost be turn key. It's on the bus route, close to stores, in an area where you can feel more like a human unlike the "hub"- where people go because theres nowhere else. This might be a place where humans can want to be and feel like they are part of a community. It should have a perimeter fence for security on both sides and to keep it from becoming a second hub and to help it feel more like a community. I rather see my taxes go to help humans. This building may be the start of something

- I don't see a reason why not
- It is a big mistake! Every where this happens there is a rise in crime and the area becomes a garbage dump.
- I am tentatively in favour of this idea. I would like to know what the long term goals of the City are in respect to this facility. Too many times these innovative, interesting ideas end after 3 years pulling the rug out from under the clients and staff. I would like to know how this facility will deal with outside influences such as organized crime, theft, violence as well as internal issues such as violence, theft, substance use, property damage, etc. All of these things are going to happen. Lastly, I would like to know when the City plans on opening this facility. I currently work at Our Livable Solutions. The residents of this program need accommodations asap as the program is scheduled to wind down at the end of March. I would hope consultation will include the City's partners, including those at the Sleeping Cabin Community, which was highlighted in the local news on Feb 2, much to our surprise. There are serious concerns for our residents. I look forward to hearing more about this initiative in the upcoming months.
- Excellent location. This facility already serves the needs of multiple residents. Much better solution than the sleeping cabins, I think.
- Services needed and provided
- Definitely an appropriate use for the building. One thought I had is that the location is distant from the city centre and from the Hub on Montreal Street. I believe the location is not in the area where most of the folks needing the assistance would want to be. Would the facility be all-inclusive in that the users/residents would not have a need for transportation to the city centre?
- I'm afraid for the neighborhood turning into a ghetto like the Heights. It is ABSOLUTLY disgusting.
- This is a good idea, not all of these projects should be in the North end
- Think that's a good idea
- I'm totally in support of more supportive housing.
- I'm all in favor, the building would be perfect for assisting our vulnerable Citizens
- I'm glad first steps are being taken. Good luck!!

- The City of Kingston must urgently proceed with this program, as well as take action (such as by enacting new bylaws) to negate the civic influence of NIMBY groups. So long as NIMBY's are allowed to interfere with housing being built, no other solutions to problems facing this city matter.
- I believe it is necessary for the city of Kingston to implement transitional housing. We are struggling to help and support our homeless population and urgent assistance is required to prevent the problem from getting worse.
- My concerns are in relation to the multitude of residents who currently reside near this area, as well as the businesses. The ICH has negatively impacted the Belle Park area and I fear the same will happen at QMR
- I feel it's important that there's prop case management at this facility. That includes not putting predatory type people with vulnerable type people. This is a lesson I've seen at the 900 bed Seaton House men's shelter in Toronto.
- For Strategic PR purposes, it is vital to outline that this will be 'Second Stage' style supportive housing location. eg The clients are hopefully getting stabilized with Care Plans, maintenance meds, counselling, resources and referrals, etc. Not a or facility.
- You tried before with the retirement home to house homeless people it didn't work they don't like to live together. We need low income housing options for all. Our shelters are too full and we need more low income places for mothers with children and families.
- I agree with using this property to provide housing for the homeless population.
- Do not add it to Kingston housing units. Many of them are not taken care of by housing authority,as everyone in the city knows.Private family's that are actually working and trying to make ends meet would be a good idea.
- I believe that this Is an appropriate location for the proposed interim housing initiatives
- Wrong place have you not learned anything from the Hub?
- How will affect the neighborhood. Will there be supports? What type?
- I believe that this was a good purchase and the the facility could help a lot of people who need a residence while they make a new start in their life.
- I strongly support the use of 309 Queen Mary Road to provide supportive and transitional housing. As a working professional in the healthcare field, a disability advocate, a Kingston resident and a person who has in the past experienced housing instability due to domestic abuse and disability, I believe our city needs to do more to provide a variety of levels of housing support to individuals dealing with homelessness, housing instability, poverty, mental health struggles and substance use health struggles. Using the facility at 309 Queen Mary Road to offer supportive and transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Road is an important step in providing this needed care to the most vulnerable people living

in our city. And although the proposed usage of 309 Queen Mary Road does not include a shelter or treatment facility, because of the stigma that is being directed toward this project I want to be clear that I would be strongly supportive of those uses as well.

- As a disabled woman who sometimes uses mobility devices, the people who have made me feel unsafe or uncomfortable in this city have never been the unhoused people or substance users in my neighbourhood, of whom there are many. What does frighten me is the increasing level of dehumanization that I am seeing people direct toward those who are unhoused or dealing with conspicuous mental illness. The few actual inconveniences that people often complain about in relation to unhoused populations, such as accumulations of garbage, could easily be ameliorated if we provided these communities places to, you know, dispose of their garbage. I'm not sure if people who complain about these things are unaware that encampments and tents in fields aren't serviced by our municipal waste disposal system but frankly I'm more bothered by the people with cars and presumably homes whom I routinely see dropping off their excess bags of garbage beside the incredibly few garbage cans we actually have in my neighbourhood. Affordable and accessible housing for all.
- Excellent decision to purchase this facility. Great opportunity for Wind Down of Sleeping Cabin pilot residents.
- I think this is a positive and timely way to provide desperately needed housing in a good location to a vulnerable population. I fully support the initiative.
- The information posted on this site, Whig Standard article 2024-02-17.
- I think it's a brilliant idea. Kingston needs more supportive and transitional housing and this place will work well.
- This facility should not be low barrier or barrier free. Residents who live in close proximity should be offered opportunities to discuss their concerns. These concerns should be specifically addressed if the project should proceed and an open dialogue be maintained. Progress and concerns to be addressed annually. If the community still has concerns, or objectives are not being met, the program should be reviewed.
- It seems like an ideal facility, given its structure and excess land.
- I have visited a family friend at the facility in the past could it not be divided into self contained bachelor suites. I like the mid-town location though I am dismayed that the neighbourhood grocery store is moving further west.
- I feel the location is ideal as it is easily accessible by transit. The plan to have a number of services available alongside living quarters is a great way to service our aging population that is at risk. I see this as an opportunity to create a sense of community for people who currently feeling increasingly isolated.

- The city needs this. It can help so many people. The location sounds perfect to support some of the most vulnerable people in our community.
- I think the location is perfectly suited to be a transitional housing facility. I very much hope the city doesn't let the nimbys stop this as this type of facility is very much needed.
- I was pleased to hear the city had acquired the 309 Queen Mary Road property as a transitional housing facility and I agree, it is well-equipped to meet the needs of the housing insecure, especially those with complex needs. When I first move to the city, I lived in that neighbourhood and have been disheartened by the nimbyism displayed. I recognize funding for support staff for such facilities can be challenging. I ask the City to please consider creating positions within the municipal staff structure for these support people. This is very hard word and private agencies often prioritize profit over the well-being of staff. People that do this type of work deserve to do it as safely as possible and be well compensated for it.
- Staffing levels
- I just want to say I am incredibly supportive of this project.
- None
- If the building did not live up to the standard for a retirement home, demolish it immediately. Sell the land.
- The value of this space is the current zoning, for health services. Supportive and transitional housing is much needed, and in particular supports that are anchored in health issues that folks are facing: shifting and changing the narrative of homelessness from a behavioural issue and making it a health issue, (or the anchors of homelessness). In creating these supports in this space it will be essential for the success for those who use it, those who live near it, and the community as a whole.
- I request the City provide more information about what the options are for this housing project, along with a definition of "transitional housing facility". I recognize that among the public housing needs in Kingston would be (1) transition from hospital in-patient to residence outside the hospital, in order to free-up in-patient hospital beds and reduce the pressure on the Emergency Room at KGH; (2) transition from homelessness to permanent housing through appropriate, humane temporary housing; (3) transition for low-income, youth in unstable housing to appropriate, humane permanent housing; (4) transition for persons with mental health &/or addictions challenges to appropriate, humane housing with in-house/nearby treatment & support.
- Very needed. I fully support it.

- Given the age and design of the existing building, will it make more sense to tear it down and build a modern, net zero building that provides better housing with lower operating costs?
- Complete support. This facility has space for food prep, health care, groups and security for personal possessions. The neighbours need support to clean up litter and prevent loitering but this could be part of the programming. Individuals residing here could be tasked with ensuring the safety and privacy of the neighbourhood is maintained.
- It will be the hub house for the homeless!
- I would like to see the city have complete transparency and to continue to get resident input throughout all stages of this process. I see potential with this project, but I think proper research and consultation must happen first. I would be concerned if city placed a high number of people in need of transitional housing in one area as diversity is needed in housing those with complex social issues and smaller housing units spread out in a variety of neighbourhood across this city, rather than condensed into a few select areas, would likely have longer term benefits for the community. The city already condensed most social services geographically which historically has not been beneficial in other municipalities.
- You are asking for pre-engagement feedback after you have already engaged?
- This location does not fit with the neighbourhood. Is there a plan to insist that the residents will have to follow guidelines and that there is no chance that it will become another 'hub'?
- None
- There is a huge need for supportive and transitional housing. There needs to be a conversation as to how to make a space for community organisation to be on-site to deliver services for residents .
- This seems like a hasty decision regarding a huge expenditure that is being done without a comprehensive background analysis and realistic look at alternatives.
- Great opportunity to put the spotlight on youth homelessness. The face of homelessness is changing. There are younger and younger humans entering the system and becoming entrenched in the lifestyle and addictions. Having safe, affordable, transitional housing with up to a 4 year residential agreement is what is best practice and could help make an impact on the homelessness system in our community. Housing for humans that have mental health diagnosis, addiction, and cognitive delays to offer a supported housing model would also help make an impact on our community. Housing for humans that do not meet DSO eligibility due to "high functioning" but require intensive supports and are not capable of being safe living independently. Transitional housing with an addiction treatment model/approach would be great for our community.
- low barrier.

- I think this is a great idea. I have a condo just up the road on Greenview Drive. I fully support the development of a supportive and transitional housing facility at 309 Queen's Mary. I would encourage the city to do this in at least one other area of the City as well.
- We need more housing supports for the hundreds of people in Kingston who are unhoused or precariously housed. Please do not listen to NIMBY arguments that will further delay bringing resources to our community.
- I think this is a necessary project that should be completed as quickly as possible due to the urgent needs of the community. This is particularly vital in light of the new daytime camping ban in city parks bylaw that was passed by the city of Kingston that specifically targets homeless people.
- This is a great and positive step. The Extencicare facility is well setup to support transitional housing needs
- Glad the city is taking over the facilities, while I, personally, do not have much feedback about the specific operations of the facility, the space in front of the care facility could use improvement. From what I can remember, and Google Street view images, the pedestrian amenities are lacking at this location. It is important to not only accommodate, but encourage alternative modes of transportation, especially in the case of seniors. Additionally, the green space out front could be a bit better utilized (maybe with some more public amenities, such as benches, and more pathways.
- I think it's a wonderful use of the building and space. Convenient to bus and shopping. Of course it's mostly the naysayers that are going to show up at meetings. One thing you could ask in the consulting phase is "What safeguards could be put in place that would make you feel more positively about a supportive and transitional housing facility at 309 Queen Mary Road?"
- I am in favour of placing supportive housing in all areas of the city where transit and support services are available, i.e. not clustered in low income neighbourhoods.
- None
- This site may be suitable for a family transitional and wrap around services facility to replace Lilly's place shelter. [Redacted]
- A letter for mayor and council, Feb, 06, 2024 Extencicare purchase As I understand it there are many people interested and some upset and understandably so about what develops on and around Extencicare the building and the 3-acre property. If the property is in fact 3 acres it seems there would be enough land for at least some of the useful sleeping cabins too. I've heard in council ones poo pooing the sleeping cabins. but they seem far more humane than the property around The Integrated Care Hub (ICH) and some random housing properties. I heard [Redacted] announcement about the purchase and



Extendicare's use as some sort of transitional housing and it very much sounded to me like all of that was a done deal. I do believe words could have and I'm thinking should have been chosen better. The words to me sounded like someone picking a fight. If the residents and City Hall do a good job every district in Kingston should have something like Extendicare and it's purpose. Too many preconceived notions, stereotyping, ignorance, and fear ... sadly both sides of any fight often suffer from that affliction. And on that note, with all due respect I do not know how many, or if any of you are functioning drug addicts or functioning alcoholics. [Redacted]

- COUNCIL EMAIL Since the announcement of the hub moving to Queen Mary Rd and Bath. Our entire world has been in Kaos. This will make us and many of our neighbors homeless. Bankrupt and no where to go. Please stop this experiment it doesn't work here, anywhere or the rest of Canada. Use this area for more residential homes or for seniors or veterans Not for those who have little or no interest in. Our community [Redacted] Queen Mary Rd and Bath. Stop trying to bandaide safe injection sites the do not work. It's a failed experiment scap this and stop trying to dump on prime residential and school zones
- I would be interested in learning of all possible permitted uses under the current zoning and bylaw rules of the property mentioned above. All that has been reported is the relocation of the care hub. I would like to learn more of what is being considered or what is possible for 309 Queen Mary Rd so that I can have my wishes known. I would ask that the consultation include issues such as debris and junk accumulation, dangerous camps and fires, threatening behaviour in the neighborhood, safety of condo property, residents and vehicles and lastly the loss of property value. I feel as a tax paying resident of 358 Queen Mary Rd I should have a chance to give my opinion on what I do or don't want on my doorstep, after all my personal security and property value are at stake. It would be nice to have legally binding assurances that what is not wanted won't be reconsidered at a latter date. I don't want to have to go thru all of this stress and uncertainty again in the future. Thank you [Redacted]
- Hello, I would like to add my input into the potential use survey re. this property. I would like the survey to list all possible and permitted uses under the zoning bylaw and official plan designation so residents can learn about what is possible and give our feedback on all possible options; not just the currently proposed options in the pre-consultation of supportive and transitional housing. The survey should include the ability to comment on all current legal land and zoning uses. If there is any contemplation of changing any of the permitted uses then all possible versions of future permitted uses should be revealed and we should be able to voice our opinion on those proposals. I live along the trail behind the property and am concerned about: 1) personal safety, 2) debris and junk

accumulation, 3) dangerous camps and camp fires, 4) loud and threatening behaviour in the neighborhoods 5) stability of property prices. In the past we have had issues with homeless encampments and campfires in the woods behind our houses (land that is owned by Catarqui Conservation). The woods surrounding the Integrated Care Hub (which has a shelter) is ringed with encampments and there is always a fire going in the parking lot. I am concerned that there is a risk of more fires such as has occurred at the Belle Park encampments detailed in the February 9th Whig Standard as "significant", as well as the huge dollar amount (1.5 million) that was necessary to clean up the "extensive damage" to hydro poles, stolen copper components, and groundwater monitoring pumps at Belle Park as detailed in the October 23rd Whig Standard. Another concern is that there is an Ongwanada Residence in our neighborhood which houses a very vulnerable population with developmental disabilities. I would like the survey to give residents an opportunity to voice our opinion on what we want to see and not see at the 309 property. There should be legally binding assurances that what the community does not want will not be reconsidered at a later date by some other group or institution. This should include zoning bylaws for land use, property standards for ongoing property maintenance, and standards within a very limited permitted use of the land that hopefully disallows anything the community does not want. I work in supportive housing for the chronically mentally ill population who often have experienced homelessness. I also regularly collect warm clothing and deliver it to the clients at the ICH. I recognize the great need for more transitional and supportive housing but really feel strongly that because the 309 property abuts the Rideau Trail and the Catarqui Conservation lands that it is not the right fit for these purposes. Thank you for your consideration of these points. Sincerely, [Redacted].

- "The ICH opened in 2020 to meet the needs of undeserved individuals in our community who may experience barriers to care, a service gap that was both highlighted and exacerbated by the Covid-19 pandemic. It provides safety, food, rest, substance use and mental health. Goal: create a safe and welcoming space." Sounds lovely but this a fairy tale. It clearly has failed. Professionals without a history of involvement with this current plan should be hired for a fresh outlook that includes the community as a whole. The pandemic should not be a factor now. Eliminate the ICH. It is a human dump site and certainly is not a safe and welcoming space. Why blindly accept the destruction caused by the encampments and where the money for all these street drugs comes from? Breaking into our homes and vehicles and stealing anything anywhere. My family has been in threatening situations twice which we will never completely recover from. The safety and wellbeing of the community who are not injecting, shooting up or snorting must be prioritized. This is overdue. [Redacted]

- Dear Sir/Madam,I am writing to express my opinion concerning the future use of the property at 309 Queen Mary Road. I consider the property and location most suited for re-development as a multi-story apartment in keeping with buildings in the area, to provide social housing. According to the City's website, the wait for such housing currently could be as long as 5 years. Obviously more accommodation is needed. Please consider this suggestion. Thank you.  
[Redacted]
- Hello, I am a Kingston resident and I wanted to reach out to express my full support for the proposed repurposing of the Extendicare building at 309 Queen Mary Road. I firmly believe that a facility providing services to those in need of transitional housing is needed in the city and will improve the lives of so many residents in our community. I feel that the city should push this project through in order to help address the issues we are facing with unhoused individuals, who are no less deserving of services than housed residents, and residents in need of health services. I believe the facility would also benefit from the addition of a health clinic to serve the surrounding community, on-site mental health services for those in need, and an employment services office to assist residents utilizing transitional housing. It would be very unfortunate for the city to miss this opportunity to address a growing issue within the community. The Extendicare building is the perfect fit for a transitional housing facility and would be providing a significant service to some of the residents in Kingston who are most in need. I know there has been push back, highlighted by the recent article in The Whig, but I also know that so many residents understand the need for these services and support the city's plan. I appreciate your consideration. Thank you,  
[Redacted]
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- Hello
- I hope this email finds you well. My name is [Redacted], and I am a resident of Kingston. I am writing to express my strong support for the 309 Queen Mary Road proposed transitional housing unit that is currently under consideration.I believe that establishing a transitional housing unit in our community is a crucial step towards addressing the homelessness issue that many individuals and families in our city face. Homelessness is a complex and challenging issue, and having a dedicated facility to provide shelter and support services can make a significant impact on the lives of those in need.Nobody deserves to be without their basic needs met at the very least. Without shelter and access to food, there is no foundation to even begin to think about doing the work needed to heal from trauma, addiction, or any other mental health challenges. Transitional housing not only offers a safe and stable environment for individuals experiencing homelessness but also provides them with the necessary resources and support

to transition towards independent living. It can be a stepping stone for people to rebuild their lives, find employment, and regain their self-sufficiency. Furthermore, having a transitional housing unit in our community demonstrates our city's commitment to compassion and empathy. It shows that we are actively working towards finding practical solutions to support our fellow residents in times of need. This initiative aligns with the values of inclusivity and community welfare that make our city a great place to live. I believe that by supporting the establishment of a transitional housing unit, we are taking a positive step towards creating a more compassionate and resilient community. I urge you to consider the long-term benefits this initiative can bring to our city and its residents. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. I appreciate the hard work and dedication of our city officials in making decisions that enhance the well-being of our community. Sincerely, [Redacted]

- I DO NOT support this initiative. I am not pleased with the level of secrecy around this initiative - I have sent several emails to the city since the news broke through Global requesting more information and have yet to receive any response, so I will find it difficult to complete this pre-engagement survey in a fullsome manner, but there it goes. 1) the city has proven they cannot control the mess and crime around the Belle Park encampment - located near the Hub which provides supportive services and beds - until the City can PROVE they have the LEGAL means to enforce no encampments around the location and keep the area clean and safe - it will be a straight up NO from me. Fix Belle Park first with LEGAL grounds. 2) the City has not disclosed who these community partners are in addition to AMHS. I DO NOT want sleeping cabins in the area as proposed by Our Liveable Solutions who are looking for land. This program has been expensive for the minimal success it has achieved 3) Global News indicates that this money is coming from the Affordable Housing Capital Investment Fund - reading the parameters of the fund and about the affordable housing program - nowhere it is stated that this money can be used to purchase a building for support services and transitional housing 4) the area already has a prison, and halfway houses - you can put this somewhere where there are no shelters or halfway houses so they can take a turn 5) there is not evidence that anyone with a vested interest was consulted before this purchase was made - local businesses, local developers (eg. Homestead), schools (Madeleine de Roybon, Polson Park), Boys and Girls Club, Subaru Kingston, Cataraqui Conservation Authority, CN Rail and CSC (to name a few). No residents were informed or consulted. The needs of a few have been put before the needs of anyone else in the area to enjoy safety and security - we pay our taxes, why didn't we get a say? 6) our children walk this route and they also ride their bikes in the pathway behind extendicare - we also go for walk along the Rideau trail - I cannot longer

envision this happening if the ICH services are moved and a new encampment is created 7) there are fires at the encampment - can you imagine in the hot heat of summer a cooking fire resulting in a forest fire for all the trees that are along this pathway - no consideration was given to this when a location was determined - and to argue that no encampment will ensue because there are no beds is a FALLACY - many homeless do not want to live with rules - this is why they are in tents 8) allowing encampments has allowed MILLIONS of dollars in damage to our city property - that we as taxpayers have to deal with - a support service centre and housing hub WILL bring another encampment to this area - and the woods will be destroyed, as well as possible the CN rail line (or there is a risk that they could be walking along the rail line - causing possible liability to CN rail if any are injured or killed) 9) there are many low income working poors, seniors or those on ODSP who could benefit far more from having this property developed as an affordable housing building than a small, minority population who belong either in psychiatric hospitals or drug rehabilitation center with 24/7 security - you are putting the needs of 50-100 people ahead of HUNDREDS. 10) it is clear from what I have heard that you DO PLAN to shut down the Hub and move services to Extendicare location - you have seen what has happened - you will DESTROY our neighborhood 11) clients are being sent from other towns to our hospitals because they say there are more resources here and none leave - send them back - we cannot keep bearing the burden 12) prisoners are leaving jail with no money or apartments or job - after they are in a halfway house - they should be in APARTMENTS - not a nursing home room 13) SPEND THIS MONEY ON BUILDING MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND YOU WOULD HAVE MY SUPPORT - try to turn extendicare into a support and transitional house service place so that you can shut down the Hub and I will support any legal battle that can be hold 14) we have had enough of the garbage this city has become because of allowing encampments - force them into 24/7 psychiatric hospitals or rehabilitation with security. NO TO QUEEN MARY BEING A SUPPORTING AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FACILITY A very concerned resident from across [Redacted].

- Hello, I would like to share my response to the pre-consultation question: what pre-engagement feedback do you have for a supportive and transitional housing facility at 309 Queen Mary Road? I suggest that the survey designers list all possible and permitted uses of 309 Queen Mary Road under the zoning bylaw and official plan designation. It is important to me as a resident and member of this community that I can learn more about all permitted uses of this land beyond the currently proposed supportive and transitional housing shown in the pre-consultation. Namely, I suggest that the real survey take a broader scope on all legal land and zoning uses than what is currently being considered in the pre-

consultation. I would also like to add that the survey should include a space for feedback on: personal safety debris and junk accumulation induced threatening behaviour in the neighbourhoods assurances for stability of property and insurance prices list of other possible uses for the 309 Queen Mary Road property Finally, I would like to see legally binding assurances that another institution or organization will not seek reconsideration for a supportive and transitional housing facility on this property at another time in the future. I would like to see the consultation consider the legal options for assurances that can be made to the surrounding community. Thank you. Sincerely, [Redacted]

- Please do not do this. Or at the very LEAST make the rules strict. People who want to better themselves. Not addicts and criminals. You're going to ruin a neighborhood. Just like on Montreal street. Please do not destroy this part of town. Respectfully, [Redacted]
- Please re-consider putting any kind of transitional housing for the homeless in this residential neighbourhood. You said this won't replace the integrated care hub but who are you fooling you are going to end up in the same situation as you have now at the hub. The majority of these people are either hard core drug addicts or mentally challenged individuals who will cause havoc in the neighbourhood. The same as at the hub they will put up their tents, have garbage strewn all over, dirty needles, drugs will be rampant and crime will follow. Many of these people have no regard for the rule of law or how they effect society and feel they are entitled to do what they want. You already have many frightened seniors and families with just the anticipation of moving these people here. Last year you put millions of dollars into the area fixing it up and they will destroy it as evident from the Belle park and integrated hub area. This controversy has already devalued everyone's property and caused undo stress for so many residents. The city owns the Belle park area and there are no houses close to it. Why not put these people there and put up what ever structure you feel they need. The tents and tiny houses have lots of space on the point and they are not close to any residential area. Keep the building at 309 Queen Mary Road to be a transitional housing for the long term patients in the area hospitals that are taking up so many beds. It is a crisis in the hospitals for people to get beds partially because of these long term patients waiting for an opening at one of the long term care facilities. You really need to think this thru would you want these people in your neighbourhood? It is fine for council and the mayor to vote and put it in someone else district because it is not in theirs but you would never vote to have it next to where you live. Hiding this is secrecy for all this time was certainly unfair because you knew the reaction but as long as it doesn't effect your constituents you seem to be ok with it but it is not [Redacted]
- Request form for feedback. Thanks.

- G does not use a computer and would like to have one of the Queen Mary Rd surveys sent to her by mail. She has asked for a few copies of it for her neighbours
- Caller is having issues with trying to login to the Get Involved Survey. It takes out her postal code, and says necessary field but won't let her put it in. Was entering it with no spaces, as directed. Asking for a mailed copy instead. Please send to: [Redacted]. If survey can be emailed, that would work too. She is quite interested in completing the survey.
- 309 Queen Mary Rd The past year the city has spent lots of money on the area with the KP trails and walking path, new walking bridge over the marsh and now you want to undo all that work, waste that money and open a Hub in that same area. We all walk our kids and dogs in this safe area but it won't be nice or safe if you open it up to these people with no respect for any community. This is not a good move at all.
- Hello, I am writing with regards to the city's poorly-thought out and possibly illegal plan to turn 309 Queen Mary Road into supportive housing. I have MANY concerns about this plan. 1. The survey to ask residents what they think about the plan was done AFTER the purchase of the land. That shows that the city made plans without caring about what we think. 2. The survey did not ask real questions. Why not ask about other uses? For example, we are in a crisis for long term care beds, and the building is a long-term care facility. Why not ask people if they would like to use it as such? 3. What plans does the city have to assure the safety of the residents of the neighbourhood? There is a park within a few hundred meters of this facility, and 2 schools each 1 km away (easy walking distance). Let me be clear: if this happens in Kingston, I will 100% go to the media that you were warned and that we sounded the alarm loud and clear, and you chose to ignore. [Redacted] 4. What is the plan around camps? This neighbourhood is a suburb. There are no easy walking grocery stores, social supports. 5. What is the plan to keep this neighbourhood clean of dangerous debris and regular old garbage? 6. Why did you not ask residents their opinion prior to purchasing the land? Why did you not consider the massive wait times for the emergency department at KGH, which are fueled by patients who are ALC (alternate level of care) at KGH and PCH, waiting for long-term care. I am a family physician in Kingston, and I work in both hospital medicine and community family medicine, and soon will also be working in long-term care. I am in a unique position to see just how critical the long-term care facility will be for helping the flow of patients in the hospital, which helps EVERYONE with an emergency. I am also in a position to see the most vulnerable people of the city, who need SOCIAL supports. A building of 100 of the most vulnerable people will make them MORE vulnerable to those who take advantage, such as the people who worked

for the hub and sold the users drugs. The hub was not a success - that is obvious. Please recognize that it was a mistake, and fix it, instead of moving it to my neighbourhood and endangering my children. Sincerely, [Redacted]

- Since the announcement of the hub moving to Queen Mary Rd and Bath. Our entire world has been in Kaos. This will make us and many of our neighbors homeless. Bankrupt and no where to go. Please stop this experiment it doesn't work here , anywhere or the rest of Canada. Use this area for more residential homes or for seniors or veterans. Not for those who have little or no interest in. Our community [Redacted]
- Good morning, I would like to know if the city has completed any studies on the impact of low barrier support services, such as ICH, on the local neighborhood - including their mental health, physical safety and cleanliness of the surrounding environment. If so, I would appreciate copies. If not, I am requesting that the city hire experts with no conflict of interest to perform this study to determine whether or not low barrier support services (ie. tolerated substance abuse) offered at transitional housing and other locations has an impact on the quality of life (including mental health, physical safety and cleanliness of the surrounding area) of local Residents. This study should include the area around the hub as a good example. Thank You in advance! [Redacted]. PS - I would request this study and information prior to making Any decisions regarding extendicare services.
- Stop the proposal for the safe injection site at Queen Mary Rd and Bath
- Date: February 6, 2024 at 5:10:51 PM EST To: [Mayor&Council@cityofkingston.ca](mailto:Mayor&Council@cityofkingston.ca), [Redacted], [Redacted], [Redacted] Cc: [Redacted] Subject: What about the rest of us? Fwd: City advances transitional and supportive housing options through property acquisitions I respectfully ask you, how are you supporting the rest of us who have to put up with needles, garbage, break-ins, theft and general fear ? I want my kids to safely walk To The boys and girls Club or ride their bikes in the new path behind Queen Mary. I want to let them walk to their school. None of this is possible now without causing me worry about their safety and what they will see. Time and again, I feel the needs of few, while important, supersedes our need for a safe, clean and enjoyable life in Kingston, which is equally important. I can no longer walk the arbour ridge trail Because of people in the woods at the far end and under the bridge. I don't want to walk alone at night in my neighborhood. I am Not alone. Let's get homeless people who can help themselves into affordable apartments. Let's help low income seniors and those on disability who cannot afford rent. And if Mental illness or addiction prevents someone from Contributing to society - then find them a safe place to live with 24/7 security and rules. And let's deal those who are unwilling to help Themselves or follow The rules in the proper manner. When is enough, enough? Why am I not important too? Where are my rights? So next



time You talk about committing to the safety of vulnerable people, pause for a moment and think of the thousands more Who don't feel safe because of what has happened to this city. Hello, CIn your communications you repeatedly state that the extendicare property is not intended to be the site of the integrated care hub located on Montreal street. I would appreciate knowing how you are making this distinction between :1) the services being offered by the ICH And 2) who is offering the services at the ICH What you plan to offer as services at extendicare and who will be offering these services. To me they are the same except a different location and a different name. If I am incorrect, I would appreciate knowing precisely what I am not getting right. And where you plan to move hub services to when the lease expires. It is incumbent upon you to be transparent in this process so citizens can make informed decisions. Thank you in advance for your consideration. [Redacted]. Hello. Your is the first réponse o have had to any questions I have sent. I must say that I am disappointed with the non-response you have provided. I have asked valid questions that I would expect the city to have answers to as part of the due diligence that should have been performed before agreeing to purchase extendicare. As a taxpayer and a local resident, I expect to be consulted on the proposals themselves - not after the fact to ensure I have an accurate understanding of the proposal. I am sorry, but my reaction to your wording is that I find it offensive. The ICH was poorly run. It was a low barrier option. And it resulted in an encampment that the city cannot remove. I do not want the same people involved in any way with extendicare. In fact, i do not want any enabled substance anywhere near a residential neighborhood. We have rights and needs too - the right and need for safety, the right and need for mental security and the right to a clean environment. I support transitional housing but only if there are strictly enforced rules and zero tolerance for substance abuse on site or within an acceptable radius. I would also expect the city to have a plan on place to ensure that these people can move into affordable housing - have you checked housing stock to ensure that this will happen? If upstream movement is not available - you are doomed to fail. I will be supporting any legal action there is available to endure that this is not run by anyone involved with ICH, that it is not a low barrier resource and the substance abuse is not allowed on site or anywhere near my neighborhood. You have proven you could not control ICH or Belle Park and you are now planning to move this mess to our neighborhood without thought. Shame on you and everyone involved in approving this. If you want local community support- consider it transitional housing for refugees, those who are off drugs and stable, those who are mentally ill and stabilized with medication, women fleeing violence, etc. From Groups that have proven they can keep the tea clean and safe. Propose it for low barrier

substance abuse and anyone involved from ICH and you will get a fight from Grenville Park. [Redacted]

- Very well said and I am with Kathryn on this. We will fight this from happening with any means we have. Enough with this nonsense!
- From: [Redacted] Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2024 3:36 PM To: Mayor & Council Cc: [Redacted]: City's Proposed Plan for Transitional Housing Hub at Extendicare Property CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders. Hello Mayor Paterson, and City Council Members, I am a resident and Condo Board member residing at [Redacted] Queen Mary Rd., and I have lived here for 10+ years. I wish to voice my strong opposition to the proposed plan for a transitional housing Hub at the Extendicare property. I won't list the reasons for my opposition at this time, but suffice it to say if the Integrated Care Hub is any indication of what we may be led to expect, then neighbourhood opposition should come as no surprise. As a side note, it seems that anyone I have spoken to who is in favour of the proposed plan, does not live in the actual Extendicare area. Obviously, those in favour state their support of our unhoused brothers and sisters, only not in their area, which is not surprising, though it is hypocritical in my humble opinion. I wish to strongly advocate for public meetings and consultation on the possible uses of the Extendicare land before a report is drafted, and presented to City Council. This entire issue has essentially blindsided the neighbourhood residents, so to just rubber stamp a plan, and then implement it would be extremely unfair, not to mention seemingly underhanded. Thank-you for your consideration, [Redacted]
- From: [Redacted] Date: Tue, Feb 6, 2024 at 3:12 PM Subject: Request for public consultation To: , [Redacted] , Hello again, It is my understanding that a report will be coming to council soon regarding what will be done with the property at Extendicare. I would like to ask that there be public consultation and meetings about this property and its intended use prior to the draft going to council. Having community input is an important step in this process and those of us who live in the community deserve to have our concerns heard BEFORE the report goes to council. Thank you, [Redacted]
- From: [Redacted] Date: Tue, Feb 6, 2024 at 2:38 PM Subject: Against city's proposal of moving integrated care hub to Queen Mary Road To: , Hi there, My name is [Redacted] and I am a full-time working professional who lives on Queen Mary Road near the Extendicare property. I have lived in Kingston for many years and have resided in my current location for three years now. I'm extremely disappointed and disheartened to hear your proposal to move the integrated care hub from the Montreal location to my quiet neighborhood. It's appalling to think you're going to take this failed model of care and infiltrate a quiet and respectful

environment with not only the same issues, but the high potential of this issue multiplying and worsening. Us taxpayers do have a say in this and we are speaking out and pushing back on any proposal for low income or transitional housing model for that location! Queen Mary Road and the surrounding areas are the homes to many young families, elders, working professionals and beautiful wildlife that live on the protected lands. The increased crime, drug use, overdoses, deaths, damaged property, sexual/physical abuse, garbage/litter, noise & chaos that you would be bringing to our area is criminal. You have NOT demonstrated a successful model of care for the homeless issue and you're simply just moving a problem. There is very limited community support surrounding the Extencicare location for the population in question, this is why they are located on Montreal Street - better opportunities for money, free food programs, walk-in clinic, Street Health supports, recreation, etc.. None of which will be supported at the current Extencicare location. I work with the vulnerable population within the nonprofit sector and many of us were unaware of this and have no plans on supporting this proposal. AMHS has many issues on how they operate and support this program and population, therefore I have legitimate concerns if they continue to oversee and relocate this issue to a quiet neighbourhood. If this moves forward, I will be seeking legal advice. Devise an appropriate plan to help these individuals without ruining the lives of others. Sincerely, [Redacted].

- Subject: Re: Report to council on the possible uses of the Extencicare property  
Date: Tue, 6 Feb 2024 15:41:10 -0500 From:[Redacted] To: [Redacted] , [Mayor&Council@cityofkingston.ca](mailto:Mayor&Council@cityofkingston.ca), [Redacted],[Redacted] Mayor and Council of Kingston What a disturbing possible development for the Extencicare property. A lot of the area residents do not know about this. I agree with Councillor McLaren that significant public consultation and thought be given before any decisions are made. Options should be carefully considered. Personally I see this as a very negative development for this area, based on all of the trouble that the Integrated Care Hub (ICH) on Montreal St. has created for residents, businesses and city staff. Although I am sure the residents around the current ICH can't wait to get rid of it, but that is just pushing the problems onto others and there will be many. A question for you all, would you want this type of facility located near where you live? Say within a city block or two? Suggest careful consideration be given to develop the property to ease the housing situation for residents and incoming students. I look forward to receiving further detailed information on this topic and public consultation before decisions are made. [Redacted]
- From: [Redacted] Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2024 4:15 PM To: Mayor & Council Cc: [Redacted] Subject: Public meeting and consultation. CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening

attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders. Good afternoon. Obviously your decision as a whole has not be well accepted regarding the use of the Extendicare property. As a neighbor of this property, and a life long citizen of Kingston, I strongly urge you to hold public meetings and consultation with everyone who will be affected by any decision made. Personally, I believe that this has to be one of the most idiotic ideas made by the city. I, and many others, look forward to your reconsideration of this proposal. Thank you.

- From: [Redacted] Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2024 4:25 PM To: Mayor & Council Cc: [Redacted] ; City Clerk ; [Redacted] ; [Redacted] ; [Redacted] Subject: Request for public consultation - possible uses of extendicare on bath road CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders. It has come to my attention that the city has agreed to purchase the extendicare property per your vote of December 19, 2023. There was one person in opposition- Jeff McLaren. I signed up for automated email from the city so I could be consulted on significant decisions affecting my city. In this case, there was no public consultation and it has been kept very quiet until the release of the global news article. Apparently you didn't think it worthy of a public consult, but I can assure you that I am one of many who disagree. I am urgently requesting as a tax paying citizen that public meetings and consultation be held on the possible uses of the Extendicare property on Bath Road BEFORE a report to council is drafted. [Redacted]
- From: [Redacted] Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2024 4:41 PM To: Mayor & Council ; City Clerk Subject: Extendicare Report to council on the possible uses of the Extendicare proprety CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders. To Whom It May Concern; I am formally requesting public meetings and consultation on possible uses of the Extendicare land BEFORE a report to council is drafted. Respectfully, [Redacted] Kingston, Ontario [Redacted]
- From: [Redacted] Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2024 5:55 PM To: Mayor & Council Cc: [Redacted] ; City Clerk ; [Redacted] Subject: Request for public consultation - possible uses of Extendicare on bath road CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders. It has come to my attention that the city has agreed to purchase the Extendicare property per the council vote of December 19, 2023. I signed up for automated email from the city so I could be consulted on significant decisions affecting my city. In this case, there was no public consultation, and it has been kept very quiet until the release of the global news article. I am formally requesting that public meetings and consultation be

held on the possible uses of the Extencicare property on Bath Road before a report to council is drafted.[Redacted] Resident of Meadowbrook-Strathcona Ward.

- From: [Redacted] Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2024 8:28 AM To: Mayor & Council ; [Redacted] ; [Redacted] Subject: Future of Extencicare property  
CAUTION: This email originated from outside your organization. Exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders.  
Good morning, I am writing to strongly urge you to invite community consultation concerning the future use of the Extencicare property prior to any draft reports being written and submitted to Council. The decision the City makes will have a major impact on the surrounding neighbourhood and must be made after giving serious consideration to the issues and concerns raised. Thank you [Redacted].
- From: [Redacted] Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2024 8:01 AM To: Mayor & Council ;[Redacted] ; [Redacted] Subject: Re: Requesting public meetings on possible uses of Extencicare land BEFORE a report to council is drafted  
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On Tue, Feb 6, 2024, 7:59 p.m. [Redacted] wrote: To whom it may concern: I am a resident of [REDACTED] This email is to show that I am strongly against anything being planned for our community without our input. We want NO Part of the current situation at the Care Hub and/or sleeping cabins!! Regards, [Redacted].
- To our elected mayor and elected council members Based on what is currently being proposed for the Extended Health Care unit In our residential area. We are against this based on anything being planned for our community without our input. We want no part of the current situation at the care hub and/or sleeping cabins [Redacted] Kingston, On
- I am a resident at and angered by the possibility of the city setting up a homelessness shelter at the end of my street in the current extended care location. How and why would you ever think this would be an ideal location in a residential area where many seniors and families with children reside and walk everyday. Also the city just spent monies developing a beautiful trail which will become an unfortunate hangout for homelessness people , drugs and violence and no longer a safe trail to enjoy a walk . I think the city council along with the mayor have made a decision underhanded and have acted like bullies to the residents surrounding this property. We are fighting for a safe environment to continue to live and enjoy. To be able to walk freely as we have been !!! I promises with all I have along with my neighbours to voice and fight to halter this decision so we continue to live and be safe at [Redacted] and [Redacted] Queen Mary Rd. [Redacted] Kingston

- I am a senior citizen who just moved into Kingston and bought a condo at [REDACTED] I am horrified to find out that the property adjacent to my building is considered to be turned into an integrated care hub for the homeless , safe consumption and injection site. This is a horror I just moved away from and my fears are numerous. My own safety, the safety of my grandchildren foremost. Peaceful setting that was the reason I moved to Kingston shattered. Disruption of Kingston Transit, adjacent trails lined with needles , bodies of people squatting, setting shelters there. Noise, rising cost of insurance as the crime rate is guaranteed to rise are just the first thoughts that come to mind. I would like to express my outrage at this being an option as we all know that this model of solving homelessness has proven to fail across the large cities as well as in Kingston ( Montreal str fiasco). [Redacted]
- Dear Councilors, Mayor and City of Kingston Staff: The City's purchase of 309 Queen Mary Road and your plans for it are of significant concern for many who reside in the vicinity of this property. We expect thorough consultation with the surrounding community about your plans for 309 Queen Mary Road so that everyone who wants to provide input has ample opportunity to do so. [Redacted]
- Queen Mary Road, may soon be used to provide services for the unhoused in our city. I'm imagining this area becoming what has developed in the current location of "the hub" on Montreal Street. NO THANK YOU! There's a reason the lease on this building is not being renewed. To the best of my knowledge, there have been no PUBLIC meetings to inform residents in proximity to this property of this possibility of change, nor has there been any opportunity for voices and opinions to be heard. Our tax dollars just paid to have The Rideau Trail in this area updated and it's beautiful! I believe with the change of use to a hub, for the homeless, there is a great risk of the establishment of another "tent city" along this trail and surrounding area. PLEASE allow the opportunity for PUBLIC hearings and consultations BEFORE a decision is voted on regarding this property.[Redacted]
- To the Mayor, Council, and City Staff, I understand there is an agreement in place for the City to purchase the Extencicare building in the near future, and potentially transform it into a transitional housing base. As a resident of the Grenville Park community that neighbours the Extencicare facility, we have serious concerns about the impact this will have on our area. I am formally requesting public meetings and consultation on possible uses of the Extencicare land BEFORE a report to submitted for Council consideration. Regards, [Redacted] Kingston, Ontario
- Hi folks I saw your press release today and of course it is on the news. Can you please advise when and where the first public consultation is? I imagine that would be the first step prior to any further planning now that you have acquisition

of the property organized? Given the potential impacts on all of the communities involved, as well as the conservation area itself next door to the site, it will certainly be critical in order to proceed with all the players onboard. thank you [Redacted]

- I am a 72 year old vulnerable senior living on [Redacted] facing the Extendicare location and am writing to strongly oppose any plans to move forward without full public consultation and assurances for the safety of our current community. As a resident of [REDACTED] I write to officially request public meetings and consultation on possible uses of the Extendicare land BEFORE a report to council is drafted. Sincerely, [Redacted] Concerned citizen and tax payer
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- As a resident of {REDACTED} I write to officially request public meetings and consultation on possible uses of the Extendicare land BEFORE a report to council is drafted. I also voice my utmost opposition to any services being put into the Extendicare location without consultation with all members of the Grenville Park and Portsmouth Village neighborhoods. We will not accept our community being yet another guinea pig for the City to once again prove that they have absolutely no idea how to deal with homelessness or those in need of special services. STOP MOVING THE PROBLEM, that does not work, you've proven it! Our communities are united and will pursue legal action and we will fight this at every step and hold each council member to account for gambling with our future, our property and our security. The speed at which you are moving this along only goes to prove that you are simply kicking the can down the road and trying to ruin yet another neighborhood. We won't have it! [Redacted]  
Resident of [Redacted]
- We are owners as well as residents of [REDACTED] . We have heard of the proposed use for this property and wish to voice our opposition. This is a quiet residential area and we would like it to stay that way. We feel that the current proposal will stop this from happening and affect our safety and security in our homes. Thank you for your support.
- I want to make my opposition to the plan of moving the care hub to Extendicare without public meetings known. I am a single senior living in the condo at the end of Queen Mary Rd. I am concerned about my safety not to mention the decrease in my property value. I am asking for you to be transparent with the people in the neighborhood about your intentions ,and,schedule a public meeting so that we can express our concerns. I look forward to hearing from you. [Redacted]
- Mayor, Councillors et al: I am a concerned resident of the community next door to Extendicare home. I totally disagree with the proposed plan to have Extendicare repurposed for transitional housing, consumption treatment services, integrated Care Hub, counsellig services, safe injection site etc or any combination thereof.

Public meetings and Public consultation must take place before any final decisions are made. With the purchase of the land by the City I fear much has been done behind the scenes and the City may think this is a done deal. NO, Just by moving these services (wherever the location) you have to fix the model of services that has been proved NOT to work in their current locations! The Extencicare location is not appropriate as it is in a relatively quiet residential area with vulnerable population of children and seniors etc. As a resident I am concerned with safety and security in my area, personal and property. The value of our homes/property will go down. With the recent refurbishment to the trail and services in my immediate area it will be very attractive for "tent city" to surface here! Folks will not feel safe walking the trail. We have already had issues with tents etc in the wood areas in between 334 Queen Mary Road Admiral's Walk building and the railroad track directly behind the Hyundi Dealership. Our insurance premiums will be affected should we have to submit a claim in relation to any events stemming from this proposed site. Once the insurance company knows this is the cause, rates go up. This is not right and with everyone struggling more than ever to make ends meet financially! Legal Action may have to be taken if our voices are not heard and listened to. I am sure the police who already make frequent flyer trips to the current locations will have the same just a different location. Our Police Services are stretched thin enough! We are also in close vicinity to the LCBO just up on Armstrong Road for easy access! I wish to be informed of upcoming public meetings and consultation and also when the next Council meeting is that the public can attend. While I have empathy and concern for the folks that frequent and need these services, this is not the proper location for them or my community and sorry to say I must use the saying "NOT IN MY BACK YARD". Regards, [Redacted]

- Hello Mr. Mayor and Council I would like to bring forward our concerns today on the possible uses of the Extencicare land. We are outraged about the proposed use of the building/land. We are a residential community with seniors, families with children and grandchildren. When we purchased our properties, it was because of the location of the property and the surrounding amenities. Raising children and grandchildren in an area where a few steps from our front door there could be 1) the consumption treatment services (CTS) 2) the integrated Care Hub, 3) transitional housing, 4) safe injection site????...Would you or anyone want this at their front door. You will be making our community unsafe for us to live in and raise our children. Take a look at the Hub now...we do not want that at our front door anymore than you all do...that environment will pose serious safety issues, health issues, and an impact on the conservation wildlife and surrounding environment. We need to be heard, listened to and considered before any decisions are made. We are requesting a public meeting and consultation on



these possible uses BEFORE a report to council is drafted. We are against anything being planned for our community without our input, and we want NO part of the current Care Hub and/or sleeping cabins. Thank you for listening.[Redacted].

- As a resident of [Redacted], I request public meetings and consultation on possible uses of the Extencicare land before any reports to council are drafted and carried out without our knowledge. Your actions have immediately negatively affected our property values and will destroy this beautiful conservation and residential section of this city that we love. Shame on you all for treating responsible tax paying residents with such disregard over a HUGE issue! [Redacted].
- Dear Mayor and Councilors, I have recently heard in the news that the city has purchased the Extencicare property at Queen Mary and Bath Roads, with a plan to possibly move the Integrated Care Hub and other services into the space. As someone who has lived in the area for nearly 20 years, who has a [Redacted] at [Redacted], I have witnessed many changes to my neighbourhood. I am excited to see the possibilities that this can hold and the genuine benefit to residents this can provide. However, I also think it is important for transparency that the community be consulted about the possibilities and the potential impact. When we first moved in 2006 almost all the homes were older persons, who's families had moved on. Since then, many of those homes sold, and the older generation have passed on, becoming student rentals, with landlords neglecting the properties and people parking on the lawn. While an increase in density is necessary and desirable, attention needs to be paid as to how this can be done without a corresponding increase in crime. We lost the grocery store, Produce Town, about 10 years ago and will be losing Food Basics in a few months, so our neighbourhood will become a food desert for the many who rely on walking to the store to get basic necessities. While petty theft has always been a problem, neighbours will be worried that tent cities will appear in the woods near the property, that sheds will be broken into and bicycle theft will be rampant. The creek that runs beside the property has also long had a problem with garbage, as no one is responsible for cleaning up the area. Having seen what has happened with Belle Park, neighbours are understandably uneasy. Those are legitimate concerns. Public consultation is necessary. We need to have faith in the process. We need to ensure our concerns are addressed and mitigation plans are in place. I love my home, and plan to stay here a long time. I'd like to welcome new neighbours, including refugees, the homeless and those with addictions and mental health issues because I know they are in need of a safe place to stay. Let's work together to make sure it is safe and welcoming for everyone. [Redacted]

- Hi, I just found out that the Extencicare building has been sold and will be converted for a place for the homeless. I am a senior woman residing at [REDACTED] and am so scared and worried about what my life and home area will be like if Kingston City council converts the Extencicare building into a consumption treatment centre, integrated care hub, safe injection site etc. Providing lodging for the homeless who have mental and addiction issues for up to 100 - 150 residents means DANGER in my residential community of both young families with children and vulnerable seniors and elders. Why am I just hearing about this? Why are we not being consulted before decisions have been made? Will I be safe going for walks or shopping? What about that beautiful Rideau trail they just renovated this past summer? Will it be filled with homeless people, used needles and other drug paraphernalia cluttering the grounds, will tents start popping up, will it become a drug dealing area? What about all our vehicles in the open parking lots? Will they be broken into in search for money or stuff to sell to feed their habit? Will the Kingston police be around to help us when needed cuz surely the crime in this area will increase because of the city's decision. This is my home, my investment, what will happen to the value of our properties if this is brought to our currently very sought after area to live. My home is where I should feel safe. I'm worried property values will plummet and area will be designated a high risk crime area which will increase our insurance rates for both our vehicles and property. I won't feel safe leaving my unit and I can't afford to sell below market value in order to purchase a new unit in another desirable areas at today's housing prices. I have no other family here in this city. Why can't an alternate decision be made that would be positive for the community? Where it would increase property values, attract people to want to live and shop in the area and boost the economy for this area, not the reverse? Do I need to seek legal council? Question - how would you feel if this was happening where you live? I would like to be present for all public consultations available before a final decision is made so please let me know what dates this will be. Much appreciated.. Thanks and have a great day, [Redacted]
- Dear Council and Staff, Please accept this email as a formal request for a public meeting and consultation on the possible uses of the Extencicare land BEFORE a report to council is drafted. As an owner and resident who has interest in the neighbourhood, being able to have a public meeting or consultation with the city and other neighbours on the possible use cases for the Extencicare property would be greatly appreciated. [Redacted].
- PLEASE STOP the proposed plan for the Extencicare land at 309 Queen Mary Rd. I request Public Meetings and Consultation on possible uses of the land take place BEFORE a report to council is drafted. I am a resident and owner at [REDACTED] Moving the failed model of the ICH and its partners HARS and

KCHC from one location to another location (my location) is not what my neighbours and community envisioned when we purchased and invested in our homes and personal property including the comfort of knowing we live in a safe and controlled neighbourhood and environment. Moving a vulnerable group of citizens to the Extencicare property will create a new group of vulnerable citizens – me, my neighbours, our elderly, our school children, all of whom use the sidewalks, streets, crosswalks, the newly designed walkway/path behind the property, our wooded area, and the list goes on. The reality is the property and land will be inundated with tents, garbage, needles, drugs, alcohol, second hand smoke, fires, mischief, criminal activity, all of which will put our community of neighbours, our children, our elderly, and wildlife at risk. The value of my home and my personal property for which I have worked hard for and pay taxes to the city will plummet. Please engage and consult with the public immediately for a better solution for all who will be impacted by the decisions that will be made by the City of Kingston. Thank you and regards, [Redacted].

- City Council, I live in [Redacted] with my young family. I **VEHEMENTLY OBJECT** to your plan to convert the Extencicare Facility to the Integrated Care Hub/Safe injection site/ Consumption Services Facility/ Transitional Housing. Within the last couple of years this neighbourhood has seen a marked increase in crime and a marked decrease in safety. Cars and sheds are constantly being broken into; my neighbour found two drug addicts invading their home and were stealing their purses...all the while their 12 year old daughter was sleeping!! Kids can't play on the soccer field now without first doing a sweep for needles and pipes, and we can't walk our dogs along the paths anytime after dusk. Now imagine if this was your neighborhood, and your backyard. Understandably, that is why you wish to push this through **PROMPTLY, AND WITHOUT PUBLIC CONSULTATION....**so long as it keeps it away from where you all live!! No need to sugarcoat or try to assure us that this will not be the new Integrated Care Hub, it is clear the Council sees an easy solution and without any concern for the **FAMILIES** that live in the area, you are willing, and pressing, to move it here. We pay exorbitant property tax in this area, as it used to be a lovely place to live. How dare you take my taxes and buy this building to turn into a drug hub. We all know there is a problem with unhoused people in Kingston, but the absolute **DISASTER** that is IHC and Belle Park (not to mention the OddFellows building on Concession) shows that this city is clearly incapable of dealing with these issues...the solution you have found is to move it to a beautiful area full of young families, seniors, longtime residents. **JUST NOT YOUR BACKYARDS.** I challenge you all to stroll around Montreal Street, near the Integrated Care Hub, or take a walk through Belle Park and see how safe you feel. Don't move that catastrophe to Polson Park, Grenville Park, Calvin Park. I officially request public meetings and

consultation on the proposed possible uses of the Extencicare land BEFORE a report to council is drafted. I also voice my utmost opposition to any services being put into the Extencicare location without consultation with all members of the affected neighborhoods.[Redacted].

- Hi All, I am writing to express deep concern and opposition regarding the recent announcement of the city's plan to relocate homeless individuals to the building across from [Redacted] Queen Mary Road. As a resident of this neighbourhood, I represent a community comprising young families, seniors, and single individuals, all of whom cherish the peacefulness and safety of our neighborhood. While we understand the city's commitment to addressing homelessness and providing support to vulnerable populations, we are deeply troubled by the potential implications of this decision on our community's well-being. We are strongly against the proposal of the Extencicare land the City has put forth. This sudden news in such close proximity raises significant anxieties among residents, including concerns about safety, security, and the overall quality of life in our neighborhood. Homelessness is often associated with challenges such as substance abuse, mental health issues, and criminal behavior. Our community fears that the arrival of homeless individuals, particularly those engaged in activities such as substance abuse, may lead to an increase in crime, disturbances, and the deterioration of our once peaceful environment. The proximity of LCBO will not help. We urge the city to reconsider its decision and explore alternative solutions to the Extencicare land use that prioritize the well-being and safety of our established community. As a concerned resident, we are open to engaging in constructive dialogue and request public meetings and consultation on possible use of Extencicare land before a report to council is drafted. We look forward to voicing our concerns at public meetings. [Redacted].
- Hi. I live at [REDACTED] and am shocked and frustrated with the recent news of what's planned to happen with Extencicare. I live in a quiet neighbourhood with young families with children and older individuals. We have a safe community. Our children can play outside and go to the bus stop without any concern. With the recent renovation/improvement to the path (Rideau Trail) there is even more reason to be outside, as the abundance of wildlife is a beauty to witness. Me and my family along with my neighbours are opposed to what is being proposed. Call it whatever you want but we want nothing of homeless-people-sorts in our neighborhood. All we would anticipate is drugs, drinking, crime and disruption. We do not want to welcome this in our neighbourhood! This is our home that is being disturbed! My neighbours and I are against anything being planned for our community without our input !! We request public meetings and consultation on possible use of Extencicare land before a report to council is drafted.

- Hello, I am a resident of the building at [Redacted], and was recently informed of the Kingston City Council's consideration of turning the current Extendicare property into 1) a consumption treatment centre, 2) integrated care hub, 3) a safe injection site, etc. While I am not opposed to aiding people in need, I strongly object to the proposition of using the extendicare building for this purpose, for numerous reasons: 1)It poses a huge safety risk for residents already living in the area, specifically seniors and children walking outside 2)It will destroy the safety and beauty of the nearby Rideau trail 3)It will devalue all surrounding properties in the area 4)It will lead to another 'tent city' and lead to garbage and unsafe needles littering the area As a young university student who specifically chose to live in this building due to the quality/safety of the surrounding area, and relying on this property as an investment for my future, I am extremely concerned for the multitude of consequences that will result from this change. I am one of many who are very concerned about the negative consequences of this decision. I expect that the public will be consulted and our concerns will be heard prior to a decision being made in regards to this property. Sincerely, [Redacted]
- Good morning, I understand the city has agreed to purchase the Extendicare building and property @ 309 Queen Mary Road as per the council's vote on December 19, 2023. My request as a property owner and taxpayer is that public meetings and consultations be held on the possible uses of the Extendicare property @ 309 Queen Mary Road before a report to the council is drafted. [Redacted].
- I am requesting public meetings and consultation on possible uses of Extendicare land BEFORE a report to council is drafted. I am against anything being planned for our community without our input. We want no part of the current situation at the Care Hub and/or sleeping cabins. I have lived at since 1992 (32 years) and have enjoyed the area and the building all these years. I am proud of the quality of the building. I am very concerned of what could happen at Extendicare building, just steps from my home. We do not want to be concerned of our well being and devaluation of our investment at [Redacted]. An apartment building would be a wonderful addition to this area and a much safer choice. Thank you [Redacted].
- We are a senior couple residing at [Redacted] and strongly object to Kingston City council's options to convert that property into 1) a consumption treatment centre, 2) integrated care hub, 3) safe injection site, etc. Providing lodging for the homeless who have mental health issues and addictions, for up to 100 residents in the extendicare building spells DANGER in our neighbourhood. What kind of 24/7 supervision would be in place ? The Rideau Trail close to the property was just extensively updated and beautified, it would end up being another 'tent city' for the homeless who do not want to follow rules at their residence. The trail

would also be littered with unsafe injection needles and garbage. We expect that there will be public hearings and consultations before a decision is voted on. Sincerely your concerned citizens, [Redacted]

- I am writing to the recent acquisition of 309 Queen Mary by the City of Kingston and the proposal for transitional housing. As you can imagine, the news came as quite a shock and the condo owners in the area including myself are very anxious and feel helpless as to the uncertainty of what will happen next. As a realtor, I can say with certainty some of the proposals , if passed will significantly drop the values of properties in the area. In fact, on the listing I currently have for sale at [Redacted] , we have not had a single showing since the news hit the press. I sincerely hope there will be a public meeting before any further decisions are unilaterally made by the City and the voice of tax payers in the area will be considered. Regards, [Redacted].
- To all that it may concern: It has come to my attention that the city has agreed to purchase the extendicare property per your vote of December 19, 2023. There was one person in opposition- Jeff Maclaren. I wish I could be consulted on significant decisions affecting my city. In this case, there was no public consultation, and it has been kept very quiet until the release of the global news article. Apparently, you didn't think it worthy of a public consult, but I can assure you that I am one of many who disagree. I am urgently requesting as a tax paying citizen that public meetings and consultation be held on the possible uses of the Extendicare property on Bath Road BEFORE a report to council is drafted. Regards, [Redacted].
- I am an owner of a condominium, . I am curious to see what the city has planned for the property and do hope that we will be kept abreast of public meetings. As a senior, I want to feel safe in my neighbourhood. While I am not opposed to some of the ideas, I feel that checks and balances need to be addressed by any one wishing to purchase the property. I do also hope that it will not get pushed through without a lot of heartfelt, honest, open discussions without rancour. I also hope the attitude "not in my neighbourhood" does not precipitate the positive vote from other councillors as it won't be in their neighbourhood. Thank you for the hard work in these difficult times and for listening to my concerns. Sincerely, [Redacted].
- Good afternoon all, I hereby request a public meeting and community consultation on possible uses of the Extendicare land BEFORE a report to council is drafted and decisions made. It is imperative we have collaboration and input on this issue before you destroy our neighbourhood. [Redacted].
- We have just become aware that the city plans to purchase the Extendicare property. It sounds like there a several options being considered for what might happen at the site. As a resident of the area we totally understand that many

options need to be considered. This is why that we also believe that public consultation is critical to a successful transition for the property and surrounding area. It would appear that this process has not been given the appropriate time and/or consideration to ensure all stakeholders have been informed and been able to provide feedback. Hopefully public consultation will occur in the near future. Concerned resident, [Redacted].

- Dear Mayor Patterson: I am writing with great concern about the use of the property by Community Mental Health. You were very much aware that they were losing their lease at the Hub on Montreal Street. I have compassion for the homeless, but I would like to know if you would like to have this situation in your neighbourhood. I am not against the use of the facility, but I am concerned that it is going to be used for the injection site. That facility can be used for many other uses. Instead of keeping people on drugs why can it not be used for a drug rehab facility, detoxification unit or just an environment for actual transitional housing. We are two buildings that pay approximately \$400,000 in taxes, the businesses in the area pay taxes, yet we are not considered worthy enough to be considered about the devaluation of our property. I am concerned about the way this has been handled. There are many buildings in this area of the city, so it is a very densely populated area . You just spent tax payer dollars on the trail leading through to Princess Street and we would like some guarantees that the encampment from Montreal Street does not move to this location as it is adjacent to the conservation land. We have many children and young families in the area. Young people have invested in purchasing their first homes and many seniors such as myself have purchased a Condominium as my retirement home. Who is going to provide security for us and what about the needles that are left for children to pick up or seniors trying to keep their community clean. We would like some answers and guarantees from Council that a disaster such as The Hub will not take place in our community, and we lose all value in our homes. Thank you for taking the time to consider how we as a Community feel. Looking forward to a response. Sincerely [Redacted].
- Hello Mayor and Council, I am a resident of , right across the street from the Extencicare building, and I am very much is support of putting transitional, supportive, or low income housing in the existing Extencicare building. Failing that, a commitment that the space is earmarked for affordable housing, is central to solving the problem, which is homelessness and skyrocketing rental prices. Additionally, I would like to note that I strongly oppose the sale of the property to a private or for-profit developer. I am sure you are being inundated with blanket opposition from some of my neighbours, and I would like to lend support to the idea of using the existing building for housing. To this point all that has been released to the public is that there MIGHT be a lot of different kinds of programs

in that building. But it seems that we really won't know what the options are until the 14th of February. I really hope to see a variety of options put forward in the report that is being prepared on the topic. There are a range of housing options that would be a great fit for the existing building. I think supportive or transitional housing would be a great fit in the building given that it is currently set up as a long term care facility. There is a significant need for housing for people with mobility issues and addictions. But that model can be subject to a lot of objections. So I suggest that the city look into Homebase housing's model of transitional housing, which typically has stricter rules and retains a level of control over who is allowed to visit with the residents. I think a model like that would assuage a lot of concerns. Alternatively, the land could be used to build a multi residential unit complex, ideally a mixed income building, so that the city, or a housing provider like Homebase could offer low rent to some residents who need help getting on their feet. I am not sure what the appetite for redeveloping the land into a multi unit building is, but that would be the most impactful in working towards alleviating homelessness and the high cost of rent. But it is critical that the space be earmarked for affordable housing. On a more personal note, I am working on incorporating a Community Land Trust which is a non profit organization to serve the Kingston community, and I would like to extend a hand in partnership. If the City could offer some assistance in the incorporation process, and if there is a community housing partner, like Kingston Frontenac Housing, or Salvation Army willing to partner with the Land Trust on this matter I think it could be a happy compromise for the City and the neighborhood. Read more about community land trusts here [Redacted] It has been mentioned that a program like the integrated care hub might fill the space, I would like to see this but the City needs to make a significant investment in staff, programming, security, and supports being built up nearby. Additionally, if this Extencicare building is going to be a hub for lowincome individuals, there also needs to be a significant investment in the transit system to allow people to move around the city between where they sleep and the services that are located in the Grenville park area. Simply moving or replicating a program with the same gaps in funding, training and support, will not be an effective solution. I am really interested in being a part of the solution on this issue, please let me know when the next meeting on this topic is. Jeff McLaren will be at my building on Friday, but I cannot attend the meeting as I am out of town so I hope my thoughts will be passed on to him and shared at the meeting if possible. [Redacted]. Resident of District 8.

- Dear Mayor Paterson and Councillors This evening I attended a public meeting organized by "Friends of the Sleeping Cabin Community" at Crossroads United Church. It was well attended and well worth my time. Not only did I hear from



[Redacted], but also from an employee of the Sleeping Cabins Community, 3 residents and 1 former resident of the community and a next door neighbour of the community (from Portsmouth). They witnessed to the value of this community and its effectiveness in bringing wellbeing and hope to people in desperate circumstances was very moving and compelling. The residents have clearly benefited from the supports of Our Livable Solutions, the small safe community they have their, along with the joy of having a little space that is their own. Cities all across Canada are creating similar projects, and for the life of me I cannot fathom why our city council seems determined to shut this one down. What a mistake! You have said it's too expensive but you haven't demonstrated that with data. Show us how it compares to the cost of other transitional housing programs in Kingston! I hear in the news about the purchase of Extencicare and it said, "The city has said the Extencicare space could be used to house residents of the sleeping cabins, a project that council decided to phase out this spring."

[Redacted]. May I humbly suggest that there are enough people experiencing homelessness and struggling to find affordable housing in this city, that you can make great use of the Extencicare facility AND CONTINUE THE SLEEPING CABIN PROJECT. Our approach to tackling the problem of homelessness is going to take multiple solutions rather than a one-size-fits-all approach. I hope and pray that you will reconsider your decision to end this project.[Redacted].

- Good evening; I am writing to you in order to express my concerns regarding the possible repurposing of the Extencicare building located at 309 Queen Mary Road. My elderly Mother and I own a condo in the building located at . She has lived in the unit for almost 20 years— and there are many other elderly individuals that live in the area - and I am extremely worried that her/their safety could be at risk with this change of use. While that worries me, it absolutely appalls me that this entire process has been played out behind closed doors with absolutely no warning to the residents of the affected areas. It appalls me even more that it was left to the local news station to deliver the bad news to those who would be affected. These residents are the ones who live and work and pay property taxes – is it too much to ask that they be allowed to continue to do this in their safe neighbourhood? Municipal Government in Ontario is tasked with enhancing existing neighbourhoods – if you make this change you will be doing the exact opposite. Public consultation on this matter is absolutely required. I ask that you not act in haste but allow the residents to voice their concerns and be involved in the process. [Redacted].
- Hello, I am writing to you in regards to the proposed homeless transitional housing/integrated care hub repurposing of Extencicare. I am an owner at and have multiple concerns about this project, and completely oppose this moving forward. I carry full compassion toward the vulnerable population, and even

served many years on the Board of Directors for Dawn House, however, our community does not support this proposal, nor any form of transitional housing/integrated care hub in this area. We have in our neighbourhood a strong senior demographic, followed closely with many families and children. This ranges from Queen Mary Rd, and surrounding areas for quite a distance. A small sample of the implications to the neighbourhood if this proposal gets approved: - Increased concern for safety - Moving a problem. This has been termed as transitional housing; however, others are stating it's an integrated care hub. Dawn House is transitional housing, and the homeless hub does not have the same model. The current model for the homeless in Kingston does not work. - Dollars have gone to the renovation of the surrounding area and trail. I am hearing immediately that residents will not feel safe using this trail any longer. - Increase in violence/crime-Decrease in property values While there are contradicting statements made by the City of Kingston and the media, the idea that an integrated care hub becoming a close neighbour has increased stress levels of the residents tremendously. There have been many comments about loss of sleep, selling property, fear for safety, and an infrastructure that is not suitable to handle such an initiative. To be direct, people are breaking down and completely distraught with this news. There is also consensus that the unveiling of such news was poorly executed. Legal representation has been discussed amongst the large number of people opposed to this, and we are requesting to have a public forum to voice our concerns which I look forward to attending. We would like to understand what alternatives have been discussed over the last 2 years while this has been unfolding behind closed doors. Thank you, [Redacted].

- Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee - 02-2024 As you are aware the supportive housing plans for Extencicare have created a lot of anxiety amongst the residents of the immediate area. The anxiety is driven largely, but not solely, by the situations at the "Hub" and the encampment at Belle Park. I have the following questions: 1: Is it true that the residents of the Hub will require relocation because the lease will expire on the property? If true, when will the lease expire, and could the residents of the Hub be relocated to the Extencicare facility. 2: The city is attempting to relocate the residents of the encampment at Belle Park. Is it possible that they may be relocated to the Extencicare facility? 3: What guarantees, if any, can the City provide to the residents near the Extencicare facility that their lives will not be negatively be impacted by this endeavour. Kind regards [Redacted].
- To All Parties taking part in the decision to change the purpose / use of the Extencicare property, I am writing to you in order to express my concerns regarding the possible repurposing of the Extencicare building located at 309 Queen Mary Road. My Mother-In-Law owns a condo in the building located at .

She has lived in the unit for almost 20 years. There are many other senior individuals that live in the area (this building and the one immediately adjacent to this one). I am extremely worried that the proposed changes, as indicated in the news will affect their safety, security and have a negative impact on their biggest investment their home ownership. It will also impact everyone in the in the surrounding areas for many blocks in every direction. It is terribly upsetting to me that this entire process has been played out behind closed doors with absolutely no warning to the residents of the affected areas. It was brought to the area residents attention by the local news. Other changes to the land use are usually posted and nearby residents are advised of meetings to discuss the changes. Presently no nearby residents have been advised of the pending change/s, being sought. It also has been indicated that City Council may vote on the necessary changes without further input from the area residents being affected. If this is the case it would in my opinion and I am sure in many others minds to be un-Democratic. This should concern all citizens, because if this can be done to the many residents who live, work, pay property taxes and support local businesses in this area, the same could be done to any neighbourhood of the City of Kingston without proper consultation and input from those who will most effected by the changes. Municipal Government in Ontario is tasked with enhancing existing neighbourhoods and the City overall. It is not it's purpose to move, relocate an issue that is of concern to one area of the City to the detriment of another neighborhood. If proper consultation is not sought the bottom line end result will be that City Council will not have lived up to it's primary function to make the City better for all residents instead of a few. Public consultation on this matter is absolutely required, and it would be wrong for City Council to vote on this matter before it knows, understands how it's decision will affect the residents of the area. Voting on something without understanding the issues and consequences of the vote casted is not how democracy is intended to work. I ask that you not act in haste but allow the residents to voice their concerns, be involved in the process and work with them to come up with a solution that works for everyone. This matter is something that effects the entire City and the solution should not be paid for by a small handful of residents. [Redacted].

- We are [Redacted] and [Redacted] owners in . We are requesting a public meeting and consultation on uses for the above mentioned property before a report to Council is drafted. Our concerns are reduced property values and safety concern due to the fact that we don't know what the city has planned for this property. Thank you for your attention. [Redacted].
- Good afternoon [Redacted], I am writing to you today, and CC-ing the other recipients, in response to the egregiously inflammatory and worryingly anonymous flyer that was evidently delivered door-to-door this weekend in

Balsam Grove and very probably further afield. In the unlikely event that you've not seen the flyer, it is an over-the-top appeal to oppose what is presented as ICH/Belle Park II on the site of the soon to be vacated Extendicare property. I will resist an urge to respond to the litany of shock-horror set out in the flyer. It goes so far as to conflate one instance of a fire in a sleeping cabin at Portsmouth Harbour with the extensive damage caused by theft and vandalism at Belle Park. The individual or group of individuals behind this flyer are most unlikely to be swayed by facts and reasoned discussion. I would like, instead, to offer a different point of view on the City's possible plans for the site in question. I would very much like to believe that the City has learned extensively from all of the lessons taught since the establishment of the current Integrated Care Hub on Montreal Street and from the seemingly interminable circumstances affecting the adjoining K&P Trail and Belle Park. I simply cannot credit that the Mayor, any of our elected Councillors nor any member of City staff has the intent of replicating all of the negative consequences seen in the vicinity of the ICH at another site in our City. Surely, the aim – if indeed the Extendicare property is to be used as a component of the City's housing and homelessness plans – would be to provide greater capacity for viable, safe, healthy, accessible shelter and the vital associated services with a view to ending the scourge of homelessness in our City. Notwithstanding various court decisions, it should be abundantly obvious to any observer that ill-constructed shanties built of pillaged materials dispersed in a woodlot, absent the essentials of a dignified life is simply not a viable, sustainable alternative to actual housing, especially in Canada in 2024. There is little doubt that NIMBYism is a real and troublesome thing. I can think of no one who would actively seek to establish a lawless, unserviced, shanty encampment next door to an urban or suburban home. One might like to think, however, that everyone could get behind and support the effort to provide sufficient safe, serviced crisis and transitional accommodation that should make recourse to such dire encampments a thing of the past. I am not naïve enough to believe that “doing all the right things” on the current Extendicare property will neatly resolve all instances of homelessness in Kingston. I also understand that, for a small number of individuals living rough, there is effectively nothing that the City or anyone else can offer that will entice those few to come in from the cold. That cannot, must not, stop the efforts to address the needs of all of those who can and will benefit from the concerted undertaking to end homelessness in our City. Simply put, we, the citizens of Kingston, must reconcile the imperative of “something must be done!” with the sentiment of “but do it somewhere else”. It is my sincere belief that – if the ultimate disposition of the Extendicare property on Queen Mary Road at Bath Road is to be a major component of the City's efforts to advance the aims of the campaign to end homelessness – the lessons taught

through the experiences with the ICH and its surrounding area will be well implemented. I do believe that we do need to afford the means to enable a well-supported, safe and sound reintegration into our broader civilised society. No Canadians should be without decent shelter, heat, light, potable water, sanitation and access to essential care. I cannot pretend to have or know of an all-encompassing panacea to either homelessness or to the various afflictions endured by those affected thereby. What I am confident of is that the oft-heard cry of “something must be done” must be answered with well-thought-through, viable, sustainable, positive action. No homeowner in the vicinity of Extendicare would wish to find themselves transported into the midst of the multifariously unsafe, recurring squalor of the squatting encampment adjacent to the current ICH. To portray as yet unknown, City-planned, lawful use of the recently purchased property as just such an inevitability does no one any service and solves nothing. Baseless, fact-free assertions and allegations to the effect that I will wake up one morning soon to find my property value destroyed, my insurance premiums astronomical, my vehicle stolen, my yard overwhelmed with drug paraphernalia, fires and excreta, and violent criminals beating down my very door are entirely unhelpful. I would therefore suggest we all put away the pitchforks, torches and, most importantly, the inflammatory hyperbole. I, for one, would very much like to see the eventual City plan for the use of this site before forming any further opinion. I, for one, would very much like to see our City develop and implement housing and services to eliminate the scourge of local homelessness and all of the ills associated with it. I, for one, would very much like to know that my City can and will be able to afford sound, safe, lawful care and support to our fellow citizens. I remain, [Redacted].

- Hello, I am writing to express my deep concern and opposition to the use of the Extendicare property as a centre for illicit drug use, crime, and lawlessness. I have seen the absolute disaster caused by the recklessness of the Integrated Care Hub on Montreal street. This is a good community now, and we do not want it ruined!!! We will oppose this every step of the way!!! Please - use common sense and keep our community vibrant and safe!! [Redacted].
- Good morning, I am one of many seniors living in the community that will be tremendously affected by the City plans to relocate the integrated care hub to our neighbourhood, please consider the impact it bring to our lives, we as seniors citizens have lived in a peaceful and secure environment for many years, please do not destroy our neighbourhood! I strongly oppose the consideration of this relocation to Bath and Queen Mary Road. Respectfully [Redacted].
- I have a right to fight for my home! My home is in the community that the City is planning to disturb with bringing homeless people to the Extendicare land on Queen Mary Road. What you are planning or have decided is affecting me, my

neighbours and where I live! Why do I count less? I pay my taxes. I work hard to be a contributing member of society. I volunteer by contributing to society. Why does my community count less? Why don't we have the right to be heard? Why don't we have the right to be informed about what is happening in our own back yard? Why do those individuals that do not care to support themselves be heard and get to live in my quiet, established neighbourhood?! They will disturb and destroy this neighbourhood. They are known to be violent. Why are we, working class people second choice!? What happens when there will be trespassing on our property? Or when our vehicles are vandalized? Are the police going to come? Or are they going to ignore every call because they anticipate the high crime that is to come to this 'known' area? Having high presence of police is known as a temporary measure. Police presence is costly! Is this the solution !? Crime rates will increase! Our building recently dealt with two squatters and that was a nightmare. The police were called and refused to show up. Our super was forced to deal with them and face their threats and weapons. What will happen in the future if homeless people are just down the street ?! The police have proven they cannot be relied on ! We cannot even think to put our family at risk of anything happening! I cannot imagine letting our children go to the bus stop! Crime rate will go up! This is a known fact. I urge the city to reconsider this decision. Why not turn the Extencicare land on Queen Mary into a park or re-zone the area for a multilevel residence for working people? The City could sell this prime property for a gain to developers. I'm sure developers would be willing to purchase such a prime property. Then the \$3.8M investment in the trail would not be wasted.

- As a 43-year resident of [Redacted] I need to know the plans for the Extencicare property on Bath Road, because I would like to speak in favour of a sound, well-conceived and welladministered supportive housing program run by the City of Kingston. It upsets me that residents of other adjacent neighbourhoods are already opposing the idea, and it's irritating that our Councillor, [Redacted], seems to value their opinion more than he supports the action taken by the Council of which he's a part. I'd like to see that building used for community housing to ease the problem caused in Kingston by a lack of places for people to live in affordably. But before I can do that, I need to see the details of what the City of Kingston has in mind. Please, publish the plan! With thanks, and with encouragement, [Redacted].
- Dear Mayor and City Council My name is [Redacted] I live at [Redacted]. I have young children aged [Redacted]. We moved into this quiet neighbourhood that, as per the neighbourhood regulations, has no backyard fences to support the community feel and allow foxes, deer and the rest of the local wildlife run free along with our wild children. Similarly in this neighbourhood we leave doors

unlocked in the evenings with neighbourhood kids coming and going for play dates and snacks. We let our young kids run to neighbours houses and play in the local forest and backyards without needing constant close supervision, they are free to explore. Walking through our neighbourhood trails you'll see countless stick forts and signs of childhood play. And you will see seniors and retirees walking their dogs countless times a day. These forests and trails are heavily used by all. We had one under housed individual in our neighbourhood last summer who used a favourite Children's play place as their washroom. It was the first time that I feared my children may run into human excrement or possible discarded needles in the forest. I desperately fear that the city is underestimating what significant impacts such a large scale care hub will have on all the local neighbours and neighbourhoods. There is a large expanse of heavily used forest and trails (the Rideau trail system) surrounding the area which is surely at risk for becoming another encampment. This is a densely populated area where safe park spaces are important and heavily used by local kids and neighbours from the nearby apartment buildings. Implementing such a large scale project for under housed individuals as an « experiment » and « first of its kinds » terrifies me as the direct next door neighbour of the facility. As a health care worker I am fully aware of the challenges of homelessness in our community and agree that these need to be tackled in new and innovative ways however I also think that is it unfair to impose all the burden of homelessness onto one well established small community. As stated in the Globe article smaller care hubs of 20 or so individuals spread throughout the community will allow for better community integration and is a more modern approach to homelessness. The original land deal from Grenville Park to extendicare was meant to be for care of the elderly, and if you have ever stepped foot into the hospital you will see in an instance that the backup and wait times in our emergency departments and the hallway medicine being provided on the 9th and 10th floor are 100% due to lack of appropriate housing and long term care beds for elderly patients. I'm sure you are aware of the crisis of admitted patients in hospital designated as ALC awaiting nursing home placement. Kingston is going to be one of the communities in Ontario the hardest hit with the wave of geriatric patients, new cancer diagnosis and burden of chronic disease and it would be foolish to ignore this. As I'm sure you are aware we will have to get by for the next 10 years or so with the current hospital infrastructure we have before any major infrastructure changes can be implemented. In that time there is going to be a major boom in octogenarians, nonagenarians and centenarians in our region as the baby boomers enter these demographics. Where are they all going to go? I support the use of extendicare to improve the health of our community. I however I don't see how an experimental placement of 100 under house Kingstonians in well established family oriented community makes any

sense. There are other appropriate uses for the facility as the original land deal outlined and much more sensible approaches to homelessness. Thanks for your time [Redacted].

- Hello Mr. Mayor and Council I would like to bring forward our concerns today and everyday moving forward, on the possible uses of the Extencicare land. How could the City not consider the impact to our community and not think that our neighbourhood and surrounding businesses would object. We are outraged about the proposed use of the building/land. We are a residential community with seniors, families with children and grandchildren. When we purchased our properties, it was because of the location of the property and the surrounding amenities. Raising children and grandchildren in an area where a few steps from our front door there could be 1) the consumption treatment services (CTS) 2) the integrated Care Hub, 3) transitional housing, 4) safe injection site????...Would you or anyone want this at their front door. You will be making our community unsafe for us to live in and raise our children. Take a look at the Hub now...we do not want that at our front door anymore than you all do...that environment will pose serious safety issues, health issues, and an impact on the conservation wildlife and surrounding environment. Why can't you consider doing a park or another condo building or apartment building to help with the lack of housing to people who can even afford it? Our insurance companies are going to classify our area as high risk. With one claim due to a break in, vandalism or worse, our rates will go up or we will not be able to be insured due to the risk of the area residents. Our property values are going to plummet and condo sales in our neighbourhood will no longer be desirable due to our neighbourhood becoming a disaster! Please listen to us! We need to be heard, listened to and considered before any decisions are made. We are requesting a public meeting and consultation on these possible uses BEFORE a report to council is drafted. We are against anything being planned for our community without our input, and we want NO part of the current Care Hub and/or sleeping cabins, safe injection site or a consumption treatment service. Thank you for listening. [Redacted].
- Hello everyone, As a resident of the immediate area, I find it unacceptable that thoughts of turning the above noted address into transitional housing are even being entertained. I will not stand for it. I find the thought of increased insurance rates and decreased property values infuriating. All this will be a result of the increased criminal activity that comes with such. Where and when are the public forums being held to discuss potential uses for the property? I demand the opportunity to voice my objection before any reports are made and presented to council. These outrageous ideas must be laid to rest immediately. [Redacted].
- Dear Mayor Patterson, I was outraged, as were most of my neighbor's, to hear the Extencicare building was to be turned into an injection site similar to "The



Hub” on Montreal Street. I was most upset at the fact that this was all decided at a “closed door” meeting, and that no one in our neighborhood was privy to this happening. This not only affects Grenville Park residents but all areas including Balsam Grove who back onto the Conservation area. There are a lot of young families and seniors who have lived here for years. We enjoyed our quiet neighborhood as there are no through fares and people walk on the roads with their children and pets and the K & P trails for enjoying nature. Sadly, if this injection site comes to be, the price of our homes in this whole area will be diminished considerably, as well of the enjoyment of this lovely area. Over the past year or more, we have noticed transient people camping in the Conservation area in tents or makeshift shelters. During the day when they are “high” they wander throughout the neighbourhood, sometimes shouting obscenities and aggressively confronting the elderly and others for money. At night they scour the vicinity looking for unlocked cars to rob or breaking into people’s sheds for tools they can sell quickly. They have also been seen cycling around the streets in the very early morning casing homes they think are easy to break into. I have talked to people who are afraid to go walking anymore, due to the aggressive manner of these people when they are “high”. You only have to look at what has been going on at Belle Park or the other “Hub” to see what our whole neighbourhood is going to be facing. Does the city have the millions of dollars to clean up after these individuals or do repairs after they have left the area? I was always told that you don’t enable people. This is a very sad situation but trying to integrate addicts into society is NOT working. We are the people paying increased taxes to the city every year and we deserve to be treated better. To think that this was all decided at a “closed door” meeting without any input for the concerned citizens is utterly shameful. I think it is the old “NIMBY” mentality at play here. I might add that my husband was nearly killed several years ago, while at work, by a man high on Meth. He still suffers from PTSD because of this attack. From a Concerned Taxpayer, [Redacted].

- I fully support supportive and transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary road. I recommend establishing close ties with community mental health and addictions resources and home and community support services.
- I am opposed to a transitional shelter style facility being located at 309 Queen Mary Road.
- I live in the region, within a few blocks. My child attends school at [REDACTED]. I am in support of this project specifically, and in maintaining or increasing the city budget to provide mental health and housing initiatives generally. I am proud of our city and community for this investment into it's most vulnerable people.
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- I do NOT want to see Extendicare used for “supportive and transitional housing”..... ie: drug users who refuse to make any effort themselves, and want everything handed to them.....the same people who will go out to local neighborhoods and rob them blind. How about a convalescent space for those in hospital that do not need acute care? How about a new clinic where some procedures like colonoscopies can be done to clear the backlog? What about daycare space , or tear the thing down and build some housing..... we need more “actual” housing.... Not a poorly designed half effort at housing. We certainly don't need another “ integrated hub disaster” ..... and THATS what extendicare will become if it is slated for “ transitional housing”
- The FAQ information is helpful and should be a key part of the planning. There is unfortunately some misinformation currently circulating, which is unfavourable towards this important project. I support this project.
- Unfortunate that 309 QMR is referred to as "a supportive and transitional housing facility" because it, at best, seems to limit the consideration of alternatives and at worst endangers community support for whatever is decided. As a 79 year old, and 60 year resident of the community who is without a family doctor due to his retirement and who has no access to primary care except through the one walk-in clinic (where I had to wait 2 hours on the street or waiting room to get a form filled) and my wife and I had to wait over 3 hours at Hotel Dieu Emergency before leaving without being seen because it was about to close, I guess I too am in need of a 'supportive facility'. The email I received with the invitation to take this survey stated "the City of Kingston is exploring the feasibility of locating health care services, including a primary health care clinic". Now that I could support; a multi-use facility that could include transitional housing for those in need of the care the larger facility provided. Given the state of primary care care in this area, the facility should be used as the City's contribution to federal and hopefully provincial funded for a base for a primary care network. This is not rocket science. It is being done successfully elsewhere as in Calgary where my son works with the [REDACTED] which provides service to 5000,000 with 500 docs and the administrative and other medical staff and supports. Get with the program Kingston and Ontario.
- Very supportive of different forms of supportive housing. Given the nature of the existing structure, I would think perhaps something along the lines of Rideaucrest (sic) or a health centre to free up beds in hospitals would be appropriate. Certainly something like a standalone enlarged version of the ICH is not appropriate and would not be welcome...and I don't live in the area. Sometime NIMBYS have it right despite the public abuse they often take especially when

their opposition results in a better resolution for everyone. Whatever is decided must have established good criteria which must be met before anyone takes up residence even on a short term basis and must have dedicated full time on site staffing.

- Please make sure the residents concerns are addressed
- We have to have something to get homeless people that have challenges into the housing so I support this use of existing land and facilities.
- I do not like the idea of transitional housing happening around this area. Polson and Calvin Park (sic) already have low income housing in our neighborhoods and have a high rate of theft. It's not near any services like downtown Kingston has available and it frankly devalues our homes. I want a neighbourhood that is safe for my kids to walk around in. Why are we not spreading the homeless around to other neighbourhoods such as the East and West end so we don't create a [REDACTED].
- how will the city handle the inevitable increase in crime and local property destruction in the surrounding area? Will there be dedicated security and policing at this location?
- I unequivocally support the development of this much needed facility.
- I am supportive of new housing and healthcare opportunities for disadvantaged people. I think that utilizing an existing facility like this seems like a practical and logical idea. Personally, I think this is a good location for a supportive/transitional housing facility. I would be interested in hearing what kind of services and staffing are being considered as the consultation for this project proceeds. I think the City needs to be very clear about the timelines and processes for the consultation on this project and should focus on providing evidence-based services at this facility. Please consult with healthcare and social service experts on this project as much or more as non-experts like myself!
- Smart purchase, Kingston! Thank you for all you do to support the homeless. Maybe this site could be partially used for rent-to-Income suites?
- I think this is a wonderful idea and a way for the city and residents to get involved and educated about people in housing crisis. Support not stigma
- I am very concerned about this. I understand that the intention is not to place the ICH (sic) there, but it doesn't assure that that will not be the case. Quite frankly, the last few initiatives to deal with this issue have been mishandled by City Staff and I am not sure that this will be handled any better. I don't know what the solution is to help the homeless in Kingston but what we have been doing is not working. And the same people who have worked on the previous initiatives are now involved in this one. I work downtown. In the last year, the instability of the drug addicts and mentally ill homeless has increased tenfold. I know not all homeless are addicts. But this is the subgroup we are concerned about. Not

families or seniors that need help. If it was just those groups I would not be as nervous about this. We should be ashamed of what we put the residents around Belle Park and the ICH (sic) through. It appears out of control, so how do we have faith that the exact same crap won't take root at the Extencicare property. My family lives half a kilometre from Extencicare. We already have extensive crime in our area that is not dealt with by police. We do not want more.

- Community members need to be informed about what services will be provided and how it will impact the neighborhood. What measures will the city have in place to make sure the surrounding neighborhoods are not negatively impacted. Will our parks and green space remain clean and safe Will measure in place to reduce noise after 11pm? Would the area at Lake Ontario Park be better suited for facility like this, as it is not in a residential neighborhood and it is currently being set up for tiny homes. Beach Grove to provide services. Will the seniors have a place to live?
- I think it is an excellent location and model for supportive and transitional housing. It has an appropriate distance from private dwellings in the community. It can also be modelled to provide a supportive community style of housing. The layout should facilitate the delivery of supportive services. Well done!
- I support the plans to use 309 Queen Mary Road as transitional housing. However, I have some concerns. Supports for mental health and drug issue need to be in place. Residents must not be allowed to put up structures on the grounds. The residents need to be in a safe enviroment without threats or aggressive behaviour from other residents or animals. There need to be rules in place regarding cleanliness and property upkeep. I suspect that some of the Unhoused will not want to comply with the above restrictions. Only others who do, should be accepted as residents. The lack of housing is at a critical point in Kingston. This plan, properly implemented, is a good step to alleviating the desperate situation so many Kingstonians are in.
- I am hoping the city will be able to provide detailed plans for services to be offered, who will provide said services and estimates of impact on surrounding neighbourhoods. Also would like to know what demographic sectors will be considered for transitional housing.
- I am concerned that this facility will transform the surrounding area into the mess that is around the existing integrated care hub in Kingston or Bridge Street United Church in Belleville. This seems like it will be a magnet filling up the ample surrounding woods with a sprawling encampment and bring drug dealing and consumption to what is currently a reasonably stable and peaceful area.
- The fact that the city closed shelters (im looking at you [REDACTED]) tried to implement ridiculous PIT counts and then have done nothing to curb the obscene landlord price gauging is hilarious and abysmal. Yall should be ashamed.

- I think that Kingston needs to do everything within its capacity to help house those who are vulnerable and provide them with access the services that they need in order to be successful in their lives. Whether is it counsellingfor substance use, transitional housing for those who are struggling to find long terms housing solutions, or other circumstances that people find themselves in. I'm over people blaming those in need for finding themselves in need of assistance.
- "I live at [REDACTED] with my wife, 14 year old daughter, 15 year old niece, my sister-in-law, and our dog. The safety of my family is THE MOST IMPORTANT thing in my life. My home is my MOST IMPORTANT ASSET. If either of these two things are likely to be negatively impacted by turning 309 Queen Mary Rd into something similar to the ICH (whether it is different in name - eg. - transitional housing), I am 100% opposed.
- We have already seen an increase in “through traffic”, garbage, shopping carts, and tents in and around the cat trail and the paths and woods associated with it. Everyone deserves a safe place to call home, stay warm, and be fed BUT I am unwilling to compromise the safety of my family or the value of my primary asset for this purpose.  
No family should be asked to take in this burden/threat. An alternate site MUST be chosen. One where no Kingston residents are put at additional risk, and one where no Kingston residents have to sacrifice the value of their home. I understand this is a tall task, but it is the only acceptable solution. Thank you
- Ensure it is adequately staffed and run well. The shelters are horrendous, reports by people using them the staff allow drugs inside, and even share drugs with the clients and they are not safe injection sites.
- Make the spaces private and give the residents a sense of ownership and pride in being there not just stacked out of the way.
- The other supportive housing behind the [REDACTED], people use there and individuals who were not drug users are exposed and then become addicted. The harm reduction is not always the best plan. Reach out to community groups like AA and NA and have alternatives for those who want to quit using and have a better life.
- Individuals who need mental health care should be able to easily access it 8n this location. For best results keep [REDACTED] out of it....
- This area is full of residential homes and a significant number of Apartment buildings. Based on what has been reported as happening at the east end hub, putting low income/homeless individuals in this area would significantly increase crime in the area and should not be allowed to become a place where homeless stay outside. It seems that a number of these individuals want to build permanent structures and not pay taxes or anything else.

- The facility must provide adequate secure storage sheds or lockers for the homeless clients where they can store their belongings while receiving care or while transitioning. The belongings could include carts and bicycles, wheel chairs, clothing, etc.
- Hoping to see community support continue after people have been accommodated in 309 Queen Mary Rd. I know this is a big request , but seeing so many homeless and helpless people in the mall and on the streets, I feel like we are missing something.
- This is a wonderful repurposing of the space, and opportunity to develop something really unique and purpose-driven, that can be used as a model for other such endeavours across Ontario. Every small practical detail will have to be considered with great care ... even things like ample storage space and pet accommodation for the residents.
- I think they should turn it into a homeless shelter
- I think this is a great idea. I think the more diverse kinds of transitional housing offered (I.e. for families, for women fleeing DV, for low income seniors, etc.) The better as it will reduce nimbyism about homeless folks moving into the neighborhood and it will help more kinds of people experiencing homelessness or precarity who need support.
- I am concerned with the transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Rd. With the trail and woods that are near there, I think people will leave the facility and create another tent city in the wooded area. With Food Basics moving this year there will not be a convenient or affordable grocery store within walking distance. The liquor store, however, is very handy and will have easy access. They will have access to a bus but can they afford a bus pass? How much will it cost to renovate? Will animals be allowed? will there be support for the people?
- It is my hope that if 309 Queen Mary Road is used as transitional housing that the residents live inside the building and not out in the elements in tents
- Thank you for engaging the public in this project. I am not sure what the term supportive and transitional means but I will use the following definition; 'Transitional housing may be suitable for individuals who are capable of becoming self-sufficient within a defined timeframe, while supportive housing is more appropriate for those who require ongoing support to maintain stable housing'. I would include seniors in this definition since the Kingston population is aging rapidly due to the Baby Boomer Cohort and we will need as much of this type of housing and care as we can build and as soon as possible. It should be geared toward people with a tight budget. The location is very good in that it has bus stops, walking trails and convenience stores and restaurants nearby. The nearby park at the north side of the property can be blended with the housing project so that the public and the housing residents can have a place to

intermingle. Maybe have allotments in the park so that housing residents and the public can plant approved plants and take care of them. This sounds like a great opportunity for addressing the shortage of affordable housing for seniors and their wellbeing.

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- Appreciate the cities desire to provide housing for the homeless community but warehousing large numbers of individuals with a profound differences of needs is shortsighted and doomed to fail. The tiny home project that the city has decided to NOT continue funding offered individuals privacy, independence and a sense of ownership that I doubt will be available when having to coexist under one roof. There are so many varied needs, social skills, mental health issues and personalities that placing this mix could be detrimental to others well being. I feel that warehousing or kennelling people in shared accommodations can create risky situations for the residents. Speak to staff and people who frequent shelters...my other concern is who gets a shot? Who determines who gets a spot? I have heard many testimonies of people who use shelters being refused, being turned away or banned because of behaviours or personality conflicts with staff or others in shelters...so who makes the rules, who enforces them and what happens to those who lack the interpersonal skills? Very shortsighted trying to put too many people under one roof for the cities convenience
- Like that it is going to house older population would like to see it include physically disabled as well
- I think the city needs to be more transparent and provide clearer, honest communication with all property owners and residents in the area surrounding the address in question. As homeowners in the [REDACTED] neighbourhood, we have genuine concerns about this proposal, not only for our own property and family, but for the property owners and residents living directly in the vicinity of 309 Queen Mary. We frequently use the green space and trails adjacent to this

property, with our children and dogs. Should this new project proceed as planned, we will no longer use that green space or trails. People living in the immediate area have valid concerns about their own safety and the safety of their properties. There are concerns about why that location would be selected, as the only grocery store and pharmacy within walking distance are closing and moving to the Riocan centre. There are no other facilities within walking distance of that address, other than the Subaru dealership and a vet clinic. The city needs to communicate how this location is going to be of benefit to the populations it plans to serve. There needs to be risk assessments and cost vs benefit analyses shared with all stakeholders, particularly folks living in the immediate area.

- We support supportive housing, but demand that laws and property standards be strictly enforced...abandoning neighbourhoods as has happened on Montreal St. is unacceptable.
- I am deeply worried about the fate of the area, especially since I've recently relocated from [REDACTED] and have a good understanding of the surroundings. Observing the current operation of the Integrated Care Hub, I fear the area may deteriorate into nothing more than a tent city. Given the significant presence of retired residents, immigrants, and children, the potential for increased garbage and drug-related issues is alarming. The ongoing complaints from residents of the integrated care hub, particularly regarding discarded needles, as evidenced in online reviews, further exacerbate these concerns. Considering the ample green spaces, there's a real risk of them transforming into hubs for drug use and makeshift shelters. It seems insufficient efforts are being made at the current integrated care hub to safeguard the well-being of the community. Exposing children to such environments is unacceptable. The likelihood of increased crime looms large, particularly with numerous parking lots where car break-ins could become rampant. The inadequate lighting, especially in Bayswater Place's (sic) parking lot, exacerbates these safety concerns. Additionally, there have been previous issues with individuals inhabiting the swamp area, making it a place of caution during walks, which is regrettable given its past appeal. Why are such facilities situated in residential neighborhoods, particularly those with lower-income demographics? If the intention is to help people transition, why not place it just outside residential areas? If services are a priority, why select a location with limited amenities, such as only a Dollar Tree nearby? Wouldn't it make more sense to have the care hub situated near the police station for enhanced supervision and security? And why not near medical facilities if health services are a priority? These questions highlight the need for better decision-making in community planning and resource allocation.



- I do not support this and ask that the city reconsider. Please keep this away from resident neighborhoods. This impacts my personal safety and the value of my home.
- Not much! I am hoping that those who are listening and planning intend to assess what surrounds 309 QMR for about a 1/2 km in all directions and do some thinking and imagining. Why here? What is out there that can be used? But then you need to know how it is going to be used. But the answers to the last two questions need to be found together. Finally, what in the area could be changed, encouraged to come in, to make the transitional housing work better?
- This is a much needed service for the west end.
- I THINK THE LOCATION IS WRONG; NOT CENTRAL ENOUGH- DISTANCE FROM ECONOMICAL GROCERY STORES; PHARMACIES ; BUS PASSES ARE NOT ENOUGH: APPARENTLY NO PLANS FOR SUPPORT SERVICES NEARBY; NEAR COMMUNITY WALKWAY.. ? ANOTHER BELLE PARK
- This area is sensitive to change. The Extendicare operations have been benign during the 30 years I have been connected to this area. The dynamic of this proposal is not well understood, however it seems to lend itself to promoting more of the free wheeling inhabitants that frequent this area along the connected pathways to the north. My real concern is the area's conservation in its most natural setting where debris and safety are concerns already. I am hopeful all parties will be monitored and self monitor respectfully.
- Good idea. Would house a fair amount of people. Ignore the people who don't want it here. I live near the Montréal St hub (sic) and feel that housing people all over Kingston is a good idea.
- I would like to be a participant in any community sessions. I live in the neighbourhood and I am keen on the potential use of the Extendicare property.
- A recent municipal announcement about the city's purchase of 309 Queen Mary Road (QMR) stated "this property is not intended to be the location for the existing Integrated Care Hub". That is good news, but only addresses one of my concerns for my neighbourhood. Full disclosure, I own and live in a condo at [REDACTED] – across the road from the Extendicare facility. My other concerns are: 1) The facility being used as a potential safe injection site and the risks that would mean for the neighbourhood (e.g. discarded needles etc.). 2) Another "hub" encampment in the adjacent green spaces and the fallout that will mean for the neighbourhood (e.g. increased break ins, thefts, vandalism etc.). These acts increased during and post pandemic. This coupled with the city's difficulty in controlling or dispersing encampments anywhere in the city. 3) The size of the transitional housing at 309 QMR (100+ beds) versus other transitional housing sites in the city – 309 QMR will be up to an order of magnitude in size. Will this create new problems? Has the city investigated this

and have a mitigation plan? In case you assume I am a NIMBY. I support assisting people who need help. This facility would be good for people without addition issues and need a helping hand due to personal financial issues or people with mental health issues who are on their meds and stay on their meds.

- Wonderful idea. The city should explore ways to make use of more vacant/underutilized properties close to amenities and transit to help improve access to housing and support services.
- There are nature trails right at the end of the road. What will be done to ensure the safety of residents that frequent those trails and to prevent individuals from setting up tents and it become another encampment?
- Given the wooded area behind 309 Queen Mary Road, what guarantees will there be that the area will not become another tent area? Has consideration be given to the impact on young people when they have to witness the behaviour that we have witnessed in past years? Given what we have witnessed about behaviours over the last few years, what thought has been given about the dangers of a busy Bath Road? Why has the City not considered transitional housing in a more remote area - not a residential area? While we, as a community, have great empathy for those needing help, what transitional housing guidelines are being established? How are these guidelines different from previous guidelines? As well, what does a supportive facility actually mean and how does it differ from previous supports? While I do not live close to 309 Queen Mary Road, how will the nearby residents be assured that this housing facility will not impact their lives?
- Great idea. Great to see the city taking tangible steps to help the homeless and vulnerable citizens of the city.
- Why was this so secretive? Why was there no consultation with the public before making this decision? Given the secrecy to this point, how can the city assure local citizens that their concerns are being considered and addressed? Who will be running this? How will it be different than the ICH and Belle Park? Will the city explain in detail what it plans to do here?
- This is not the right location for this project.
- We need to help the most vulnerable people in our community, and quickly. This is a good decision to purchase this facility and turn it into supportive and transitional housing.
- "I support the city in these efforts and don't understand the NIMBY attitude. But to be fair, looking at the Montreal street hub (sic) and the disgusting amount of trash around Belle Park is discouraging. At least have garbage pickup!
- Go for it ! But make sure you have all opf the ducks lined up > MENTAL HEALTH ,ADICTIONS AND COUNCELLING all ready to go.
- Think it would be an excellent use of the property

- I hear of a lot of negativity from residents in the area . "" NIMBY "". I feel the city should proceed with this plan. Something / more needs to be done to help these struggling citizens.
- i think its a great idea if security is paramount
- Courtyard style housing with rear or side parking .this U shaped design encourages community .
- I support the development of a transitional housing and social support hub at this site. This is despite having reservations/concerns: my children go to school at [REDACTED] and I have multiple seniors in my extended family who reside within 200m of the site. This City using desperate need of assistance for those who require economic or healthcare support.
- I think the city buying Extend-a-care without the residents of Queen Mary Rd being told about it or what they planned to do with it till after they had bought it was wrong, Queen Mary Rd is a good and nice neighborhood having a homeless shelter at 309 Queen Mary would destroy that by bringing the problems the homeless in a shelter would brig such as increased crime, increased drug activity etc. This is not a good thing for Queen Mary Rd, I live [REDACTED] across the road from 309 Queen Mary and I don't want a homeless shelter here.
- Great idea but I don't live nearby. Overcoming nimby will be a challenge but you already know that.
- I probably do not understand the question. My only source of information has been what you send me.
- Such housing facilities are certainly needed in Kingston. They should be well managed (24 hr/day) with appropriate compassionate tailored care for those with mental and or addictive difficulties. And supportive for families and individuals new to Canada and Kingston. I would request legal commitment from the city that the facility be properly supported and designated only as housing and not to transition at some future time into an integrated care hub. Such a hub would be more properly located in conjunction with an existing healthcare facility and in a mixed use zone. My understanding is that we are in a residential zoned neighbourhood. Our communal property contains woods and terrain which in the past have been frequented by drug users who have left needles on the grounds. The volunteer group which monitors such use has in the past been helpful in removing these objects. It would be unfortunate if such activity were to increase as a result of a transitional housing facility being set up next door. There are a number of families with young children in our community.
- I am not against such a facility - I don't share the Not in my Backyard mentality, but I have some concerns, especially regarding the adjacent green space which my family uses frequently. It would be very sad if it turned into a tent city with all its inherent problems, such as fire (un)safety, garbage etc. The are is very foresty

and it's not easily visible what's ahead of you, and not used as much as other parks which does make one feel less safe even now, especially if I walk on my own. But we need such a facility and if this building is a good fit, then I'm not against it.

- I need to know that my community is not at risk from drug dealing, violence, break-ins and personal or property damage due to the outflow of transitionally housed residents. I have been here in [REDCATED] since 1961, and ended up buying my parent's home so I have a long history of knowing and valuing the peace and safety of this neighbourhood - which is my major reason for staying here.
- I live in the area and I am sure it will be fine
- I have heard that there is (was?) an agreement in place with previous owner of the property to have the right of first refusal on the property. Is this an unseen problem that should be addressed before the project is started?
- I for one see this is an great opportunity to finally support some of the most vulnerable people in our community
- I am concreded it could create more theft and drugs in the area. There are many young children and if these individuals are involved in drug use that is very concerning to me and my family.
- Main concern is to protect the woods close by in Grenville Park from vandalism/ destruction. Happy that the city is taking steps to provide options to those in need. Looking forward to seeing how it turns out.
- As much as I support housing for vulnerable people in Kingston, I have the following concerns in regard to this location: As I have been living in this area for 20 years, I know the location and its surroundings well. I agree that the structure of the building and property lends itself to a supportive housing project. But I think it would be very dangerous for the wider city if it were to become a facility where people who frequently use drugs would be treated or housed. Adjacent to the property is Conservation land and a part the Rideau Trail which has recently been restored to make it more accessible to bikers and walkers. It is to be expected that a drug treatment facility would attract a lot of people who would likely use drugs and camp out in the large woodland areas surrounding the trail. Over the years, there have been more and more people in tents found in the woods living in tents. They often hide in inaccessible locations, make fires, cut down trees and leave a lot of garbage when they move on. Firefighters have had to be called numerous times to squash smaller fires that had luckily been spotted by residents in time. With drier conditions in the coming summers, the whole area could easily be ignited and burned down if there would be more people hanging out in the woods. Since this area with dense bushes and trees is so difficult to access, it serves as a refuge to animals and a green lung to the city. It also

serves commuters who chose environmentally friendly ways of going to work like biking and walking. It also serves many families who spend time there with children and dogs. Already, it has been a concern of people using drugs and threatening walkers in recent years, but for now the peaceful users of the Conservation land have kept it "safe enough". But I think that balance would quickly tip if this becomes a hang out space for illicit drug users, at which point the area would likely be avoided by most Kingstonians which would make it a hot spot for criminal activities and a huge fire hazard. And a fire that gets out of control in these woods would be very harmful for the rest of Kingston. I therefore propose to use the building for vulnerable people without a current drug problem, for example older adults or women with children who are homeless. Thank you for listening!

- Concerns about how this will impact surrounding neighborhoods
- I'm supportive of this location as transitional housing, but I'd like more information about the criteria for choosing people who stay there. I'm glad the HUB will not be relocating there, but as the path leading to the woods in the Grenville Park area are directly behind the facility, is there any plan in place to monitor the area so that it doesn't become another tent city like Belle Island?
- I think that it's important to approach this carefully. I would love to see new ways of creating safe housing for those in need. I do think, generally speaking, it's a property with a lot of potential. However, adequate support needs to be in place to ensure that the standard concerns following the homeless population (drugs, delinquency, theft, encampments, trash, etc) are entirely mitigated. There are several family dwellings and schools in the immediate area, all accessible by foot, and this needs to be "protected" somehow (though that's not quite the right word). I don't want this to sound like NIMBY or that we don't care - we do. This is a deeply vulnerable population who need care and support (physically, emotionally, socially, financially, possibly medically) and we need to ensure that there is no undue hardship on those who live, work, play, and learn in the surrounding communities. I'm not sure what the way forward is but it is probably an intense co-creation that continues as time unfolds and we all see how this works out. I would expect that the City and all relevant partners (supporting agencies, etc) are learning from other community experiments and experiences across Ontario and Canada, as well as potentially internationally. Dialogue needs to be continuous and information must be shared openly and transparently (as there is already considerable mistrust due to the lack of transparency around the purchase, for reasons reported in the local media). This is a very important project. It would be wonderful if it were successful (the metrics of which need to be determined and aligned on). It's multi-faceted and complex. I hope everyone brings their A game and best people forward.

- I have seen a flyer produced by concerned neighbours of 309 Queen Mary Rd; suggesting that the site would resemble the area surrounding the Integrated Care Hub. The answers to the FAQs suggest that the intended model for 309 Queen Mary Rd is different from that of the ICH which in some ways mitigates the objections from concerned area residents. But there could still be reasons for concern. Some of the clientele of the TCH have set up camp on the ICH property and neighbouring park land. This should not occur at 309 Queen Mary Rd if it is used exclusively for affordable, transitional, and supportive housing with access to the property restricted to residents and staff. The issue becomes more complex if the uses of 309 Queen Mary Rd expand to include drop-in services. Will clients be permitted to gather there in significant numbers? Will they be allowed to remain on the property for extended periods of time, including possibly overnight? If the answers to these questions are yes then there is the potential for the situation around the ICH to be duplicated. I suggest the city needs to assure area residents that clients visiting 309 Queen Mary Rd for any services beyond those of affordable, transitional, and supportive housing will not be permitted to linger there for extended periods.
- An email message from the city (Get Involved Kingston: 309 Queen Mary Road, Victoria Street upgrades, 15/03/2023) contained the following statement: the City of Kingston is exploring the feasibility of locating health care services, including a primary health care clinic, at 309 Queen Mary Road” As one of the thousands of Kingston residents without a doctor to provide primary health care I initially greeted this announcement with enthusiasm. But, upon reading the additional details provided on the linked webpage it appears that the proposed clinic will be for the residents of the transitional housing. If the city wishes to have those who live in the area surrounding 309 Queen Mary Road welcome the proposed changes it would be advisable to have the new centre provide potential benefit to all by establishing a primary health care clinic open to all those without such services.
- I live in the neighbourhood and would like to see the idea of providing housing for those who are experiencing homelessness at this site to be further explored. With the right combination of social services which could be provided to those needing help, I think we must at least try to help. For those who believe this project would make the neighbourhood unsafe, there is already crime happening from Bath & Queen Mary all the way south down Johnson to downtown. The police are often around and for the most part, do a good job keeping the peace. Is it so hard to believe that if people are provided with a room to sleep, a place to use a toilet & have a shower, and food, that the incentive to break the law in order to survive is removed?

- Given my personal experience of how the temporary ICH affected the surrounding neighborhood when it was situated at artillery park, I have concerns about the location of services and transitional beds to Extendicare.
- Received flyer from some lady canvassing the area. After reading the official City emails, this flyer is misleading by implying that the site will be used for ICH (sic)
- I am in favour of supportive housing at that site.
- I think it's a wonderful idea. It is already built designed to provide health care services and would have bathing facilities and cooking facilities (I am assuming). I live not far from it and although I hear people voicing concerns about garbage, violence and crime, dangers to nearby schools I think this is a great idea.
- Excellent idea! The facility seems ideal for purpose, is close to buses and supermarkets yet is relatively secluded from neighbours such that it will likely not affect them to any significant extent,
- I live directly behind the [REDCACTED] building where cabins for the homeless have been placed for the past three winters. They have been absolutely zero trouble to the neighborhood. I encourage City staff to use this excellent example and use the Extendicare property for transitional housing. It is ideal. Further, I encourage the City to continue the cabin program and locate cabins in Portsmouth each winter.
- We have an access to health care crisis in Kingston. If we fail to increase availability of health care, we are creating huge problems for the health of those in our City. Housing is, without question, a need. However, access to health care for all Kingstonians is even more necessary. This need crosses the whole spectrum of those living in Kingston. The best use for 309 Queen Mary is a new health care facility with supporting clinics.
- The community needs such a facility and the property seems like a reasonable choice. But please ensure that we do not see a repeat of the problems experienced at the ICH on Montreal Street (sic). If we see those problems recurring at this new site, community support will evaporate.
- I think that if this is a transitional facility, then 24/hour, 7 day/week services should also be on site. I also do worry about any relationship to the Integrated Care Hub, which could lead to this Queen Mary site becoming a place of drug use, which would be of concern for the local community. There are lovely trails near the facility, and we would not want a natural place that serves many people in the city to become a place of drug use.
- This isn't a case of "not in my backyard". My "backyard" already has a prison, a halfway house, low income housing, a youth home.... For me, this is a case of complete lack of faith in the city being able to maintain property standards, safety of residents and their belongings, and ensure that our green spaces remain accessible to all residents without fear of the hazards of waste, needles, and

human waste. With minutes of 309 Queen Mary Road we have an elementary school and a youth recreation centre. It is on a direct path between our neighborhoods, where children and families walk and play each day, and these buildings. Before moving forward I ask that the City to consult and communicate openly with the community who has made this neighborhood their home. I would ask that we see a list of all possible and permitted uses under the zoning bylaw and official plan designation so we can learn about what is possible and be given the opportunity to provide our opinion/feedback on all possible options. We need to be consulted about expectations and responsibilities regarding things we hold important in our community. Things like personal safety, debris and junk accumulation, dangerous camps and camp fires, threatening behaviour in the neighborhoods, assurances of stability property standards and prices. We see the damage done to the area surrounding the Integrated Care Hub and are afraid. We also need to have legally binding assurances that changes to any approved plan not be considered at a later date in the form of zoning bylaws for land use, enforced property standards for ongoing property maintenance and standards within a very limited permitted use of the land. We all agree that social supports for our vulnerable populations are important and much needed, but open communication and partnership with the neighborhood and community will be instrumental in their successes.

- I think it's a good idea and a much needed service in the city but as I am a resident of the neighbourhood I do have concerns about the surrounding areas, nearby parks and schools, and feel like more information about how the facility will be run and the process of choosing the residents will be done.
- I think it's a good use of the property. If it's helping those in need, then why shouldn't the property be used?
- I am a resident of [REDACTED] and am very concerned about the misinformation that is circulating in my neighbourhood, including two anonymous flyers left in mailboxes over the weekend. There is a lot of education that will have to happen around what supportive and transitional housing is and what it is not, as people believe it will be another ICH (sic) despite your news release. I think Extencicare is a great site for SOMETHING and applaud the decision to purchase it. I look forward to the engagement, though I fear people have already made up their minds.
- This project is a waste of taxpayer money as it does nothing to solve the underlying problems, Dishonest landlords (or slumlords) in this city are driving homelessness by engaging in fraudulent evictions to evade compliance with rent control. One common scam is to throw long-term tenants into the streets by claiming to need the unit to house a family member (N12); once the unit is vacant, it is then immediately relisted for rent or sale at inflated prices - with



apparently no consequences to the fraudulent landlord. The other common scam is renoviction (N13), a fraud in which the slumlord applies for a city building permit to rip out everything - walls, floors, doors, windows, cabinetry, wiring, plumbing - in order to render a unit uninhabitable. The proposed work may or may not ever be completed; the only one thing which is certain is that the landlord will not ever meet the legal obligation to put the original tenant back in the unit at the original rent-controlled price when the supposed renovations are complete. This is fraud, but the penalties at the Landlord and Tenant Board are de minimis, rarely imposed, even more rarely paid and simply a cost of doing business. The amount a landlord can bleed from this community by overcharging tenants more than pays for the cost of breaking the law, usually over a short time frame (like a year when the harm caused can continue for decades). By giving these [REDACTED] building permits no-questions-asked, the City has made itself an accomplice. Hamilton has an effective bylaw to curb the abuses, which it modelled on one from New Westminster BC. Anyone applying for a building permit for unnecessary renovations that make an occupied rent-controlled tenement unlivable immediately gets a visit and a full inspection. The City has even added additional property standards officers to handle this workload. The City oversight continues throughout the supposed renovation right until the original tenant has been reimbursed moving costs, provided with alternate accommodation during the construction and finally moved back at the rent-controlled price. London ON is considering implementing similar measures. The City of Kingston needs to adopt these measures and additional measures which go beyond what Hamilton and the others are doing. Among these measures should be the provision of effective legal counsel to tenants being targetted for bad-faith or wrongful eviction. Legal Aid has an arbitrary income cutoff of \$18k and most private counsel do not see representing wrongfully-evicted or homeless persons to be profitable as a business model. The LTB being little more than a kangaroo court isn't helping. Endlessly building more homeless shelters, while refusing to deal with the root causes of the problem, solves nothing. Take the Hamilton bylaw, adopt it verbatim, hire as many inspectors as you need and move to rein in Kingston's slumlords and maybe you can take a bite out of this scam.

- Upon hearing the pushback from residents in the vicinity of the location on the news, I felt compelled to share my support for the city's approach. I support the city's approach to provide a facility for those in our community who need such transitional help in their lives to bring them out of a difficult position. Such an approach is proactive, forward-thinking, and compassionate to the Kingstonians that need such services. Such services which aid the city and broader population

as a whole has a greater benefit over the opinions of residents within a few hundred metres of the location.

- I live downtown, I see the effects of homelessness, I help them when possible, I regularly donate to charities that support homelessness
- Will this be like the other shelters/ "transitional housing " like [REDACTED] , Adelaide shelter. Those areas receive a high rate of police response as unwelcome parties attend the area frequently. What is to stop this from happening at 309 Queen St ?
- Are the staff trained and able to deal with mental health crisis, are they able to deescalate other than just sending them into the community unattended ?
- Concerned about security and the creation of another tent city outside of Extencicare. How will this be policed? Do not agree with giving out drugs there S one never knows when violence will occur.
- We remain concerned about the potential that this facility, over time, could be used to provide services for Kingston's most unstable, addicted, unhoused population and will result in an accumulation of garbage, camping on the property, vandalism to infrastructure, prostitution and open drug use in the vicinity, and increased thefts, harassment and violence for the neighbourhood that plays out across Canada when a social services point opens for this population. Proper care models and adequate staffing levels are essential if this facility is to provide services to a vulnerable population without the unintended social consequences spilling into the surrounding area - as is seen with the ICH - and with large shelter facilities (100 beds is significantly larger than ANY existing site in Kingston or the region) in cities like Toronto or Ottawa. This area already supports many group homes, low income residents, newcomers, seniors, thousands of students, and the new centre for Homeless Veterans will soon be open in the vicinity. It is also on the verge of becoming a food desert when the Food Basics closes. We already experience people living rough along the Rideau Trail, and previously behind Polson Park school and even in a scrubby area behind Homestead buildings on Queen Mary - that included a backyard on [REDACTED]. We think that a facility that is focused on longer term solutions for vulnerable people with high needs - supported care or even assisted living - can work, and we can all exist peacefully. We would be supportive of that kind of model. We understand that there is significant need in the community - we see many unhoused persons who appear to really need long term assisted care - THAT we support. I think the sleeping cabins have provided a better situation for some higher medical needs people - that kind of supportive living needs a home. We remain concerned, however, that over time, the crisis on our streets will grow - because government policy makers don't seem to have any idea as to how to make it shrink - and there will be a need to offer more services to the most

vulnerable people. Kingston may have no choice 3 years from now but to offer up Extencicare as yet another chaotic magnet for substance use, violence, and encampment and all of the chaos that spills over from that, as the neighbourhood around the ICH (sic) has had to endure. The City has lost Belle Park (sic) and a section of the K&P trail to absolute desperation and chaos. These people live in utter destitution and despair - mostly due to gaps in provincial social and mental health services. But it is the City that bears the consequences - including every taxpayer who contributes funds to support the management of every aspect of that chaos. Please do not spread that chaos to the Queen Mary Extencicare site.

- No feedback other than this is a great initiative and I hope a vocal minority of people opposing it don't dominate the conversation.
- Thank you for this invitation to comment. This 309 Queen Mary Road location is not suitable for any type of social support or housing. I have a committed and personal interest in the safety of the nearby woods and vast green space, which are currently enjoyed by many walkers, including myself. The concern is based on the historical uncontrolled encampments by the homeless and/or their family and friends. And, with encampments comes fires, trees damaged for wood, used needles, drug overdoses, belligerent individuals, etc. I welcome you to take a look around the city in areas where there is a substantial forest, such as on the east side of Centennial Drive, immediately south of VIA Rail. While this is a public green space, it houses homeless campers that have on occasion come running out of the woods, high on something, screaming and scaring me to the point that I don't feel comfortable walking there anymore. It is shameful that an isolated group has this kind of control over my enjoyment of the outdoors. So, now the city wants to scare me from another public space that I enjoy, the trail from Bath Road to Princess Street (sic). The type of care that these vulnerable people need is not something to integrate with such a widely used public space. Please, don't do this as it WILL be another encampment. I look at the inaccessible and damaged Belle Park (sic) and the Integrated Hub area (sic), and how the city and police haven't been able to control the homeless or addictive people once they take over. Trees cut down, fires (to cook on or keep warm), lots of thefts to support their drug habits, high or overdosed individuals scaring people from the area and so much more. While the city does boost the usage of three (3) plus acreage at Extencicare, it is going to be filled with uncontrolled tents in no time and nothing will be able to be done about it. The history of this city's inability to take control over encampments is my resource for concern. If the spread of homelessness can't be contained and controlled at Belle Park (sic) and the Integrated Hub (sic), why would my community not fight this supposed project for all it's worth! The answer is: we will fight until it is stopped. Thank you for your time.

- Measures need to be taken to ensure no violence or used needles gather in the area. Also monitoring of the areas so as not to have violence that occurred surrounding the hub on Montreal St. (sic) Doesn't occur at Queen Mary Road site!
- Thank you for this 2nd invitation to comment. My concerns have not waned whatsoever so I shall reiterate my original February 18th submitted comments, since you're asking for my feedback again. This 309 Queen Mary Road location is not suitable for any type of supportive or transitional housing. I have a committed and personal interest in the safety of the nearby woods and vast green space, which are currently enjoyed by many walkers, including myself. The concern is based on the historical uncontrolled encampments by the homeless and/or their family and friends. And, with encampments comes fires, trees damaged for wood, used needles, drug overdoses, belligerent individuals, etc. I welcome you to take a look around the city in areas where there is a substantial forest, such as on the east side of Centennial Drive, immediately south of VIA Rail. While this is a public green space, it houses homeless campers that have on occasion come running out of the woods, high on something, screaming and scaring me to the point that I don't feel comfortable walking there anymore. It is shameful that an isolated group has this kind of control over my enjoyment of the outdoors. So, now the city wants to scare me from another public space that I enjoy, the trail from Bath Road to Princess Street. The type of care that these vulnerable people need is not something to integrate with such a widely used public space. Please, don't do this as it WILL be another encampment. I look at the inaccessible and damaged Belle Park (sic) and the Integrated Hub (sic) area, and how the city and police haven't been able to control the homeless or addictive people once they take over. Trees cut down, fires (to cook on or keep warm), lots of thefts to support their drug habits, high or overdosed individuals scaring people from the area and so much more. While the city does boast the usage of three (3) plus acreage at Extencicare, it is going to be filled with uncontrolled tents in no time and nothing will be able to be done about it. The history of this city's inability to take control over encampments is my resource for concern. If the spread of homelessness can't be contained and controlled at Belle Park (sic) and the Integrated Hub (sic), why would my community not fight this supposed project for all it's worth! The answer is: we will fight until it is stopped. Thank you again for your time.
- I think it's great that the city will be providing more supports to people who really need it. It saddens me that there are those who oppose this, and I hope Kingston will nonetheless come together to support this project and our most vulnerable community members.

- This is an important-and misunderstood initiative. Every large city in Canada has to endure this sort of opposition at the beginning. I wish you luck.
- If the Care-hub location on Montreal Street (sic) is any indicator the Queen Mary site will be a detriment to the local community. The perception alone with the unkempt spaces surrounding the hub will be devastating for the local adjoining subdivisions. The services are required but the management of the space and the apparent "free for all" appearance alone cause concern. I couldn't imagine being a local business or a nearby property owner/tenant. The increase in calls for service for the emergency services, especially police will impact this current quiet neighbourhood. Thefts and other petty crime will increase as well. I would not support the location unless the management can and will impose strict rules and regulations for the users and the property standards.
- I think there is a need for this in the community and the former Extendicare facility would appear to meet much of the necessary criteria. This is a far better option than portable sleeping huts. I am concerned about the supervision and monitoring of the site as transitional housing. I would not want to see this site develop anything like the ICH (sic) which is nothing but a problem to the neighbourhood in which it is situated. If it is for real, long term living arrangements and does not turn into a revolving door of problems, then I could see a way to support it. I would like to know more about the criteria for candidates, the services to be provided, the length of stay, rules for residency, and how much supervision is to be present on site. My expectation would be 24 hour supervision. I don't believe that the City has done much to resolve the issues at the ICH (sic) for its neighbourhood, so I am suspect of this proposal and hope many questions are answered before moving forward. The sleeping huts, based on City data, were not a highly successful transition to real housing. So what is the criteria for success here? As a taxpayer, I would like to know how our support of this will be monitored and success judged BEFORE we start this project.
- I am happy to hear that the City has purchased this property. I believe it is an excellent type of building to help support people who are having trouble finding suitable housing. To have supports on site certainly is a positive feature.
- I think that communication was done poorly about the purchase of this property. Completely understanding that there needs to be closed meetings, etc, regarding the actual real estate deal, there should have been a better thought out process of communicating exactly what the facility was going to be used for (i.e. not a replacement for the ICH (sic)).
- I believe that supportive and transitional housing is necessary and important however, I believe that given the location of the proposed site, which is close to a public school, family housing, and a public recreation path, the transitional

housing in this location should be provided to tenants who do not have substance abuse or criminal issues. It should also be enforced that the public recreation path does not become an area for those being served in the transitional housing to loiter, as this would make it no longer assessable to the public. Thank you.

- At this point I would like to take the survey.
- This sounds really good, and something Kingston desperately needs! I hope most of the consultation being done will be with those using the facilities and not with the neighbours.
- From what I can tell this is a pretty good location for such a facility, and is something we desperately need more of in the city. I do hope that in the public engagement the emphasis is put up consulting the population that will be served.
- Absolutely the wrong location for this in a high density urban environment
- I love the idea, though obviously I want to see details.
- Well, duh! Consult the people who live in that area. People who don't live in the area shouldn't comment.
- I am very pleased that the city has made this acquisition. This type of housing is important, and this facility seems ideal for this purpose in many ways. I don't live in the neighbourhood, and so I'm aware that it is easy for me to be supportive because I won't have to live with any negative community impacts. I hope that the city carefully thinks about those potential impacts, listens to local residents, and plans accordingly. It does seem to me that this is too good an opportunity to miss.
- 309 Queen Mary road is adjacent to many well established family communities as well as some high population density areas. It is at the entrance of the Rideau trail and adjacent to many heavily used parks and forest areas. These parks and forests are currently clean and safe for local seniors and children to use. I'm very worried about the SIGNIFICANT impact on local communities a large experimental transitional housing complex will have. Housing this large amount of underhoused individuals in one location will have significant impact on the local parks, trail systems, adjacent apartment complexes and condo buildings and polson park elementary school. I live in [REDACTED] adjacent to extendicare. there is only forest and trails between my house and the property. If this becomes a transitional housing unit, who is going to ensure these forests don't become campgrounds? Who is going to sweep the forests for needles so our kids can still play? Housing 100 people in one location as an experiment is truly a terrifying idea. What mitigation strategies will the city put in place to ensure the forests, trail systems continue to be safe and usable for children and seniors? How will the city ensure these areas remain clean? That underhoused individuals don't set up an encampment in the forest? I fear the city has underestimated what this will do to the local families that have been living here

for years. I'm deeply disappointed in this decision that was made with zero community engagement and hope it's not too late to be rectified. The extendicare property was meant to be used as a nursing home, I think it would be short sighted not to continue using it for this purpose. Baby boomers are wondering their 80s,90s and many are going to reach >100 years old and many of them are going to need seniors Housing. Extendicare is already perfectly set up to provide these services and would require very little additional capital input to start housing seniors in need today.

- There has been an argument that the resistance to the proposed project is nimbyism. However residents in this area don't have backyards. The forest and trail is their space for recreation. With the large numbers of condos and apartments buildings there is scarcely an area of Kingston where loss of safe parkland and trails would have a higher impact on the immediate neighbours. My greatest fear of this project moving forward is that the problems in belle park (sic) will be brought over to our beautiful parkland. The city has recently renovated the Rideau trail and invested significant capital into making it more accessible and functional. I have not seen anything in any city proposal that addresses anything beyond the extendicare property. How will the city ensure the parklands remain usable for seniors and children? Has this even been considered in the city's future planning? 100 beds would by far be the largest shelter and hub for under housed kingstonians in the city. Historically the city moved shelters and had smaller spaces to « ensure that the city is not congregating too many services to the vulnerable population in the same area”  
<https://www.kingstonist.com/news/city-of-kingston-to-purchase-concession-street-property-for-stabilization-residential-housing/> , “thus preventing an oversaturation of services in one area” [https://www.cityofkingston.ca/city-hall/news-public-notice/-/news/d42fa41652/b9670cb392/City-acquiring-\[REDACTED\]-Street-for-stabilization-housing/AfyQxF11xa1f](https://www.cityofkingston.ca/city-hall/news-public-notice/-/news/d42fa41652/b9670cb392/City-acquiring-[REDACTED]-Street-for-stabilization-housing/AfyQxF11xa1f) what has changed that it is now acceptable to oversaturate and area well designed for families and seniors?
- Thank you for pointing out in the faq that this is not planned for a safe injection site. With the scale and size of the proposed project this is a major concern regarding safety in the neighbourhood with access to so much parkland from the facility. We are requesting that this be put into bylaw so we can have a firm plan that these services are not planned for the area.
- Hospital infrastructure is limited and will be insufficient to support our aging population until new facilities are built. I suggest engagement with teams from KHSC and programs such as transitional care and khsc at home. A large facility (50-100) beds with healthcare focus could be instrumental in improving delivery of healthcare to all in our region. Including offloading medicine h it's and hospital

admitted patients from the emergency department, thus improving access to care and emergency department wait times. With focus on health care additional services such as home care or walk in could also be planned for the property these are in dire need in Kingston.

- As baby boomers age low income seniors will become at increasing risk of homelessness. A large facility could continue to operate as a seniors facility with a focus on seniors no longer able to live independently with a focus on financial need.
- Some ideas for the property use that would likely satisfy all involved in the neighbourhood, would provide an enormous service to our community with a focus on health and people at risk of homelessness, or medically fragile individuals. Low income seniors housing, transitional housing for medically fragile patients ie. recent discharges from hospital to help offload inpatient units and emergency departments, new family doctors or nurse practitioner offices (our city is +++ desperate for these, along with walk in clinics for unregistered patients), home care services, respite care.
- Thank you for engaging with the community. As in your FAQ we request that you add a bylaw that excludes the use of this space for needle exchange or as a transient short term shelter. Thank you!
- I think this type of housing and programming should be located closer to the ICU so services and support can be centralized. This also limits not having multiple low end properties and crime spread about Kingston. I know that sounds harsh but fixing the problem not the symptoms is critical. Making next to free housing and support will only attract users from other municipalities. It's a slippery slope and reversing these decisions is far more complicated.
- Place of worship Library Community centre Anything that will keep our community safe
- Since the announcement of the hub moving to Queen Mary Rd and Bath. Our entire world has been in Kaos. This will make us and many of our neighbors homeless. Bankrupt and no where to go. Please stop this experiment it doesn't work here anywhere or the rest of Canada. Use this area for more residential homes or for seniors or veterans
- Not for those who have little or no interest I. Our community
- Hello, I watched the mayor's Facebook message today about plans for 309 Queen Mary. I was very excited to learn that the city had been approached by a primary health partner. We urgently need family doctors and if the city creates the clinic and possibly runs the day to day operations with some of the 1M funding allocated to attract new doctors, it will go a long way to encouraging family physicians to come to our city or for Queen's grads to stay here and practice. I am told the overhead of running a clinic is something many see as an



unwelcome barrier. As for the transitional housing - you mention an older age group - but I was left with a lot of unanswered questions, such as, who would be running and managing this transitional housing? How do we know that there will be no mission creep to younger age groups that will not mix well with a senior neighbourhood and a penitentiary/halfway house nearby. Where are these new transitional tenants coming from? The hospital? Primarily I do not want to see unsupervised patients who have refused mental health treatments and been released from hospital and there must be a zero tolerance policy for substance use on site. The city must guarantee this in writing to local residents as part of any lease or contractual agreement to prevent mission creep. My oldest will be walking in front of extendicare to school starting next year and I want to know that they are secure and for our whole family using the trail behind extendicare for walks and bike rides. Thank you for your consideration and I sincerely hope the primary care clinic option details can be disclosed soon. We made national headlines with our CDK line ups. Let's make the national headlines again with an innovative approach to attracting and retaining family doctors. by offering them a clinic to practice in 1M could go a long way towards this. ...Regards.

- Hello, i have a few questions, was the surrounding neighbourhood consulted with before the vote took place? if not, why? the area was described as 'the perfect place' to have transitional housing, can someone explain what this means and why exactly it is perfect? I have lived in [address removed] for over ten years, we havent seen many changes in the area in this time, we even had to pay for gas lines which were not funded by the city. the path was just started to be revamped last year and we patiently waited while our building shook throughout the summer while the sewers were replaced. the path has not been equiped with lighting. Many of us here are condo owners and so we don't have the option of simply renting elsewhere, has the city considered the investments we have made into our homes and how this might affect it? many of us living here have been here a long time and have made it their home. we take pride in our homes and care about changes that may occur. some seniors including my parents have struggled finding adequate emergency care at the existing hospitals, will this plan include care for seniors or people with disabilities and make vital healthcare more accessible for all kingstonians or only a select group?"
- I support the plan for increased transitional, supportive and affordable housing and think the location is sensible, with transit and easy access to a grocery store as well as healthcare zoning. However the devil is in the details and if we do not get this right, we risk eroding the community's tolerance for living with 'more and different people' (i.e., increased density). So I urge the City to continue to work closely with Lionhearts, Trellis (AMHS), and Home Base (sic) to ensure a design and roll out that meets the needs of the unhoused and precariously housed,

while maintaining the support of the surrounding community who seem to be becoming increasingly nervous about this project. The latter I believe is due to the communication coming from the city. I assume it has to be vague at this point, but as a result it leaves much room for speculation, often of the worst-case type! The resulting fear of having large numbers of opiate addicts in one small area, may create significant resistance at the outset. I think some reassurance as soon as possible that the City will start small, will work with the relevant organizations to create community at the site, integrating people carefully, and that support staff will be there 24/7, might alleviate some of this initial resistance and make space for more useful community feedback. Thanks for the opportunity to feed into this process and much luck!

- I believe it would not be a good idea. I don't believe that the city has properly thought through how this would impact the area.
- Open minded to helping people who are unhoused
- Wonderful idea!
- I don't agree with this location being used.
- Please use generally meaningful terms rather than worthless planning buzz words that only serve to obfuscate the issues. This contemptible city is quite incapable of putting together a proper survey, most of which only serve to confirm whatever ill-stated preconceived notions it has.
- Finally a great idea for our homeless, drug dependant society. I'm all for the idea. No one in our great City needs more help than these individuals. It's a terrible situation for them to suffer from homelessness and drug dependency. Thank you for treating them with dignity.
- To Whom This May Concern, Regarding the anticipated use of 309 Queen Mary Road as a possible supportive and transitional housing site, we would like to suggest you consider the following points: The plan should specify whether in addition to refurbishing the existing facility there is any intention to include the provision of small independent homes. If the plan is only to refurbish the existing site there needs to be a clear description of the number and classification of the intended residents. There should be a pilot test or some way of evaluating and changing course if it isn't working, as is clearly demonstrated by the Hub on Montreal Street and the negative impacts it has had on local residents and businesses. Negative impacts include high demands for emergency services and police visits as well as thefts, fires and violence including a murder there. City of Kingston planners should be able to demonstrate similar successful projects in other areas, in order to avoid a similar waste of resources, time and effort as was demonstrated with the tiny homes project and its possible relocation to Roden Park and/or the marina, both of which were strongly opposed for

different reasons by neighbours and members of the larger community. We hope you will take these factors into consideration in your decision making process.

- Worst idea ever, for several reasons: 1) A large concentration of any societal segment into a neighborhood with which it has nothing in common is doomed to fail. 2) A large portion of residents in transitional housing facilities suffer from mental illnesses and substance abuse issues. Substances cost money.....and the abundance of private homes and their vehicles located in such close proximity are sources for that money. 3) This location is completely surrounded by residential family units and small children...the risk outweighs the reward. 4) Vacant commercial or industrial zoned land providing a buffer to private residences and children makes way more sense. 5) Marginalized individuals would/should be grateful for being ""Provided"" with a roof over their heads.....there is absolutely no need for that roof to be in a family's backyard.
- Dear [redacted] I hope this email finds all of you well. Our names are [REDACTED] and we are writing to you as residents of [REDACTED] in Kingston. Unfortunately, last night, our family received a hateful letter in our mailbox, urging us to oppose the efforts of AMHS-KFLA and the city in acquiring the Extendicare property for the integrated care hub. As a young family with a nearly two-year-old child, we are the very demographic purportedly represented by these campaigners. However, I want to assure you that despite this unwelcome (and frankly gross) correspondence, we are not swayed by fear. We firmly believe that relocating the integrated care hub to a central location, one that is especially well-funded, close to essential services, and accessible via public transportation, is the right decision and will save lives. We urge you not to let these vicious campaigners influence your decision-making process. It is important to listen to the advice of public health experts and prioritize the well-being of our homeless population. They are among the most vulnerable members of our community and deserve our unwavering support. As residents of [REDACTED], we support AMHS-KFLA and the city's efforts to provide crucial services to those in need. We implore you to continue pursuing the best possible property for the integrated care hub. Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your dedication to serving the best interests of all Kingston residents.  
Warm regards, [REDACTED]
- Mayor and Council: I am writing as a concerned parent and resident of this beautiful area of ours. I am grateful that you have opened up the discussion about the use of the property at EXTENDICARE . In my humble opinion, this is not a good place for homeless housing. It is much too far from anything else, including the most important, grocery store. the food Basics will be moving and there is nothing in the area for these people to buy groceries, seek medical care.. I am worried about who will oversee this building and all it entails. It would

require a great amount of supervision to make sure that things dont get out of hand. My daughter has worked for years to buy her condo right behind the EXTENDICARE building. Of course, as a parent, I am worried about her safety. I am worried about her property value being greatly reduced. I am worried about the green space around her building not being green anymore.. Please listen to your constituents when they voice their concerns.. Thank you.

- Your Worship and council, We have been great admirers of the changes and improvements made in Kingston in recent years. The secretive purchase and proposed use of 390 Queen Mary road are not a good idea. There are numerous prisons and halfway houses within walking distance of Extendicare . Add to this the mega project at Frontenac mall and the residential areas and schools will suffer a burden that is unreasonable. The perception that all of this was done in camera to exclude neighborhoods input does not look good for the city. We urge that council come forward truthfully and offer the chance reverse these plans and purpose 390 Queen Mary road as a medical facility, as designated.
- I object to you proposing to put a HUB on the property at Bath & Queen Mary. It just throwing good money after bad. You are not solving the problem, just moving it around. You are destroying good family neighbourhoods by doing so. Why do we keep on catering to these people? They CHOSE to take drugs and so they should deal with the consequences not the citizens of this neighborhood. There are laws to deal with drug use. Stop any further work creating a hub.
- To whom it may concern, I'm writing to you today as a concerned resident and tax payer of Kingston for over 65 years and I've owned my home on [REDACTED] for over 40 years. It was always a well kept well respected sought after neighborhood. I'm concerned with the decision making of relocating the homeless community to extendicare location without adequate boundaries and reassurances of protection for our neighbourhood. Most of us have worked hard and are now retired or raising young families. We all share the deep concerns of safety issues. The reality we will be facing that concerns us deeply are increases to insurance due to break ins, extra costs in repairs due to damages to our properties and vehicles. At the vulnerable stages of life that this neighbourhood currently contains we will not be safe to walk the streets with children and us the elderly without always being fearful of being harrassed. We can only hope and pray that it does not escalate to a state of emergency as we have seen in Belleville this week. The ball is in your court to keep our community and city safe. Regards, [REDACTED]
- I'm very concerned with the number of children living in this area and using the Cataraqui Trail that If extendicare is used for a safe injection or homeless site this could be a result of discarded needles . I know that KGH supplies free syringes free for who ever needs them . If anyone were to be accidentally subjected to a

puncture and injured or possibly die , I beleive the city would be liable . Please consider selling the property to a developer for a building where the city could earn tax money for much needed infrastructure upgrades . Sincerely .

[REDACTED]

- Hello, I am a homeowner of a unit in the building at [REDACTED] and I am extremely concerned about the Kingston City Council's consideration of turning the current Extencicare property into 1) a consumption treatment centre, 2) integrated care hub, 3) a safe injection site, etc. While I am not opposed to aiding people in need, I have serious concerns regarding the proposition of using the extencicare building for this purpose, for numerous reasons: 1)Poses a huge safety risk for residents already living in the area, specifically seniors and children walking outside 2)Will destroy the safety and beauty of the nearby Rideau trail 3)Will devalue all surrounding properties in the area 4)It will lead to another 'tent city' and lead to garbage and unsafe needles littering the area I am a mother of three who had a safe injection site open near my kids school, and the increase in safety hazards has been enormous. The children have been verbally harassed and physically chased by those who moved into the area. It has become a site of frequent police and ambulance activity practically overnight. I do not wish to see the same thing happen in this neighborhood. I expect that the public will be consulted prior to a decision being made in regards to this property, and will continue to express my concerns about this issue. Sincerely,  
[REDACTED]
- Hello to each of you, I write in strong opposition to the former Extencicare property being used for a supportive transitional housing base. What happened at the Integrated Care hub over on Montreal Street has been a disaster and this sort of facility has no place in this part of Kingston. Many of area residents are seniors who have lived here for many years investing in our properties and living quietly. No way should this facility used for the proposed purpose. The drug dealers will have another base camp! Just like the woods at Belle Park, thé Extencicare property verges on pathways along the trail. Many of us walk along that area. There are no food programs in this area or any other supports. Having drug users and transients in this area is dangerous and unfair to those of us who's own homes and pay our taxes. Please locate something like this elsewhere. We have invested in our homes and do not want this facility in this area. We should have been consulted about how our tax money would be spent and how the Extencicare property was to be used. With best wishes,  
[REDACTED]
- There should be more consultation with the people who would be negatively impacted by this.

- TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN Re Proposed plan for Bath and Queen Mary – Extencicare I am a Senior homeowner in the [REDACTED] and as such I have a vested interest in this proposal. If you are so inclined I would be pleased to receive a list of the steps I can and should be utilizing in order to affect the stay of this action that YOU personally would activate in order to stop this suggested project from being in YOUR PERSONAL NEIGHBORHOOD. If I look at the ability of our Government to take care of ALL THE NEGATIVE ISSUES relating to Belle Park; AND the Cabins at Portsmouth Olympic IT SCARES THE HECK OUT OF ME TO THINK YOU WANT TO BRING ALL THESE ISSUES TO WHERE I LIVE> I am in the Autumn of my life...does it seem fair, equitable, reasonable....that in these years I should worry about thieves
- Hello, I would like to acknowledge with gratitude promises made by Mr Mayor , City staff and AMHS CEO , that a safe injection site and other addiction treatment and housing is not going to be sited at 309 Queen Mary location. I choose to trust and hope that these promises are going to be followed with legal assurances My community is a mixed community of mostly seniors who are at the end of their earning ability and their condo is all they possess in a way of financial securities. Apart from acute and very well founded and statistically proven concerns of safety, peace and protection of adjacent natural resources and wildlife, I would like to bring forth concerns of a very large and sadly growing group of low income seniors. In light of growing prices of everything and pensions staying the same, many seniors are finding it impossible to afford housing with money to spare for food. It is a very bleak position to be. This social strata is not as visible on the streets, they are hunkered down, depressed, anxious, suffering in silence. The proposition to use the existing facility which offers 150 beds for treatment and housing of mental health and addictions clientele is unimaginable and 100% unacceptable to the existing community. The model of [REDACTED] fiasco is real and unsustainable. Research shows that the most efficient way to support re-integration of addicted clients into society is a small, family like dwelling where support is provided and purpose in life defined for clients in supporting one another. If this facility is used, it will become another huge institution and will fail to provide a fighting chance for the addicts. My community has lived in harmony with senior living at that location for 50 years, why not continue with this proven, successful hub? The group of low income seniors is much larger than the group of mental health and addiction issues. Addiction, mental health and homelessness is just more visible and louder problem for the City to deal with. Please don't take my trust away that decency, common sense and fiscal responsibility is not as important as public pressure to solve homelessness in one big , wrong swoop. The options to put this very valuable and expensive property are many, and all would benefit the most downtrodden, vulnerable,

needy groups of deserving citizens who would benefit from the size and natural surroundings. Low income seniors. Battered women and children. Children needing foster care. Rehabilitation centre extension for seniors post surgery, trauma .Housing for cancer patients from KGH large area catchment undergoing cancer treatment in Kingston. Cancer treatment is often delayed or refused based on inability to travel and or inability to afford temporary housing while being treated. These are just a few very worthwhile and deserving groups that could use a facility this size available to the City. I would like to believe that the Council will consider every option and angle, needs of every needy group involved including the needs of this established, peaceful community of seniors deserving City's protection. Thank you

- I write to you as a senior citizen, taxpayers and voter ,who is extremely concerned about how the city of Kingston plans to use the former Extendicare property. If the city creates a project,that put my personal safety,and other people who already live here at risk will be a very irresponsible,and dangerous. Many seniors can't afford a typical retirement home \$5.000 or more a month,(me included),please consider converting 309QMRd.into low income housing for seniors,or affordable retirement home. Consider the property for something that would improve the area,rather than dragging it down. We have plenty idea how that property can be used. Thank you for listening, and please give us a legal reassurance your proposal of used of 309 QMrd.is not going to put our safety at risk.
- To all concerned: I appreciate having been able to attend the meeting in Polson Park last week. In addition, I appreciate the verbal assurances by Mayor [REDACTED and [REDACTED] that the ICH (sic)and services offered there are not coming to 309 Queen Mary Rd and ask that those assurances be made legally binding. I encourage all City Councillors to support those promises and to make them legally binding making this a step towards a solution agreeable to all concerned.
- My husband and I wish to thank Mayor [REDACTED] for his promise that services currently being provided at the hub on Montreal St. would ""absolutely not"" be moved to the Extendicare building at 309 Queen Mary Rd. We are very pleased to hear this as I am 84 and my husband is 86 and this has worried us extremely. We ask that city councillors support Mayor [REDACTED] promise and we request that this promise is legally binding. We have lived beside Extendicare for 32 years and it has been a very quiet area and we are pleased with this. We would like to suggest that the building at 309 Queen Mary Rd. be used for Palliative Care patients. It could also be used for elderly people waiting to go in a Nursing Home. This would free up beds in our hospitals. Thank you for listening to us.

- Dear Mr Mayor and City of Kingston council, I wish to express my deep gratitude for the fact that [REDACTED], Mayor of Kingston, made a verbal promise to our community that Integrated Care Hub (ICH) and the services offered there are not currently planned to relocate to site of 309 Queen Mary Road. I understand that [REDACTED], AMHS was in agreement with that statement of not moving ICH/its services into above mentioned location. This is indeed welcome development. However great news, I feel that we need this promise to stand in times to come and to hold without bias or possible changes in the future. I believe that as a community we need to have (a) this statement approved by the council and (b) additionally, put in additional, legally binding form, which cannot be revoked/changed or broken in the future. As I understand, council can vote to change standing by-laws (in times of need and under developing circumstances) by voting in the future. Therefore, we need strong legal contract/unbreakable covenant, additionally to by-law, to prevent future changes that could negatively impact our community. Furthermore, I wish to applaud [REDACTED], Kingston [REDACTED], for her presence at yesterday's meeting at the Polson Park townhall; for her dialog about city's future plans for 309 Queen Mary Rd location and for her patient explanation to that matter. Matter which is not by far easy to find appropriate solution to. Thank you.
- Homelessness and addiction are two concerns noted worldwide. Finding answers is not an easy task and I truly admire people who devote their professional lives working in this field. We all - as community of people from different walks of life - are not only aware, but much compassioned about plight of people around us. However, balance must be found that by helping small, deeply affected group of people (addicts, homeless or both) we do not make people living in our community negatively affected. After all, we are the people who carry the burden of supporting whole society by paying taxes (to benefit not only people who contribute into common coffers, but social services, health care, food, shelter etc for ALL). For this, it is of utmost importance that Kingston's Mayor, city aldermen, city planners and city employees are going to continue working together and in close deliberation with residents of our community - to find a solution which benefits people of need and would not harm or hurt working, law-abiding residents who made this community their homes.
- Hi, Our community just had a very productive meeting last night where a lot of our questions and concerns were heard and answered. I'd like to thank the Mayor, [REDACTED] and everyone involved for your verbal assurances that the ICH (sic) and other services offered at Montral St will not be moving to the former Extendicare building located at 309 Queen Mary Rd. We heard that everyone wants to help the less fortunate but not in a way that detrimentally affects our lives, sense of safety and security, the environment, or property values. This



process is meant to find the balance between offering helpful services and minimizing or eliminating the adverse effects on the neighbourhood. We are still sceptical and cautious and hope promises are kept, and hope city council support the Mayor and make these promises in writing and legally binding. We see much more positive alternatives for this highly desired area. We have a housing crises so why not a multiple unit apartment building be constructed either rental or more condos? How about an old age home for seniors? How about helping our homeless vets who served for our Country? How about a safe house for abused women and children? Thanks and have a great day,

- Dear Mayor, Council and City Staff We appreciate [REDACTED] and other City staff attending the Polson Park town hall last evening and listening to the loud protests from the community that we do not support any type of transitional housing at 309 QMR. The unanimous voice in the room was that the Extencicare property, has for the past 50 years, successfully and peacefully been used to help and house seniors. These are the type of services that should continue in this space. Our large ageing population needs to come first, our seniors deserve to have services provided to help them and to be put as a priority, ahead of other populations. They have spent their lives contributing to this city, country and it's time for us to collectively look after them. We acknowledge Mayor [REDACTED] promise that services currently being provided at the Integrated Care Hub (sic) would 'absolutely not' be moved to the Extencicare location. We appreciate and thank the Mayor for hearing the outcry of our community, and we request ALL council members to support Mayor[REDACTED] promise and ask that it be made legally binding to prevent mission creep or other unwanted adverse effects on our neighbourhood. We call for City staff to put the current residents, and specifically the seniors of this community as first consideration in their planning, help us keep our community safe and prospering for at least 50 more years. Respectfully, [REDCATED]"
- Hello, I support the Extencicare building (309 Queen Mary Rd) being turned into a center for the unhoused or those with mental health issues or additions. Since this building already has some medical infrastructure it seems like an opportunity to provide these services more quickly than if the city had to start from scratch, as well as some costs being saved. I've heard the capacity at Extencicare is 100 people, and even getting half or that capacity for the new health services would be fantastic. I live in an apartment building right beside the Extencicare building so I've overheard all the NIMBY opinions and it breaks my heart. I wanted to reach out to show that there is support for these services around the city and at 309 Queen Mary Rd. People have expressed fear of finding needles in town, a safe injection site would help remove littered needles. People have expressed fear of encampments, a temporary housing center would help get those people

off the streets. People have expressed a lot of fear, but not enough enthusiasm for the public services that help, and the people that make them possible, which I want to show my support for. We need safe injection sites, temporary housing, warm up centers, food centers, and a whole wide range of services for people in need of the most help. The Extendicare center transformation could make very meaningful impact for those who use its services and for those who don't. Because we all benefit when more public health care services are provided and when people get the help they need. Thank you for reading my comments. Sincerely, [REDACTED]"

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- Will you compensate the residents in the surrounding neighborhoods? A facility of this size is a totally different proposition than the existing small facilities. The property values of ~100 homes nearby could easily go down by \$100K per home and higher for the more expensive properties, and it wouldn't be fair to expect the individual property owners to just absorb that financial loss.
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- Good morning, With respect to 309 Queen Mary Road, has the City considered the fact that the only grocery store in our area (Food Basics Bath Road) is being relocated to Gardiner's Road thereby leaving the residents of these communities with no grocery store within walking distance. This is a big deal for many residents who don't have transportation and specifically seniors who walk to the store with their grocery carts. Would the property at 309 not be an ideal location to sell to a developer to put in a grocery store which could service the surrounding areas and provide an actual necessity here? Further to that, why not convert the green space behind the property to a community garden? Our residents (specifically the senior population) would be able to tend to the garden, providing them with many health benefits both mental and physical, and at the same time feed the community. With the price of food so out of control, this would be an actual benefit to this community. Why not put something positive into such a heavily residential space instead of ultimately destroying it with by moving more problems in? There are so many things that can be done with this property that would bring prosperity and good into this community, why is the City not thinking about the needs of current residents and this neighbourhood?  
Respectfully, [REDCATED]
- Good morning, I will continue asking questions because I have many and they are not addresses in the FAQ page. I would hope to receive a response soon or at least an indication that you plan to respond. In this article, the city indicates that it will be consulting service providers to come up with a plan to be approved by council. Where are the consultations to be had with the public in all of this? Can you please indicate the milestones when you will ask the public for input on the plan before it goes to Council for approval. Also, I have read several times that the city was approached by AMHS because they wanted the ICH (sic) to change location. This was in the minutes of the June 29, 2022 council meeting. It was also mentioned by [REDCATED] in another article that the lease was expiring in 2024. See attached. So you can appreciate why the public has difficulty believing the recent statements from The city that extendicare will never offer ICH (sic) services, including safe consumption. I would like to receive a copy of any correspondence between the city and AMHS on the matter of moving the ICH location. Again, i do not mind extendicare being used to help vulnerable populations, so long as security is there to ensure we can use the Rideau Trail safely and the sidewalk safely. However, we do not want any permitted substance abuse on the property or the vicinity. And we do not want another Belle Park in this city. Thank you for your consideration
- I am asking that the survey re: 309 Queen Mary Rd be extensive and include all possible options for its use not just those for supportive and transitional housing. Along with them should be the opportunity to comment on all legal and zoning

issues. If there is the possibility of changing the permitted use in the future, they should be disclosed so that opinions can be expressed. The survey should allow for real concerns by neighbours such as personal safety, debris and junk accumulation, dangerous camps and camp fires, break-ins, (I've had four in my lifetime...two in this neighbourhood. I don't want more.) ,bad and threatening behaviour in the neighbourhoods, assurances of the stability of property prices and lists of possible uses and what we can remove from consideration. It might also include feedback on the affect of the stress on neighbouring senior citizens. I'd like to have legally binding assurances that what the community does not want will not be reconsidered at a later date by any group or institution.

- Hi, I am writing in regards to the plans to make 309 Queen Mary Road into transitional housing. I am a pediatrician who works in Toronto, but I did my medical school and pediatric residency in Kingston. I was there for 8 years, consider it my second home, visit regularly, and still have many colleagues and friends in the city. I am worried about the safety of the current residents of the neighbourhood, especially their children. The area is surrounded by multiple schools, parks, and a trail that is a community resource for being active and enjoying the outdoors. Adults can use their better judgement about approaching people, going to a particular area in the neighbourhood, or picking up foreign objects on the ground. But children may not be able to make the right decision when thrown into these situations. And as much as you will seek to offer assurances that drug paraphernalia, garbage, and a tent city won't occur - this cannot be guaranteed - and is more likely to occur than not based on current experiences by the hub and Belle Park (sic). I fully anticipate that there will be an uptick in accidental needlestick injuries seen in children in Kingston if this plan goes forward. Any of the children using the playgrounds/parks/trails near 309 Queen Mary Road will be put in harm's way unnecessarily. This will put undue stress on an already strained healthcare system and COPC urgent care centre. In addition, the stress that parents will undergo while awaiting test results for their little one cannot be taken lightly. The child themself will have to undergo the pain of blood tests and possibly taking medications that have adverse effects while awaiting results. I also fully expect the families in the neighbourhood to reduce the time they spend playing outdoors. Needless to say, this will result in harm to the kids' mental and physical health. Being sedentary, too much screen time, and obesity are already massive issues our society face - they do not need to be exacerbated by poor decision making by the city. Another unintended effect is that for some kids who are living in unsafe homes, the park and playground may be their escape. To make this a dangerous place for them as well is unjust. There are many people who should be consulted in this decision, and it seems like this due process has been glossed over. I urge you to reconsider this plan that is

dangerous for the community, and especially the children of Kingston. I think the local residents are raising very objective concerns that go beyond NIMBYism. If you want more local input from a pediatric perspective, I am certain that Kingston's pediatricians would be more than happy to have their opinions taken into consideration. Thank you for considering my input.

- Hi there: Here are the questions I would like to see answered about the proposed site at 309 Queen Mary Road: 1. How will you ensure ALL those who would like to attend consultation sessions be able to do so in person and not via zoom. 2. How will you ensure that the voices of those directly impacted by this development are prioritized over those of the general population? 3. How will you ensure the safety of citizens who live surrounding the greenspace behind extendicare and walk behind extendicare. 4. How will the city ensure that no fires are set in the surrounding green space. 5. How can the city prove to its citizens that your proposal has been PROVEN to work in other cities kingstons size. 6. How will the city be held accountable to continuous improvement of the site as problems arise? 7. How will the city listen and address ongoing concerns of surrounding citizens if they arise. How will the city be held accountable to implement solutions once your proposal is put in place. 8. When the city has clearly not been transparent in purchasing this development, from the QA's published it seems that you did so based on an a recommendation from another organization. Please show us how your proposed solution has worked and worked well in other cities and that your purchase was based on sound research versus a simple recommendation. 9. I appreciate that you have built a mixed model housing unit on Princess / Hillendale. Can you prove to me that centralizing such housing in such close proximity to your proposed development will benefit those residents in your new housing development on Princess St, as well as the large population of immigrants, senior citizens and other vulnerable populations concentrated in this area. 10. Do you plan to house people in your facility that are struggling with addiction - will you have a zero tolerance policy at your new facility. I look forward to seeing these questions answered on your page. Thank you
- Hi there, I am a resident in this neighborhood. I request this site a drug free legally guaranteed property. My kids walk to school passing 309 Queen Mary Road. I walk to school to St Lawrence College passing 309 Queen Mary Road. My husband bikes to work passing 309 Queen Mary Road. Thanks.
- Dear Mayor and Council Members: I was born, raised, educated and taught high school in Kingston until I retired in 1917. I am widowed, my only sibling passed away over a year ago. My parents are deceased, and two of my three children are deceased. My only immediate family member lives hundreds of kms away. In other words I live ALONE with a mobility disability and have several other

medical issues. I FEAR for the future of my surroundings, the SAFETY of my home, my vehicle, and myself, the SECURITY of my environment and I am FRIGHTENED to be alone. I take the city bus (Bath Rd.) during the bad weather. I believe that this will not be an option for me due to FEAR, SECURITY and SAFETY. The new and improved Rideau Trail is like a dream come true for me. Finally I can take my walker and enjoy nature and be outside exercising. I believe that this will not be an option for me due to FEAR, SECURITY and SAFETY. My vehicle along with everyone's vehicles are parked outside. I worry about the SECURITY of our vehicles and our SAFETY walking to and from our building. [REDACTED] Please Mayor and Council Members think of alternative ideas for extendicare. A beautiful park or sell to a developer and let them build an apartment building. Thank you.

- Respectfully I would like to suggest that the existing property at 309 Queen Mary Rd. could be used for a Much Needed care home for seniors with renovations made to the existing building. So many of the retirement homes are so highly priced and perhaps this could be a lower priced facility. It could also be used for the overflow of patients in hospitals which is also very much needed in the city of Kingston. Another suggestion would be a grocery store as there are many seniors and residents in this area who will miss the Basics store on Bath Rd. When it moves. Even if it was a smaller scale store it would be much appreciated. We have empathy for the homeless and addicts but feel The old Kingston Penitentiary would be a very good place and they would have a beautiful view and plenty of land. Also, what about the Kingston Memorial Centre for housing homeless. Yours sincerely,
- Dear Mayor, Councillors and City Staff, I remain highly skeptical of anything the city is putting out, and unless we have legally binding guarantees that 309 QMR will not be any form of ICH (sic), injection site or encampment, I consider their words absolute rubbish. A few quick things from your carefully crafted FAQs 1. Transitional housing doesn't USUALLY have consumption and treatment services....that means absolutely nothing! Basically what I hear is that 309 can and likely will have consumption and treatment services. 2. "AMHS still has a lease on property where the ICH is on Montreal Street and is not CURRENTLY planning on relocating". An outright deception! Is it not stated fact that the lease expires at the end of March and is NOT being renewed therefore the ICH must move? Does the City consider us completely naïve? 3. They give examples of 3 current transitional housing locations in Kingston. [REDACTED], with 19 spaces, [REDACTED] Street with 17 spaces and 494 Fieldstone with a whopping 8 spaces. So no examples with 150 spaces, or anything remotely close to that number. You can't compare a facility with less than 20 people to a facility 7.5 X larger! Again, complete nonsense! 4. "Who will provide services at 309", it's again

AMHS, the same organization currently running the disaster at the ICH on Montreal street (sic) and who's services INCLUDE the injection site. "Assisting individuals to access needed supports and services, while collaborating with local service providers, community organization, as well as property and business owners, to cultivate a safe, welcoming, and supportive community that considers the complex needs of all those involved. To engage with individuals who may be experiencing homelessness, addiction, or mental health difficulties". Collaborate – Integrate, pretty interchangeable, this all sounds like a round about way of saying Integrated Care Hub (sic) and Consumption services. The vague answers, completely non comparable examples and blatant lies put out in the City's FAQs make me all the more convinced that the City's actual intent for 309 is in fact a Consumption/injection site, and a carbon copy of the current ICH (sic), with a new address. 150 rooms and 3 acres of property is the perfect fit for the ICH (sic), whose lease ends in next month, simply relocate and continue this disaster on our front doorstep. A freshly paved trail directly behind our properties, which includes FIRE HYDRANTS, perfect for extinguishing fires in the newly formed encampment, just adds to my assurance of the actual plan. The writing is on the wall and our communities are reading through your rhetoric. One final point, why not allow the public to leave comments after these FAQs, no option for us to reply to the vague misleading answers you are putting out?"

- Hello, As someone in the community that has worked directly with the people in this situations and also for the CMHA that was previously removed from our city and the people. I highly agree that this is needed to help make a better tomorrow for people that have fallen through the cracks. We understand as a community that one person cannot make a huge difference, but together as a whole we can move mountains. I know this as I have seen it first hand. This location already has so much potential for a community to thrive. So much purpose within its walls. Thanks for your time and patience today. I bless whoever decided to move forward with this and help the community where it's lacking in love and care. Thank you
- Dear [REDCATED]: Your real estate deal on behalf of the City to buy the 150-bed facility at 309 Queen Mary Rd (QMR) and convert it into ""transitional supportive housing"" will have severe negative consequences for the neighbourhoods and residential buildings in the immediate vicinity of the property. Have you asked yourselves if you would feel comfortable living a few hundred meters away from such a place? We are greatly concerned about our personal safety and security because of the inevitable foot traffic through our streets by individuals walking towards the housing and care facility who may be under the influence of narcotics, opioids or other substances. Many of us have children or teenagers who walk to school every day or who play in the parks and

green spaces in the same block as 309 QMR. There are also a significant number of Senior citizens who live in apartment buildings nearby who are distressed about the plans for 309 QMR because they are more vulnerable than other adults if they find themselves in a threatening situation with a disturbed individual. You appear to be willfully ignoring the negative consequences of having such a facility next to thriving neighbourhoods populated by hard-working, tax-paying, citizens and their families. Such a situation should be seriously concerning to the citizens of all municipalities in Ontario and beyond. How can anyone justify the destruction of a large community of people to “save” another group of people? I am writing to request that the deal to buy 309 QMR be immediately cancelled. The City could instead buy land from the Federal Government next to the Collins Bay institution and build the facility it wants there. It will cost more money than buying 309 QMR but it will not destroy neighbourhoods.

- Dear Sirs and Madams, I am writing to express my most serious concerns with respect to the municipality's plans to develop the Extencicare site at Bath and Queen Mary. I have lived in this neighbourhood for a number of years, and I have owned several properties in the area. I also operate a small business in this same area, employing five individuals (and thus supporting them and their families). The municipality has demonstrated a complete inability to properly manage the collateral effects of operating such a facility in its present location, and there is no reason to believe that the municipality will be any more successful in managing those same effects in a new location. You have a collective responsibility to represent the interests of all constituents, and I can confirm that the contemplated development is not consistent with my interests or, more importantly, the interests of the families that I support through employment. Regards, Paul Paul Andrews
- Worst idea ever, for several reasons: 1) A large concentration of any societal segment into a neighborhood with which it has nothing in common is doomed to fail. 2) A large portion of residents in transitional housing facilities suffer from mental illnesses and substance abuse issues. Substances cost money.....and the abundance of private homes and their vehicles located in such close proximity are sources for that money. 3) This location is completely surrounded by residential family units and small children...the risk outweighs the reward. 4) Vacant commercial or industrial zoned land providing a buffer to private residences and children makes way more sense. 5) Marginalized individuals would/should be grateful for being "Provided" with a roof over their heads.....there is absolutely no need for that roof to be in a family's backyard. Regards [Redacted].



- Dear Mayor Paterson, [Redacted], [Redacted], and our City Council Member, Don Amos, I hope this email finds all of you well. Our names are [Redacted] and [Redacted] and we are writing to you as residents of District 5 in Kingston. Unfortunately, last night, our family received a hateful letter in our mailbox, urging us to oppose the efforts of AMHS-KFLA and the city in acquiring the Extencicare property for the integrated care hub. As a young family with a nearly two-year-old child, we are the very demographic purportedly represented by these campaigners. However, I want to assure you that despite this unwelcome (and frankly gross) correspondence, we are not swayed by fear. We firmly believe that relocating the integrated care hub to a central location, one that is especially well-funded, close to essential services, and accessible via public transportation, is the right decision and will save lives. We urge you not to let these vicious campaigners influence your decision-making process. It is important to listen to the advice of public health experts and prioritize the well-being of our homeless population. They are among the most vulnerable members of our community and deserve our unwavering support. As residents of District 5, we support AMHS-KFLA and the city's efforts to provide crucial services to those in need. We implore you to continue pursuing the best possible property for the integrated care hub. Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your dedication to serving the best interests of all Kingston residents. Warm regards, [Redacted],[Redacted], and [Redacted]!
- Mayor and Council: I am writing as a concerned parent and resident of this beautiful area of ours. I am grateful that you have opened up the discussion about the use of the property at EXTENDICARE . In my humble opinion, this is not a good place for homeless housing. It is much too far from anything else, including the most important, grocery store. the food Basics will be moving and there is nothing in the area for these people to buy groceries, seek medical care.. I am worried about who will oversee this building and all it entails. It would require a great amount of supervision to make sure that things dont get out of hand. My daughter has worked for years to buy her condo right behind the EXTENDICARE building. Of course, as a parent, I am worried about her safety. I am worried about her property value being greatly reduced. I am worried about the green space around her building not being green anymore.. Please listen to your constituents when they voice their concerns.. Thank you. [Redacted].
- Your Worship and council, We have been great admirers of the changes and improvements made in Kingston in recent years. The secretive purchase and proposed use of 390 Queen Mary road are not a good idea. There are numerous prisons and halfway houses within walking distance of Extencicare . Add to this the mega project at Frontenac mall and the residential areas and schools will suffer a burden that is unreasonable. The perception that all of this was done in

camera to exclude neighborhoods input does not look good for the city. We urge that council come forward truthfully and offer the chance reverse these plans and purpose 390 Queen Mary road as a medical facility, as designated. Sincerely [Redacted] Kingston

- I object to you proposing to put a HUB on the property at Bath & Queen Mary. It just throwing good money after bad. You are not solving the problem, just moving it around. You are destroying good family neighbourhoods by doing so. Why do we keep on catering to these people? They CHOSE to take drugs and so they should deal with the consequences not the citizens of this neighborhood. There are laws to deal with drug use. Stop any further work creating a hub. [Redacted]
- To whom it may concern, I'm writing to you today as a concerned resident and tax payer of Kingston for over 65 years and I've owned my home on for over 40 years. It was always a well kept well respected sought after neighborhood. I'm concerned with the decision making of relocating the homeless community to extendicare location without adequate boundaries and reassurances of protection for our neighbourhood. Most of us have worked hard and are now retired or raising young families. We all share the deep concerns of safety issues. The reality we will be facing that concerns us deeply are increases to insurance due to break ins, extra costs in repairs due to damages to our properties and vehicles. At the vulnerable stages of life that this neighbourhood currently contains we will not be safe to walk the streets with children and us the elderly without always being fearful of being harrassed. We can only hope and pray that it does not escalate to a state of emergency as we have seen in Belleville this week. The ball is in your court to keep our community and city safe. Regards, [Redacted].
- I'm very concerned with the number of children living in this area and using the Cataraqui Trail that If extendicare is used for a safe injection or homeless site this could be a result of discarded needles . I know that KGH supplies free syringes free for who ever needs them . If anyone were to be accidentally subjected to a puncture and injured or possibly die , I beleive the city would be liable . Please consider selling the property to a developer for a building where the city could earn tax money for much needed infrastructure upgrades . Sincerely .[Redacted]
- Hello, I am a homeowner of a unit in the building at , and I am extremely concerned about the Kingston City Council's consideration of turning the current Extendicare property into 1) a consumption treatment centre, 2) integrated care hub, 3) a safe injection site, etc. While I am not opposed to aiding people in need, I have serious concerns regarding the proposition of using the extendicare building for this purpose, for numerous reasons: 1)Poses a huge safety risk for residents already living in the area, specifically seniors and children walking outside 2)Will destroy the safety and beauty of the nearby Rideau trail 3)Will

devalue all surrounding properties in the area 4)It will lead to another 'tent city' and lead to garbage and unsafe needles littering the area I am a mother of three who had a safe injection site open near my kids school, and the increase in safety hazards has been enormous. The children have been verbally harassed and physically chased by those who moved into the area. It has become a site of frequent police and ambulance activity practically overnight. I do not wish to see the same thing happen in this neighborhood. I expect that the public will be consulted prior to a decision being made in regards to this property, and will continue to express my concerns about this issue. Sincerely, [Redacted].

- Hello to each of you, I write in strong opposition to the former Extencicare property being used for a supportive transitional housing base. What happened at the Integrated Care hub over on Montreal Street has been a disaster and this sort of facility has no place in this part of Kingston. Many of area residents are seniors who have lived here for many years investing in our properties and living quietly. No way should this facility used for the proposed purpose. The drug dealers will have another base camp! Just like the woods at Belle Park, the Extencicare property verges on pathways along the trail. Many of us walk along that area. There are no food programs in this area or any other supports. Having drug users and transients in this area is dangerous and unfair to those of us who's own homes and pay our taxes. Please locate something like this elsewhere. We have invested in our homes and do not want this facility in this area. We should have been consulted about how our tax money would be spent and how the Extencicare property was to be used. With best wishes,[Redacted].
- There should be more consultation with the people who would be negatively impacted by this.
- TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN Re Proposed plan for Bath and Queen Mary – Extencicare I am a Senior homeowner in the [Redacted] and as such I have a vested interest in this proposal. If you are so inclined I would be pleased to receive a list of the steps I can and should be utilizing in order to affect the stay of this action that YOU personally would activate in order to stop this suggested project from being in YOUR PERSONAL NEIGHBORHOOD. If I look at the ability of our Government to take care of ALL THE NEGATIVE ISSUES relating to Belle Park; AND the Cabins at Portsmouth Olympic IT SCARES THE HECK OUT OF ME TO THINK YOU WANT TO BRING ALL THESE ISSUES TO WHERE I LIVE> I am in the Autumn of my life...does it seem fair, equitable, reasonable....that in these years I should worry about thieves (what happened with Quattrochi's); Garbage...drug paraphernalia, bathroom left overs...stoned and or homeless...disrespectful human beings (Belle Park). OUR GOVERNMENT FAILED!! Caution: This email is from an external source. Please exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from

unknown senders. Our neighborhood backs on to a ravine which will enable and encourage a NEW Belle Park source of living that is disgusting, which our Government will AGAIN NOT BEING ABLE TO MANAGE NOR CONTROL as noted above. I ask YOU PERSONALLY...what if this was going in your backyard or better the backyard of your Mother, Father, Grandmother or Grandfather...would you work as hard as you will to put it in their backyard. Our peaceful existence will be diminished, not because we have done anything wrong BUT MORE SO because the level of humans that will participate in this program will ALWAYS be looking for what they can get free...i.e. my personal belongs that belong to me cause increased vehicle break ins; trespassers on our properties; street walkers looking for there next option to inflect their needs and wants on me and my family without my consent. Closing thoughts...when it is common knowledge that Montreal Street is the area of choice for the type of community you want force upon this neighborhood...These people want to commune in the Montreal sector which has already been determined a a drug/homeless sector of our City...why not keep them in the lower class area and buy up properties within that location without working on creating many low end communities in our beautiful city. If you proceed and my property value diminishes, there should be recourse against our Government as I will never have an opportunity recap my losses. Again I ask you...why not where you live... I have not even discussed the effects on children, and all elderly people in this and surrounding communities I want to be made abreast of all the processes that are and will be happening at this location and within this project. PLEASE put me on notice for all general public meetings. [Redacted].

- Mayor et al., My daughter's family resides at , which borders the Extendicare property that the city has purchased for use as supportive and transitional housing. It is laudable that the city is trying to find solutions to the homelessness issue. The issues surrounding homelessness are many. A prime concern is the impact it can have on a neighbourhood.. My daughter purchased her property in April of 2022. She and her husband had/have the resources to purchase in basically any area of Kingston or surrounding neighbourhoods. She did her research and chose the Grenville neighbourhood based on her family's needs and the quality life they desired. Her decision was based on ALL the information that was available to her. Just this month, she became aware that the city had been negotiating, secretly, for two years the purchase of the Extendicare property. If she would have known about this withheld information, her purchase decision would have been different. It is my understanding that she may have been one of the last if not the last purchaser of a property in the Grenville neighbourhood. Caveat emptor! But the city government not disclosing information (be it lawful) prior to her purchase is a concern that is unique in her

situation. How to ameliorate that concern requires the wisdom of Job! I have written the enclosed document that provides an overview of the issues at hand. [REDACTED] My wife and I live in [REDACTED], Ontario, but we also own a 4 season vacation property at My daughter's family resides and owns the property at Kingston. This residence is in close proximity to the Bath/ Queen Mary Extencicare property that was recently purchased by the city of Kingston. My daughter purchased her property in April of 2022. The Grenville residence was described in the real estate listing as "a mid-century marvel set on the wildest prettiest half acre seen at the city's heart". Nearby tennis courts, a well-groomed community park with the Rideau Trail running past the back fence added to the lure. This was about as perfect a location as they could have asked for. They wanted property and a forested area was an added bonus. They have been known to be outdoors people and enjoy the flora and fauna of such a setting. The history and character of the area proved to be charming. It is an upper middle class neighbourhood with a diversity of families. She particularly liked the idea that there were children of similar age and gender to her two (son and daughter now 6 and 4). She was also thrilled that the children could play somewhat safely on the road, as there was minimal traffic that travelled at significantly slower speeds. This was in stark contrast to her previous residence (north-west corner of REDACTED]). Due diligence was done and then financing was put together to purchase the home and make appropriate renovations to suit most of if not all of the family needs for a long term future. They were also surprised that the neighbourhood association required her to attend a meeting, where neighbours vetted her suitability to the area! A bit snobbish, but it identifies a neighbourhood that wants to maintain its integrity and character long term. There is even a published history of the Grenville Park Association and its efforts to build and maintain a good neighbourhood. [Redacted] all of her due diligence, she was never made aware that the city of Kingston was in negotiations to purchase 309 Queen Mary Rd. (Extencicare long term care facility). On February 1, 2023 Global News reported that "city councillors quietly wrapped up nearly two years of closed-door talks with Extencicare, voting to approve paying \$3.8 million to purchase the long-term care provider's building and property at Bath and Queen Mary roads...the city plans to use the ready-made space as supportive and transitional housing for up to 100 people." [Redacted] If my daughter had know that these negotiations were ongoing during the time she was searching for a new home, her decision to purchase probably would have been different. Alas caveat emptor. This undisclosed planned sale of the property and its future intended use will have an impact on the value of her purchase. Although it may be lawful for the City government to deny access to records/information of meetings, which are authorized to be held without the public, the ethics in this

particular situation are untenable. City of Kingston CAO [REDACTED] said that the city was following standard procedures for land purchases. Section 239(2)(c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 (the Act) provides that a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board. This is the process the City has followed for all its affordable, transitional, and supportive housing and other property acquisitions as affirmed by [REDACTED], "We have been doing all of our property acquisition and disposition in closed session." "We recently purchased [REDACTED], nobody kind of reacted and said the city did things in secret... same process." Although it is the same process, the neighbourhoods of each property are significantly different as are the intended uses. The Concession St. (sic) property was a home to a tattoo parlour, a fitness centre and a Unitarian church. It should be noted that there is drop-in shelter service at [REDACTED]. This will be moved "to ensure that the city is not congregating too many services to the vulnerable population in the same area"[Redacted] "thus preventing an oversaturation of services in one area" [Redacted] The stabilization residential housing program offered by AMHS has proven to be effective in supporting and ensuring program participants transition into permanent housing. [Redacted] said. "The new space at 206 Concession St. will offer approximately 18 beds for individuals who require stabilization away from other pressures and risks and a consistent place to stay." The Queen Mary Rd. property was a 150 bed long-term care facility owned and operated by Extencicare. It encompasses 3.5 acres of park like land in very close proximity to the Grenville Park neighbourhood. In fact the Grenville Park Association sold the land to Extencicare in 1974. A City of Kingston website notice dated February 6, 2024 indicates that the property at 309 Queen Mary Road has been secured, while specific support services provided to complement transitional housing have not been decided. This property is not intended to be the location for the existing Integrated Care Hub.[Redacted] The current state of politics has put trust in our politicians and governments at an all-time low. Meadowbrook-Strathcona councillor Jeff McLaren said on February 6, 2024, "They (the city) have not been clear on what they want to do with it. There is some speculation that it could essentially become the new home of services offered at the Integrated Care Hub" "They could do a lot of things and a lot of those things that I imagine that they could do would be very detrimental to the communities that are in that area...and ultimately they don't want something that could bring safety concerns in their neighbourhood.[Redacted]. And these concerns are very real. Hurdle said "anywhere between 50 and 100 people could quickly be moved into the space, as the building is already zoned for health care, with dozens of individual rooms and common spaces already built. The plan for now is to leave it the way it is

while looking at the possibility of bringing in health care programming as well.” Displacing and relocating up to 100 homeless individuals may not be all that will be brought to the facility. In all likelihood many friends and acquaintances, who have not been given accommodations may also relocate to the area. Perhaps that would set up a camping situation similar to what occurred at Belle River Park. Whether or not it became an Integrated Care Hub then these documented [Redacted] issues may ensue: 1) massive gatherings of people hanging out making community members feel unsafe ,2) loud noises such as screaming, crying, and police and fire sirens, at all hours of the day and night 3) huge number of piles of garbage including quantities of used needles, tourniquets, and other drug paraphernalia that present a real danger to the community at large especially children, hikers and pets 4) large number of illegal campsites some hidden in the bushes and others in plain view on nearby city-owned and privately owned land. 5) stolen bicycles and bicycle parts being reworked 6) cutting down trees and destruction of wildlife habitat 7) fires 8) dramatic increases in thefts and people wandering and peering in windows at all hours of day and night 9) damage to their properties within a 5 block area 10) rampant theft to neighbouring homes and businesses – with consequent cost to neighbours and local businesses for new security cameras and safety protocols 11) drug paraphernalia left along nature trails 12) numerous (over 400) emergency calls to Police, Ambulance and Fire since mid last year 13) many reports to police remaining unanswered 14) residents feel like prisoners in their own homes. The City of Kingston should be lauded for its commitment to find safe, supportive housing for those experiencing homelessness in Kingston. It has been and continues to be a very difficult issue to overcome. Solutions are very difficult to find and those that appear worthy have many obstacles. In 2001 Grenville Park was awarded first prize in the City of Kingston’s inaugural “Liveable Cities Design Award”, and in 2003 received a “Communities in Bloom” award for the natural environment. Association members (property owners), both past and present have worked hard to achieve these awards and to make Grenville Park a desirable community in the city of Kingston to live in. [Redacted] To many, the concerns expressed by residents of Grenville Park regarding the purchase and use 309 Queen Mary Rd. may reek of nimbyism. However, the lawful, but highly questionable ethical approach taken by the city’s negotiations and intended use of the property pose an existential threat to the integrity and character of the neighbourhood. On a more personal level, it has changed the perceptions of what the future holds for the family that resides at At risk is not only their personal safety but their future hopes for an exceptional quality of life!

- Hello, I would like to acknowledge with gratitude promises made by Mr Mayor , City staff and AMHS CEO , that a safe injection site and other addiction treatment

and housing is not going to be sited at 309 Queen Mary location. I choose to trust and hope that these promises are going to be followed with legal assurances. My community is a mixed community of mostly seniors who are at the end of their earning ability and their condo is all they possess in a way of financial securities. Apart from acute and very well founded and statistically proven concerns of safety, peace and protection of adjacent natural resources and wildlife, I would like to bring forth concerns of a very large and sadly growing group of low income seniors. In light of growing prices of everything and pensions staying the same, many seniors are finding it impossible to afford housing with money to spare for food. It is a very bleak position to be. This social strata is not as visible on the streets, they are hunkered down, depressed, anxious, suffering in silence. The proposition to use the existing facility which offers 150 beds for treatment and housing of mental health and addictions clientele is unimaginable and 100% unacceptable to the existing community. The model of Montreal Str fiasco is real and unsustainable. Research shows that the most efficient way to support re-integration of addicted clients into society is a small, family like dwelling where support is provided and purpose in life defined for clients in supporting one another. If this facility is used, it will become another huge institution and will fail to provide a fighting chance for the addicts. My community has lived in harmony with senior living at that location for 50 years, why not continue with this proven, successful hub? The group of low income seniors is much larger than the group of mental health and addiction issues. Addiction, mental health and homelessness is just more visible and louder problem for the City to deal with. Please don't take my trust away that decency, common sense and fiscal responsibility is not as important as public pressure to solve homelessness in one big, wrong swoop. The options to put this very valuable and expensive property are many, and all would benefit the most downtrodden, vulnerable, needy groups of deserving citizens who would benefit from the size and natural surroundings. Low income seniors. Battered women and children. Children needing foster care. Rehabilitation centre extension for seniors post surgery, trauma. Housing for cancer patients from KGH large area catchment undergoing cancer treatment in Kingston. Cancer treatment is often delayed or refused based on inability to travel and or inability to afford temporary housing while being treated. These are just a few very worthwhile and deserving groups that could use a facility this size available to the City. I would like to believe that the Council will consider every option and angle, needs of every needy group involved including the needs of this established, peaceful community of seniors deserving City's protection. Thank you [REDACTED]

- I write to you as a senior citizen, taxpayers and voter, who is extremely concerned about how the city of Kingston plans to use the former Extencicare



property. If the city creates a project, that put my personal safety, and other people who already live here at risk will be a very irresponsible, and dangerous. Many seniors can't afford a typical retirement home \$5,000 or more a month, (me included), please consider converting 309 QMRd. into low income housing for seniors, or affordable retirement home. Consider the property for something that would improve the area, rather than dragging it down. We have plenty of ideas how that property can be used. Thank you for listening, and please give us a legal reassurance your proposal of use of 309 QMRd. is not going to put our safety at risk. Sincerely [REDACTED]

- To all concerned: I appreciate having been able to attend the meeting in Polson Park last week. In addition, I appreciate the verbal assurances by Mayor [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that the ICH (sic) and services offered there are not coming to 309 Queen Mary Rd and ask that those assurances be made legally binding. I encourage all City Councillors to support those promises and to make them legally binding making this a step towards a solution agreeable to all concerned.
- My husband and I wish to thank Mayor [REDACTED] for his promise that services currently being provided at the hub on Montreal St. would "absolutely not" be moved to the Extendicare building at 309 Queen Mary Rd. We are very pleased to hear this as I am 84 and my husband is 86 and this has worried us extremely. We ask that city councillors support Mayor [REDACTED] promise and we request that this promise is legally binding. We have lived beside Extendicare for 32 years and it has been a very quiet area and we are pleased with this. We would like to suggest that the building at 309 Queen Mary Rd. be used for Palliative Care patients. It could also be used for elderly people waiting to go in a Nursing Home. This would free up beds in our hospitals. Thank you for listening to us. Sincerely, [REDACTED]
- Dear Mr Mayor and City of Kingston council, I wish to express my deep gratitude for the fact that [REDACTED], Mayor of Kingston, made a verbal promise to our community that Integrated Care Hub (ICH) and the services offered there are not currently planned to relocate to site of 309 Queen Mary Road. I understand that [REDACTED], AMHS was in agreement with that statement of not moving ICH/its services into above mentioned location. This is indeed welcome development. However great news, I feel that we need this promise to stand in times to come and to hold without bias or possible changes in the future. I believe that as a community we need to have (a) this statement approved by the council and (b) additionally, put in additional, legally binding form, which cannot be revoked/changed or broken in the future. As I understand, council can vote to change standing by-laws (in times of need and under developing circumstances) by voting in the future. Therefore, we need strong legal contract/unbreakable

covenant, additionally to by-law, to prevent future changes that could negatively impact our community. Furthermore, I wish to applaud [REDACTED], Kingston [REDACTED], for her presence at yesterday's meeting at the Polson Park townhall; for her dialog about city's future plans for 309 Queen Mary Rd location and for her patient explanation to that matter. Matter which is not by far easy to find appropriate solution to. Thank you. Homelessness and addiction are two concerns noted worldwide. Finding answers is not an easy task and I truly admire people who devote their professional lives working in this field. We all - as community of people from different walks of life - are not only aware, but much compassionated about plight of people around us. However, balance must be found that by helping small, deeply affected group of people (addicts, homeless or both) we do not make people living in our community negatively affected. After all, we are the people who carry the burden of supporting whole society by paying taxes (to benefit not only people who contribute into common coffers, but social services, health care, food, shelter etc for ALL). For this, it is of utmost importance that Kingston's Mayor, city aldermen, city planners and city employees are going to continue working together and in close deliberation with residents of our community - to find a solution which benefits people of need and would not harm or hurt working, law-abiding residents who made this community their homes. Respectfully, [REDACTED]

- Hi, Our community just had a very productive meeting last night where a lot of our questions and concerns were heard and answered. I'd like to thank the Mayor, [REDACTED] and everyone involved for your verbal assurances that the ICH (sic) and other services offered at Montral St will not be moving to the former Extendicare building located at 309 Queen Mary Rd. We heard that everyone wants to help the less fortunate but not in a way that detrimentally affects our lives, sense of safety and security, the environment, or property values. This process is meant to find the balance between offering helpful services and minimizing or eliminating the adverse effects on the neighbourhood. We are still sceptical and cautious and hope promises are kept, and hope city council support the Mayor and make these promises in writing and legally binding. We see much more positive alternatives for this highly desired area. We have a housing crises so why not a multiple unit apartment building be constructed either rental or more condos? How about an old age home for seniors? How about helping our homeless vets who served for our Country? How about a safe house for abused women and children? Thanks and have a great day, [REDACTED]
- Dear Mayor, Council and City Staff We appreciate [REDACTED] and other City staff attending the Polson Park town hall last evening and listening to the loud protests from the community that we do not support any type of transitional

housing at 309 QMR. The unanimous voice in the room was that the Extencicare property, has for the past 50 years, successfully and peacefully been used to help and house seniors. These are the type of services that should continue in this space. Our large ageing population needs to come first, our seniors deserve to have services provided to help them and to be put as a priority, ahead of other populations. They have spent their lives contributing to this city, country and it's time for us to collectively look after them. We acknowledge Mayor [REDACTED] promise that services currently being provided at the Integrated Care Hub (sic) would 'absolutely not' be moved to the Extencicare location. We appreciate and thank the Mayor for hearing the outcry of our community, and we request ALL council members to support Mayor[REDACTED] promise and ask that it be made legally binding to prevent mission creep or other unwanted adverse effects on our neighbourhood. We call for City staff to put the current residents, and specifically the seniors of this community as first consideration in their planning, help us keep our community safe and prospering for at least 50 more years. Respectfully, [REDCATED].

- Hello,I support the Extencicare building (309 Queen Mary Rd) being turned into a center for the unhoused or those with mental health issues or additions. Since this building already has some medical infrastructure it seems like an opportunity to provide these services more quickly than if the city had to start from scratch, as well as some costs being saved. I've heard the capacity at Extencicare is 100 people, and even getting half or that capacity for the new health services would be fantastic. I live in an apartment building right beside the Extencicare building so I've overheard all the NIMBY opinions and it breaks my heart. I wanted to reach out to show that there is support for these services around the city and at 309 Queen Mary Rd. People have expressed fear of finding needles in town, a safe injection site would help remove littered needles. People have expressed fear of encampments, a temporary housing center would help get those people off the streets. People have expressed a lot of fear, but not enough enthusiasm for the public services that help, and the people that make them possible, which I want to show my support for.We need safe injection sites, temporary housing, warm up centers, food centers, and a whole wide range of services for people in need of the most help. The Extencicare center transformation could make very meaningful impact for those who use its services and for those who don't. Because we all benefit when more public health care services are provided and when people get the help they need. Thank you for reading my comments.Sincerely [REDACTED]
- Dear Mayor, Council members et al,I am writing to express my concern about the potential uses for 309 Queen Mary Rd. I feel the City's proposal to add any form of transitional housing, a care hub, or injection site or any such

establishment to our neighbourhood is unacceptable and misguided. Our neighbourhood is a safe location housing a large number of seniors and families with children. The prospect of placing a population that has proved to have complete disregard for people and neighbourhoods in which they have been placed is a threat to our personal safety. We are law-abiding , tax paying citizens. Who is going to protect us from the potential of violence? I am a senior citizen who goes out for a walk daily. Who will protect me from being assaulted or even killed? Who will be liable for any damage to our building and cars? How does the city plan to address my concerns if you go ahead with this misguided plan? I look forward to hearing your answers to my concerns. Respectfully. [REDACTED]

- Will you compensate the residents in the surrounding neighborhoods? A facility of this size is a totally different proposition than the existing small facilities. The property values of ~100 homes nearby could easily go down by \$100K per home and higher for the more expensive properties, and it wouldn't be fair to expect the individual property owners to just absorb that financial loss.
- Dear Mayor, Council members et al, I am writing to express my concern about the potential uses for 309 Queen Mary Rd. I feel the City's proposal to add any form of transitional housing, a care hub, or injection site or any such establishment to our neighbourhood is unacceptable and misguided. Our neighbourhood is a safe location housing a large number of seniors and families with children. The prospect of placing a population that has proved to have complete disregard for people and neighbourhoods in which they have been placed is a threat to our personal safety. We are law-abiding , tax paying citizens. Who is going to protect us from the potential of violence? I am a senior citizen who goes out for a walk daily. Who will protect me from being assaulted or even killed? Who will be liable for any damage to our building and cars? How does the city plan to address my concerns if you go ahead with this misguided plan? I look forward to hearing your answers to my concerns. Respectfully [REDCATED]
- Good morning, With respect to 309 Queen Mary Road, has the City considered the fact that the only grocery store in our area (Food Basics Bath Road) is being relocated to Gardiner's Road thereby leaving the residents of these communities with no grocery store within walking distance. This is a big deal for many residents who don't have transportation and specifically seniors who walk to the store with their grocery carts. Would the property at 309 not be an ideal location to sell to a developer to put in a grocery store which could service the surrounding areas and provide an actual necessity here? Further to that, why not convert the green space behind the property to a community garden? Our residents (specifically the senior population) would be able to tend to the garden, providing them with many health benefits both mental and physical, and at the same time feed the community. With the price of food so out of control, this would

be an actual benefit to this community. Why not put something positive into such a heavily residential space instead of ultimately destroying it with by moving more problems in? There are so many things that can be done with this property that would bring prosperity and good into this community, why is the City not thinking about the needs of current residents and this neighbourhood?

Respectfully,[REDCATED].

- Good morning,I will continue asking questions because I have many and they are not addresses in the FAQ page. I would hope to receive a response soon or at least an indication that you plan to respond. In this article, the city indicates that it will be consulting service providers to come up with a plan to be approved by council. Where are the consultations to be had with the public in all of this? Can you please indicate the milestones when you will ask the public for input on the plan before it goes to Council for approval. Also, I have read several times that the city was approached by AMHS because they wanted the ICH (sic)to change location. This was in the minutes of the June 29, 2022 council meeting. It was also mentioned by [REDCATED] in another article that the lease was expiring in 2024. See attached. So you can appreciate why the public has difficulty believing the recent statements from The city that extendicare will never offer ICH (sic) services, including safe consumption. I would like to receive a copy of any correspondence between the city and AMHS on the matter of moving the ICH location. Again, i do not mind extendicare being used to help vulnerable populations, so long as security is there to ensure we can use the Rideau Trail safely and the sidewalk safely. However, we do not want any permitted substance abuse on the property or the vicinity. And we do not want another Belle Park in this city. Thank you for your consideration [REDACTED].
- I am asking that the survey re: 309 Queen Mary Rd be extensive and include all possible options for its use not just those for supportive and transitional housing. Along with them should be the opportunity to comment on all legal and zoning issues. If there is the possibility of changing the permitted use in the future, they should be disclosed so that opinions can be expressed. The survey should allow for real concerns by neighbours such as personal safety, debris and junk accumulation, dangerous camps and camp fires, break-ins, (I've had four in my lifetime...two in this neighbourhood. I don't want more.) ,bad and threatening behaviour in the neighbourhoods, assurances of the stability of property prices and lists of possible uses and what we can remove from consideration. It might also include feedback on the affect of the stress on neighbouring senior citizens. I'd like to have legally binding assurances that what the community does not want will not be reconsidered at a later date by any group or institution. [REDACTED]
- Hi, I am writing in regards to the plans to make 309 Queen Mary Road into transitional housing.I am a pediatrician who works in Toronto, but I did my

medical school and pediatric residency in Kingston. I was there for 8 years, consider it my second home, visit regularly, and still have many colleagues and friends in the city. I am worried about the safety of the current residents of the neighbourhood, especially their children. The area is surrounded by multiple schools, parks, and a trail that is a community resource for being active and enjoying the outdoors. Adults can use their better judgement about approaching people, going to a particular area in the neighbourhood, or picking up foreign objects on the ground. But children may not be able to make the right decision when thrown into these situations. And as much as you will seek to offer assurances that drug paraphernalia, garbage, and a tent city won't occur - this cannot be guaranteed - and is more likely to occur than not based on current experiences by the hub and Belle Park (sic). I fully anticipate that there will be an uptick in accidental needlestick injuries seen in children in Kingston if this plan goes forward. Any of the children using the playgrounds/parks/trails near 309 Queen Mary Road will be put in harm's way unnecessarily. This will put undue stress on an already strained healthcare system and COPC urgent care centre. In addition, the stress that parents will undergo while awaiting test results for their little one cannot be taken lightly. The child themselves will have to undergo the pain of blood tests and possibly taking medications that have adverse effects while awaiting results. I also fully expect the families in the neighbourhood to reduce the time they spend playing outdoors. Needless to say, this will result in harm to the kids' mental and physical health. Being sedentary, too much screen time, and obesity are already massive issues our society face - they do not need to be exacerbated by poor decision making by the city. Another unintended effect is that for some kids who are living in unsafe homes, the park and playground may be their escape. To make this a dangerous place for them as well is unjust. There are many people who should be consulted in this decision, and it seems like this due process has been glossed over. I urge you to reconsider this plan that is dangerous for the community, and especially the children of Kingston. I think the local residents are raising very objective concerns that go beyond NIMBYism. If you want more local input from a pediatric perspective, I am certain that Kingston's pediatricians would be more than happy to have their opinions taken into consideration. Thank you for considering my input.

- Hi there: Here are the questions I would like to see answered about the proposed site at 309 Queen Mary Road: 1. How will you ensure ALL those who would like to attend consultation sessions be able to do so in person and not via zoom. 2. How will you ensure that the voices of those directly impacted by this development are prioritized over those of the general population? 3. How will you ensure the safety of citizens who live surrounding the greenspace behind extendicare and walk behind extendicare. 4. How will the city ensure that no fires

are set in the surrounding green space. 5. How can the city prove to its citizens that your proposal has been PROVEN to work in other cities kingstons size. 6. How will the city be held accountable to continuous improvement of the site as problems arise. 7. How will the city listen and address ongoing concerns of surrounding citizens if they arise. How will the city be held accountable to implement solutions once your proposal is put in place.8. When the city has clearly not been transparent in purchasing this development, from the QA's published it seems that you did so based on an a recommendation from another organization. Please show us how your proposed solution has worked and worked well in other cities and that your purchase was based on sound research versus a simple recommendation.9. I appreciate that you have built a mixed model housing unit on Princess / Hillendale. Can you prove to me that centralizing such housing in such close proximity to your proposed development will benefit those residents in your new housing development on Princess St, as well as the large population of immigrants, senior citizens and other vulnerable populations concentrated in this area. 10. Do you plan to house people in your facility that are struggling with addiction - will you have a zero tolerance policy at your new facility. I look forward to seeing these questions answered on your page.Thank you

- Hi there, I am a resident in this neighborhood.I request this site a drug free legally guaranteed property. My kids walk to school passing 309 Queen Mary Road. I walk to school to St Lawrence College passing 309 Queen Mary Road. My husband bikes to work passing 309 Queen Mary Road. Thanks.
- Respectfully I would like to suggest that the existing property at 309 Queen Mary Rd. could be used for a Much Needed care home for seniors with renovations made to the existing building. So many of the retirement homes are so highly priced and perhaps this could be a lower priced facility. It could also be used for the overflow of patients in hospitals which is also very much needed in the city of Kingston.Another suggestion would be a grocery store as there are many seniors and residents in this area who will miss the Basics store on Bath Rd. When it moves. Even if it was a smaller scale store it would be much appreciated. We have empathy for the homeless and addicts but feel The old Kingston Penitentiary would be a very good place and they would have a beautiful view and plenty of land. Also, what about the Kingston Memorial Centre for housing homeless. Yours sincerely,
- Dear Mayor and Council Members: I was born, raised, educated and taught high school in Kingston until I retired in 1917. I am widowed, my only sibling passed away over a year ago. My parents are deceased, and two of my three children are deceased. My only immediate family member lives hundreds of kms away. In other words I live ALONE with a mobility disability and have several other

medical issues. I FEAR for the future of my surroundings, the SAFETY of my home, my vehicle, and myself, the SECURITY of my environment and I am FRIGHTENED to be alone. I take the city bus (Bath Rd.) during the bad weather. I believe that this will not be an option for me due to FEAR, SECURITY and SAFETY. The new and improved Rideau Trail is like a dream come true for me. Finally I can take my walker and enjoy nature and be outside exercising. I believe that this will not be an option for me due to FEAR, SECURITY and SAFETY. My vehicle along with everyone's vehicles are parked outside. I worry about the SECURITY of our vehicles and our SAFETY walking to and from our building. Last summer my daughter who lives in downtown Toronto parked her vehicle in her outdoor parking area which is enclosed with a cast iron fence (expensive lot). Her vehicle's exterior was vandalized during the early morning hours. A sledge hammer, or baseball bat was probably used according to the Toronto police. Police said this was most likely done by Individuals with mental challenges, drug/alcohol addictions, or anger management issues who walk the streets of downtown Toronto every night and always carry protection of some kind. Repair cost \$7,500. Nothing was stolen, only exterior vandalism. She now parks underground. Nine years ago I was in Toronto parked several blocks from downtown visiting a friend. I was parked out front of her apartment building in a handicap space and the exterior and interior of my vehicle was vandalized. Cost of repairs \$9,600. The only thing stolen was a dollar lighter. The Toronto Police said basically the same thing. I live on the first level and the corner unit of my condo building, I worry about my SAFETY if someone tries or does break into my condo. Please Mayor and Council Members think of alternative ideas for extendicare. A beautiful park or sell to a developer and let them build an apartment building. Thank you.

- Dear Mayor, Councillors and City Staff, I remain highly skeptical of anything the city is putting out, and unless we have legally binding guarantees that 309 QMR will not be any form of ICH (sic), injection site or encampment, I consider their words absolute rubbish. A few quick things from your carefully crafted FAQs 1. Transitional housing doesn't USUALLY have consumption and treatment services....that means absolutely nothing! Basically what I hear is that 309 can and likely will have consumption and treatment services. 2. "AMHS still has a lease on property where the ICH is on Montreal Street and is not CURRENTLY planning on relocating". An outright deception! Is it not stated fact that the lease expires at the end of March and is NOT being renewed therefore the ICH must move? Does the City consider us completely naïve? 3. They give examples of 3 current transitional housing locations in Kingston. [REDCATED], with 19 spaces, [REDACTED] Street with 17 spaces and 494 Fieldstone with a whopping 8 spaces. So no examples with 150 spaces, or anything remotely close to that



number. You can't compare a facility with less than 20 people to a facility 7.5 X larger! Again, complete nonsense! 4. "Who will provide services at 309", it's again AMHS, the same organization currently running the disaster at the ICH on Montreal street (sic) and who's services INCLUDE the injection site. "Assisting individuals to access needed supports and services, while collaborating with local service providers, community organization, as well as property and business owners, to cultivate a safe, welcoming, and supportive community that considers the complex needs of all those involved. To engage with individuals who may be experiencing homelessness, addiction, or mental health difficulties". Collaborate – Integrate, pretty interchangeable, this all sounds like a round about way of saying Integrated Care Hub (sic) and Consumption services. The vague answers, completely non comparable examples and blatant lies put out in the City's FAQs make me all the more convinced that the City's actual intent for 309 is in fact a Consumption/injection site, and a carbon copy of the current ICH (sic), with a new address. 150 rooms and 3 acres of property is the perfect fit for the ICH (sic), whose lease ends in next month, simply relocate and continue this disaster on our front doorstep. A freshly paved trail directly behind our properties, which includes FIRE HYDRANTS, perfect for extinguishing fires in the newly formed encampment, just adds to my assurance of the actual plan. The writing is on the wall and our communities are reading through your rhetoric. One final point, why not allow the public to leave comments after these FAQs, no option for us to reply to the vague misleading answers Hello, As someone in the community that has worked directly with the people in this situations and also for the CMHA that was previously removed from our city and the people. I highly agree that this is needed to help make a better tomorrow for people that have fallen through the cracks. We understand as a community that one person cannot make a huge difference, but together as a whole we can move mountains. I know this as I have seen it first hand. This location already has so much potential for a community to thrive. So much purpose within its walls. Thanks for your time and patience today. I bless whoever decided to move forward with this and help the community where it's lacking in love and care. Thank you are putting out?

- Dear [REDCATED]: Your real estate deal on behalf of the City to buy the 150-bed facility at 309 Queen Mary Rd (QMR) and convert it into "transitional supportive housing" will have severe negative consequences for the neighbourhoods and residential buildings in the immediate vicinity of the property. Have you asked yourselves if you would feel comfortable living a few hundred meters away from such a place? We are greatly concerned about our personal safety and security because of the inevitable foot traffic through our streets by individuals walking towards the housing and care facility who may be under the influence of narcotics, opioids or other substances. Many of us have children or teenagers

who walk to school every day or who play in the parks and green spaces in the same block as 309 QMR. There are also a significant number of Senior citizens who live in apartment buildings nearby who are distressed about the plans for 309 QMR because they are more vulnerable than other adults if they find themselves in a threatening situation with a disturbed individual. You appear to be willfully ignoring the negative consequences of having such a facility next to thriving neighbourhoods populated by hard-working, tax-paying, citizens and their families. Such a situation should be seriously concerning to the citizens of all municipalities in Ontario and beyond. How can anyone justify the destruction of a large community of people to “save” another group of people? I am writing to request that the deal to buy 309 QMR be immediately cancelled. The City could instead buy land from the Federal Government next to the Collins Bay institution and build the facility it wants there. It will cost more money than buying 309 QMR but it will not destroy neighbourhoods.

- Place of worship Library Community centre Anything that will keep our community safe Since the announcement of the hub moving to Queen Mary Rd and Bath. Our entire world has been in Kaos. This will make us and many of our neighbors homeless. Bankrupt and no where to go. Please stop this experiment it doesn't work here , anywhere or the rest of canada. Use this area for more residential homes or
- Hello, I watched the mayor's Facebook message today about plans for 309 Queen Mary. I was very excited to learn that the city had been approached by a primary health partner. We urgently need family doctors and if the city creates the clinic and possible runs the day to day operations with some of the 1M funding allocated to attract new doctors, it will go a long way to encouraging family physicians to come to our city or for Queen's grads to stay here and practice. I am told the overhead of running a clinic is something many see as an unwelcome barrier. As for the transitional housing - you mention an older age group - but I was left with a lot of unanswered questions, such as, who would be running and managing this transitional housing? How do we know that there will be no mission creep to younger age groups that will not mix well with a senior neighbourhood and a penitentiary/halfway house nearby. Where are these new transitional tenants coming from? The hospital? Primarily I do not want to see unsupervised patients who have refused mental health treatments and been released from hospital and there must be a zero tolerance policy for substance use on site. The city must guarantee this in writing to local residents as part of any lease or contractual agreement to prevent mission creep. My oldest will be walking in front of extendicare to school starting next year and I want to know that they are secure and for our whole family using the trail behind extendicare for walks and bike rides. Thank you for your consideration and I sincerely hope

the primary care clinic option details can be disclosed soon. We made national headlines with our CDK line ups. Let's make the national headlines again with an innovative approach to attracting and retaining family doctors.' by offering them a clinic to practice in 1M could go a long way towards this. Regards

- Hello, i have a few questions was the surrounding neighbourhood consulted with before the vote took place? if not, why?the area was described as 'the perfect place' to have transitional housing, can someone explain what this means and why exactly it is perfect? I have lived in [address removed] for over ten years, we havent seen many changes in the area in this time, we even had to pay for gas lines which were not funded by the city. the path was just started to be revamped last year and we patiently waited while our building shook throughout the summer while the sewers were replaced. the path has not been equipped with lighting. Many of us here are condo owners and so we don't have the option of simply renting elsewhere, has the city considered the investments we have made into our homes and how this might affect it? many of us living here have been here a long time and have made it their home. we take pride in our homes and care about changes that may occur. some seniors including my parents have struggled finding adequate emergency care at the existing hospitals, will this plan include care for seniors or people with disabilities and make vital healthcare more accessible for all kingstonians or only a select group?
- I support the plan for increased transitional, supportive and affordable housing and think the location is sensible, with transit and easy access to a grocery store as well as healthcare zoning. However the devil is in the details and if we do not get this right, we risk eroding the community's tolerance for living with 'more and different people' (i.e., increased density). So I urge the City to continue to work closely with Lionhearts, Trellis (AMHS), and Home Base (sic) to ensure a design and roll out that meets the needs of the unhoused and precariously housed, while maintaining the support of the surrounding community who seem to be becoming increasingly nervous about this project. The latter I believe is due to the communication coming from the city. I assume it has to be vague at this point, but as a result it leaves much room for speculation, often of the worst-case type! The resulting fear of having large numbers of opiate addicts in one small area, may create significant resistance at the outset. I think some reassurance as soon as possible that the City will start small, will work with the relevant organizations to create community at the site, integrating people carefully, and that support staff will be there 24/7, might alleviate some of this initial resistance and make space for more useful community feedback. Thanks for the opportunity to feed into this process and much luck
- I believe it would not be a good idea. I don't believe that the city has properly thought through how this would impact the area.

- None
- Open minded to helping people who are unhoused
- Wonderful idea!
- I don't agree with this location being used.
- Please use generally meaningful terms rather than worthless planning buzz words that only serve to obfuscate the issues. This contemptible city is quite incapable of putting together a proper survey, most of which only serve to confirm whatever ill-stated preconceived notions it has.
- Finally a great idea for our homeless, drug dependant society. I'm all for the idea. No one in our great City needs more help than these individuals. It's a terrible situation for them to suffer from homelessness and drug dependency. Thank you for treating them with dignity.
- I love the idea, though obviously I want to see details.
- Well, duh! Consult the people who live in that area. People who don't live in the area shouldn't comment.
- I am very pleased that the city has made this acquisition. This type of housing is important, and this facility seems ideal for this purpose in many ways. I don't live in the neighbourhood, and so I'm aware that it is easy for me to be supportive because I won't have to live with any negative community impacts. I hope that the city carefully thinks about those potential impacts, listens to local residents, and plans accordingly. It does seem to me that this is too good an opportunity to miss.
- 309 Queen Mary road is adjacent to many well established family communities as well as some high population density areas. It is at the entrance of the Rideau trail and adjacent to many heavily used parks and forest areas. These parks and forests are currently clean and safe for local seniors and children to use. I'm very worried about the SIGNIFICANT impact on local communities a large experimental transitional housing complex will have. Housing this large amount of underhoused individuals in one location will have significant impact on the local parks, trail systems, adjacent apartment complexes and condo buildings and polson park elementary school. I live in [REDACTED] adjacent to extendicare. there is only forest and trails between my house and the property. If this becomes a transitional housing unit, who is going to ensure these forests don't become campgrounds? Who is going to sweep the forests for needles so our kids can still play? Housing 100 people in one location as an experiment is truly a terrifying idea. What mitigation strategies will the city put in place to ensure the forests, trail systems continue to be safe and usable for children and seniors? How will the city ensure these areas remain clean? That underhoused individuals don't set up an encampment in the forest? I fear the city has underestimated what this will do to the local families that have been living here

for years. I'm deeply disappointed in this decision that was made with zero community engagement and hope it's not too late to be rectified. The extendicare property was meant to be used as a nursing home, I think it would be short sighted not to continue using it for this purpose. Baby boomers are wondering their 80s,90s and many are going to reach >100 years old and many of them are going to need seniors Housing. Extendicare is already perfectly set up to provide these services and would require very little additional capital input to start housing seniors in need today.

- There has been an argument that the resistance to the proposed project is nimbyism. However residents in this area don't have backyards. The forest and trail is their space for recreation. With the large numbers of condos and apartments buildings there is scarcely an area of Kingston where loss of safe parkland and trails would have a higher impact on the immediate neighbours. My greatest fear of this project moving forward is that the problems in belle park (sic) will be brought over to our beautiful parkland. The city has recently renovated the Rideau trail and invested significant capital into making it more accessible and functional. I have not seen anything in any city proposal that addresses anything beyond the extendicare property. How will the city ensure the parklands remain usable for seniors and children? Has this even been considered in the city's future planning? 100 beds would by far be the largest shelter and hub for under housed kingstonians in the city. Historically the city moved shelters and had smaller spaces to « ensure that the city is not congregating too many services to the vulnerable population in the same area»[Redacted] what has changed that it is now acceptable to oversaturate an area well designed for families and seniors?
- Thank you for pointing out in the faq that this is not planned for a safe injection site. With the scale and size of the proposed project this is a major concern regarding safety in the neighbourhood with access to so much parkland from the facility. We are requesting that this be put into bylaw so we can have a firm plan that these services are not planned for the area.
- Hospital infrastructure is limited and will be insufficient to support our aging population until new facilities are built. I suggest engagement with teams from KHSC and programs such as transitional care and khsc at home. A large facility (50-100) beds with healthcare focus could be instrumental in improving delivery of healthcare to all in our region. Including offloading medicine h it's and hospital admitted patients from the emergency department, thus improving access to care and emergency department wait times. With focus on health care additional services such as home care or walk in could also be planned for the property these are in dire need in Kingston.

- As baby boomers age low income seniors will become at increasing risk of homelessness. A large facility could continue to operate as a seniors facility with a focus on seniors no longer able to live independently with a focus on financial need.
- Some ideas for the property use that would likely satisfy all involved in the neighbourhood, would provide an enormous service to our community with a focus on health and people at risk of homelessness, or medically fragile individuals. Low income seniors housing, transitional housing for medically fragile patients ie. recent discharges from hospital to help offload inpatient units and emergency departments, new family doctors or nurse practitioner offices (our city is +++ desperate for these, along with walk in clinics for unregistered patients), home care services, respite care.
- Thank you for engaging with the community. As in your FAQ we request that you add a bylaw that excludes the use of this space for needle exchange or as a transient short term shelter. Thank you!
- I think this type of housing and programming should be located closer to the ICU so services and support can be centralized. This also limits not having multiple low end properties and crime spread about Kingston. I know that sounds harsh but fixing the problem not the symptoms is critical. Making next to free housing and support will only attract users from other municipalities. It's a slippery slope and reversing these decisions is far more complicated.
- I think it's great that the city will be providing more supports to people who really need it. It saddens me that there are those who oppose this, and I hope Kingston will nonetheless come together to support this project and our most vulnerable community members.
- This is an important-and misunderstood initiative. Every large city in Canada has to endure this sort of opposition at the beginning. I wish you luck.
- If the Care-hub location on Montreal Street (sic) is any indicator the Queen Mary site will be a detriment to the local community. The perception alone with the unkempt spaces surrounding the hub will be devastating for the local adjoining subdivisions. The services are required but the management of the space and the apparent "free for all" appearance alone cause concern. I couldn't imagine being a local business or a nearby property owner/tenant. The increase in calls for service for the emergency services, especially police will impact this current quiet neighbourhood. Thefts and other petty crime will increase as well. I would not support the location unless the management can and will impose strict rules and regulations for the users and the property standards.
- I think there is a need for this in the community and the former Extendicare facility would appear to meet much of the necessary criteria. This is a far better option than portable sleeping huts. I am concerned about the supervision and

monitoring of the site as transitional housing. I would not want to see this site develop anything like the ICH (sic) which is nothing but a problem to the neighbourhood in which it is situated. If it is for real, long term living arrangements and does not turn into a revolving door of problems, then I could see a way to support it. I would like to know more about the criteria for candidates, the services to be provided, the length of stay, rules for residency, and how much supervision is to be present on site. My expectation would be 24 hour supervision. I don't believe that the City has done much to resolve the issues at the ICH (sic) for its neighbourhood, so I am suspect of this proposal and hope many questions are answered before moving forward. The sleeping huts, based on City data, were not a highly successful transition to real housing. So what is the criteria for success here? As a taxpayer, I would like to know how our support of this will be monitored and success judged BEFORE we start this project.

- I am happy to hear that the City has purchased this property. I believe it is an excellent type of building to help support people who are having trouble finding suitable housing. To have supports on site certainly is a positive feature.
- I think that communication was done poorly about the purchase of this property. Completely understanding that there needs to be closed meetings, etc, regarding the actual real estate deal, there should have been a better thought out process of communicating exactly what the facility was going to be used for (i.e. not a replacement for the ICH (sic)).
- I believe that supportive and transitional housing is necessary and important however, I believe that given the location of the proposed site, which is close to a public school, family housing, and a public recreation path, the transitional housing in this location should be provided to tenants who do not have substance abuse or criminal issues. It should also be enforced that the public recreation path does not become an area for those being served in the transitional housing to loiter, as this would make it no longer assessable to the public. Thank you.
- At this point I would like to take the survey.
- This sounds really good, and something Kingston desperately needs! I hope most of the consultation being done will be with those using the facilities and not with the neighbours.
- From what I can tell this is a pretty good location for such a facility, and is something we desperately need more of in the city. I do hope that in the public engagement the emphasis is put up consulting the population that will be served.
- This project is a waste of taxpayer money as it does nothing to solve the underlying problems, Dishonest landlords (or slumlords) in this city are driving homelessness by engaging in fraudulent evictions to evade compliance with rent control. One common scam is to throw long-term tenants into the streets by

claiming to need the unit to house a family member (N12); once the unit is vacant, it is then immediately relisted for rent or sale at inflated prices - with apparently no consequences to the fraudulent landlord. The other common scam is renoviction (N13), a fraud in which the slumlord applies for a city building permit to rip out everything - walls, floors, doors, windows, cabinetry, wiring, plumbing - in order to render a unit uninhabitable. The proposed work may or may not ever be completed; the only one thing which is certain is that the landlord will not ever meet the legal obligation to put the original tenant back in the unit at the original rent-controlled price when the supposed renovations are complete. This is fraud, but the penalties at the Landlord and Tenant Board are de minimis, rarely imposed, even more rarely paid and simply a cost of doing business. The amount a landlord can bleed from this community by overcharging tenants more than pays for the cost of breaking the law, usually over a short time frame (like a year when the harm caused can continue for decades). By giving these [REDACTED] building permits no-questions-asked, the City has made itself an accomplice. Hamilton has an effective bylaw to curb the abuses, which it modelled on one from New Westminster BC. Anyone applying for a building permit for unnecessary renovations that make an occupied rent-controlled tenement unlivable immediately gets a visit and a full inspection. The City has even added additional property standards officers to handle this workload. The City oversight continues throughout the supposed renovation right until the original tenant has been reimbursed moving costs, provided with alternate accommodation during the construction and finally moved back at the rent-controlled price. London ON is considering implementing similar measures. The City of Kingston needs to adopt these measures and additional measures which go beyond what Hamilton and the others are doing. Among these measures should be the provision of effective legal counsel to tenants being targetted for bad-faith or wrongful eviction. Legal Aid has an arbitrary income cutoff of \$18k and most private counsel do not see representing wrongfully-evicted or homeless persons to be profitable as a business model. The LTB being little more than a kangaroo court isn't helping. Endlessly building more homeless shelters, while refusing to deal with the root causes of the problem, solves nothing. Take the Hamilton bylaw, adopt it verbatim, hire as many inspectors as you need and move to rein in Kingston's slumlords and maybe you can take a bite out of this scam.

- Upon hearing the pushback from residents in the vicinity of the location on the news, I felt compelled to share my support for the city's approach. I support the city's approach to provide a facility for those in our community who need such transitional help in their lives to bring them out of a difficult position. Such an approach is proactive, forward-thinking, and compassionate to the Kingstonians



that need such services. Such services which aid the city and broader population as a whole has a greater benefit over the opinions of residents within a few hundred metres of the location.

- I live downtown, I see the effects of homelessness, I help them when possible, I regularly donate to charities that support homelessness
- Will this be like the other shelters/ "transitional housing " like [REDACTED] , Adelaide shelter. Those areas receive a high rate of police response as unwelcome parties attend the area frequently. What is to stop this from happening at 309 Queen St ? Are the staff trained and able to deal with mental health crisis, are they able to deescalate other than just sending them into the community unattended ?
- Concerned about security and the creation of another tent city outside of Extencare? How will this be policed? Do not agree with giving out drugs there S one never knows when violence will occur.
- We remain concerned about the potential that this facility, over time, could be used to provide services for Kingston's most unstable, addicted, unhoused population and will result in an accumulation of garbage, camping on the property, vandalism to infrastructure, prostitution and open drug use in the vicinity, and increased thefts, harassment and violence for the neighbourhood that plays out across Canada when a social services point opens for this population. Proper care models and adequate staffing levels are essential if this facility is to provide services to a vulnerable population without the unintended social consequences spilling into the surrounding area - as is seen with the ICH - and with large shelter facilities (100 beds is significantly larger than ANY existing site in Kingston or the region) in cities like Toronto or Ottawa. This area already supports many group homes, low income residents, newcomers, seniors, thousands of students, and the new centre for Homeless Veterans will soon be open in the vicinity. It is also on the verge of becoming a food desert when the Food Basics closes. We already experience people living rough along the Rideau Trail, and previously behind Polson Park school and even in a scrubby area behind Homestead buildings on Queen Mary - that included a backyard on [REDACTED]. We think that a facility that is focused on longer term solutions for vulnerable people with high needs - supported care or even assisted living - can work, and we can all exist peacefully. We would be supportive of that kind of model. We understand that there is significant need in the community - we see many unhoused persons who appear to really need long term assisted care - THAT we support. I think the sleeping cabins have provided a better situation for some higher medical needs people - that kind of supportive living needs a home. We remain concerned, however, that over time, the crisis on our streets will grow - because government policy makers don't seem to have any idea as to how to

make it shrink - and there will be a need to offer more services to the most vulnerable people. Kingston may have no choice 3 years from now but to offer up Extencicare as yet another chaotic magnet for substance use, violence, and encampment and all of the chaos that spills over from that, as the neighbourhood around the ICH (sic) has had to endure. The City has lost Belle Park (sic) and a section of the K&P trail to absolute desperation and chaos. These people live in utter destitution and despair - mostly due to gaps in provincial social and mental health services. But it is the City that bears the consequences - including every taxpayer who contributes funds to support the management of every aspect of that chaos. Please do not spread that chaos to the Queen Mary Extencicare site.

- No feedback other than this is a great initiative and I hope a vocal minority of people opposing it don't dominate the conversation.
- This 309 Queen Mary Road location is not suitable for any type of social support or housing. I have a committed and personal interest in the safety of the nearby woods and vast green space, which are currently enjoyed by many walkers, including myself. The concern is based on the historical uncontrolled encampments by the homeless and/or their family and friends. And, with encampments comes fires, trees damaged for wood, used needles, drug overdoses, belligerent individuals, etc. I welcome you to take a look around the city in areas where there is a substantial forest, such as on the east side of Centennial Drive, immediately south of VIA Rail. While this is a public green space, it houses homeless campers that have on occasion come running out of the woods, high on something, screaming and scaring me to the point that I don't feel comfortable walking there anymore. It is shameful that an isolated group has this kind of control over my enjoyment of the outdoors. So, now the city wants to scare me from another public space that I enjoy, the trail from Bath Road to Princess Street (sic). The type of care that these vulnerable people need is not something to integrate with such a widely used public space. Please, don't do this as it WILL be another encampment. I look at the inaccessible and damaged Belle Park (sic) and the Integrated Hub area (sic), and how the city and police haven't been able to control the homeless or addictive people once they take over. Trees cut down, fires (to cook on or keep warm), lots of thefts to support their drug habits, high or overdosed individuals scaring people from the area and so much more. While the city does boost the usage of three (3) plus acreage at Extencicare, it is going to be filled with uncontrolled tents in no time and nothing will be able to be done about it. The history of this city's inability to take control over encampments is my resource for concern. If the spread of homelessness can't be contained and controlled at Belle Park (sic) and the Integrated Hub (sic), why would my community not fight this supposed project for all it's worth! The answer is: we will fight until it is stopped. Thank you for your time.

- Measures need to be taken to ensure no violence or used needles gather in the area. Also monitoring of the areas so as not to have violence that occurred surrounding the hub on Montreal St. (sic) Doesn't occur at Queen Mary Road site!
- Thank you for this 2nd invitation to comment. My concerns have not waned whatsoever so I shall reiterate my original February 18th submitted comments, since you're asking for my feedback again. This 309 Queen Mary Road location is not suitable for any type of supportive or transitional housing. I have a committed and personal interest in the safety of the nearby woods and vast green space, which are currently enjoyed by many walkers, including myself. The concern is based on the historical uncontrolled encampments by the homeless and/or their family and friends. And, with encampments comes fires, trees damaged for wood, used needles, drug overdoses, belligerent individuals, etc. I welcome you to take a look around the city in areas where there is a substantial forest, such as on the east side of Centennial Drive, immediately south of VIA Rail. While this is a public green space, it houses homeless campers that have on occasion come running out of the woods, high on something, screaming and scaring me to the point that I don't feel comfortable walking there anymore. It is shameful that an isolated group has this kind of control over my enjoyment of the outdoors. So, now the city wants to scare me from another public space that I enjoy, the trail from Bath Road to Princess Street. The type of care that these vulnerable people need is not something to integrate with such a widely used public space. Please, don't do this as it WILL be another encampment. I look at the inaccessible and damaged Belle Park (sic) and the Integrated Hub (sic) area, and how the city and police haven't been able to control the homeless or addictive people once they take over. Trees cut down, fires (to cook on or keep warm), lots of thefts to support their drug habits, high or overdosed individuals scaring people from the area and so much more. While the city does boast the usage of three (3) plus acreage at Extencicare, it is going to be filled with uncontrolled tents in no time and nothing will be able to be done about it. The history of this city's inability to take control over encampments is my resource for concern. If the spread of homelessness can't be contained and controlled at Belle Park (sic) and the Integrated Hub (sic), why would my community not fight this supposed project for all it's worth! The answer is: we will fight until it is stopped. Thank you again for your time.
- I am in favour of supportive housing at that site.
- I think it's a wonderful idea. It is already built designed to provide health care services and would have bathing facilities and cooking facilities (I am assuming). I live not far from it and although I hear people voicing concerns about garbage, violence and crime, dangers to nearby schools I think this is a great idea.

- Excellent idea! The facility seems ideal for purpose, is close to buses and supermarkets yet is relatively secluded from neighbours such that it will likely not affect them to any significant extent,
- I live directly behind the [REDACTED] building where cabins for the homeless have been placed for the past three winters. They have been absolutely zero trouble to the neighborhood. I encourage City staff to use this excellent example and use the Extendicare property for transitional housing. It is ideal. Further, I encourage the City to continue the cabin program and locate cabins in Portsmouth each winter.
- We have an access to health care crisis in Kingston. If we fail to increase availability of health care, we are creating huge problems for the health of those in our City. Housing is, without question, a need. However, access to health care for all Kingstonians is even more necessary. This need crosses the whole spectrum of those living in Kingston. The best use for 309 Queen Mary is a new health care facility with supporting clinics.
- The community needs such a facility and the property seems like a reasonable choice. But please ensure that we do not see a repeat of the problems experienced at the ICH on Montreal Street (sic). If we see those problems recurring at this new site, community support will evaporate.
- I think that if this is a transitional facility, then 24/hour, 7 day/week services should also be on site. I also do worry about any relationship to the Integrated Care Hub, which could lead to this Queen Mary site becoming a place of drug use, which would be of concern for the local community. There are lovely trails near the facility, and we would not want a natural place that serves many people in the city to become a place of drug use.
- This isn't a case of "not in my backyard". My "backyard" already has a prison, a halfway house, low income housing, a youth home.... For me, this is a case of complete lack of faith in the city being able to maintain property standards, safety of residents and their belongings, and ensure that our green spaces remain accessible to all residents without fear of the hazards of waste, needles, and human waste. With minutes of 309 Queen Mary Road we have an elementary school and a youth recreation centre. It is on a direct path between our neighborhoods, where children and families walk and play each day, and these buildings. Before moving forward I ask that the City to consult and communicate openly with the community who has made this neighborhood their home. I would ask that we see a list of all possible and permitted uses under the zoning bylaw and official plan designation so we can learn about what is possible and be given the opportunity to provide our opinion/feedback on all possible options. We need to be consulted about expectations and responsibilities regarding things we hold important in our community. Things like personal safety, debris and junk

accumulation, dangerous camps and camp fires, threatening behaviour in the neighborhoods, assurances of stability property standards and prices. We see the damage done to the area surrounding the Integrated Care Hub and are afraid. We also need to have legally binding assurances that changes to any approved plan not be considered at a later date in the form of zoning bylaws for land use, enforced property standards for ongoing property maintenance and standards within a very limited permitted use of the land. We all agree that social supports for our vulnerable populations are important and much needed, but open communication and partnership with the neighborhood and community will be instrumental in their successes.

- I think it's a good idea and a much needed service in the city but as I am a resident of the neighbourhood I do have concerns about the surrounding areas, nearby parks and schools, and feel like more information about how the facility will be run and the process of choosing the residents will be done.
- I think it's a good use of the property. If it's helping those in need, then why shouldn't the property be used?
- I am a resident of [REDACTED] and am very concerned about the misinformation that is circulating in my neighbourhood, including two anonymous flyers left in mailboxes over the weekend. There is a lot of education that will have to happen around what supportive and transitional housing is and what it is not, as people believe it will be another ICH (sic) despite your news release. I think Extendicare is a great site for SOMETHING and applaud the decision to purchase it. I look forward to the engagement, though I fear people have already made up their minds.
- Concerns about how this will impact surrounding neighborhoods
- I'm supportive of this location as transitional housing, but I'd like more information about the criteria for choosing people who stay there. I'm glad the HUB will not be relocating there, but as the path leading to the woods in the Grenville Park area are directly behind the facility, is there any plan in place to monitor the area so that it doesn't become another tent city like Belle Island?
- I think that it's important to approach this carefully. I would love to see new ways of creating safe housing for those in need. I do think, generally speaking, it's a property with a lot of potential. However, adequate support needs to be in place to ensure that the standard concerns following the homeless population (drugs, delinquency, theft, encampments, trash, etc) are entirely mitigated. There are several family dwellings and schools in the immediate area, all accessible by foot, and this needs to be "protected" somehow (though that's not quite the right word). I don't want this to sound like NIMBY or that we don't care - we do. This is a deeply vulnerable population who need care and support (physically, emotionally, socially, financially, possibly medically) and we need to ensure that

there is no undue hardship on those who live, work, play, and learn in the surrounding communities. I'm not sure what the way forward is but it is probably an intense co-creation that continues as time unfolds and we all see how this works out. I would expect that the City and all relevant partners (supporting agencies, etc) are learning from other community experiments and experiences across Ontario and Canada, as well as potentially internationally. Dialogue needs to be continuous and information must be shared openly and transparently (as there is already considerable mistrust due to the lack of transparency around the purchase, for reasons reported in the local media). This is a very important project. It would be wonderful if it were successful (the metrics of which need to be determined and aligned on). It's multi-faceted and complex. I hope everyone brings their A game and best people forward.

- I have seen a flyer produced by concerned neighbours of 309 Queen Mary Rd; suggesting that the site would resemble the area surrounding the Integrated Care Hub. The answers to the FAQs suggest that the intended model for 309 Queen Mary Rd is different from that of the ICH which in some ways mitigates the objections from concerned area residents. But there could still be reasons for concern. Some of the clientele of the TCH have set up camp on the ICH property and neighbouring park land. This should not occur at 309 Queen Mary Rd if it is used exclusively for affordable, transitional, and supportive housing with access to the property restricted to residents and staff. The issue becomes more complex if the uses of 309 Queen Mary Rd expand to include drop-in services. Will clients be permitted to gather there in significant numbers? Will they be allowed to remain on the property for extended periods of time, including possibly overnight? If the answers to these questions are yes then there is the potential for the situation around the ICH to be duplicated. I suggest the city needs to assure area residents that clients visiting 309 Queen Mary Rd for any services beyond those of affordable, transitional, and supportive housing will not be permitted to linger there for extended periods. An email message from the city (Get Involved Kingston: 309 Queen Mary Road, Victoria Street upgrades, 15/03/2023) contained the following statement: “the City of Kingston is exploring the feasibility of locating health care services, including a primary health care clinic, at 309 Queen Mary Road”
- As one of the thousands of Kingston residents without a doctor to provide primary health care I initially greeted this announcement with enthusiasm. But, upon reading the additional details provided on the linked webpage it appears that the proposed clinic will be for the residents of the transitional housing. If the city wishes to have those who live in the area surrounding 309 Queen Mary Road welcome the proposed changes it would be advisable to have the new centre

provide potential benefit to all by establishing a primary health care clinic open to all those without such services.

- I live in the neighbourhood and would like to see the idea of providing housing for those who are experiencing homelessness at this site to be further explored. With the right combination of social services which could be provided to those needing help, I think we must at least try to help. For those who believe this project would make the neighbourhood unsafe, there is already crime happening from Bath & Queen Mary all the way south down Johnson to downtown. The police are often around and for the most part, do a good job keeping the peace. Is it so hard to believe that if people are provided with a room to sleep, a place to use a toilet & have a shower, and food, that the incentive to break the law in order to survive is removed?
- Given my personal experience of how the temporary ICH affected the surrounding neighborhood when it was situated at artillery park, I have concerns about the location of services and transitional beds to Extendicare.
- Received flyer from some lady canvassing the area. After reading the official City emails, this flyer is misleading by implying that the site will be used for ICH (sic)
- I probably do not understand the question. My only source of information has been what you send me.
- Such housing facilities are certainly needed in Kingston. They should be well managed (24 hr/day) with appropriate compassionate tailored care for those with mental and or addictive difficulties. And supportive for families and individuals new to Canada and Kingston.
- I would request legal commitment from the city that the facility be properly supported and designated only as housing and not to transition at some future time into an integrated care hub. Such a hub would be more properly located in conjunction with an existing healthcare facility and in a mixed use zone. My understanding is that we are in a residential zoned neighbourhood.
- Our communal property contains woods and terrain which in the past have been frequented by drug users who have left needles on the grounds. The volunteer group which monitors such use has in the past been helpful in removing these objects. It would be unfortunate if such activity were to increase as a result of a transitional housing facility being set up next door. There are a number of families with young children in our community.
- I am not against such a facility - I don't share the Not in my Backyard mentality, but I have some concerns, especially regarding the adjacent green space which my family uses frequently. It would be very sad if it turned into a tent city with all its inherent problems, such as fire (un)safety, garbage etc. The area is very foresty and it's not easily visible what's ahead of you, and not used as much as other

parks which does make one feel less safe even now, especially if I walk on my own.

- But we need such a facility and if this building is a good fit, then I'm not against it.
- I need to know that my community is not at risk from drug dealing, violence, break-ins and personal or property damage due to the outflow of transitionally housed residents. I have been here in [REDCATED] since 1961, and ended up buying my parent's home so I have a long history of knowing and valuing the peace and safety of this neighbourhood - which is my major reason for staying here.
- I live in the area and I am sure it will be fine
- I have heard that there is (was?) an agreement in place with previous owner of the property to have the right of first refusal on the property. Is this an unseen problem that should be addressed before the project is started?
- I for one see this is an great opportunity to finally support some of the most vulnerable people in our community
- Not sure
- I am concreded it could create more theft and drugs in the area. There are many young children and if these individuals are involved in drug use that is very concerning to me and my family.
- Main concern is to protect the woods close by in Grenville Park from vandalism/ destruction.
- Happy that the city is taking steps to provide options to those in need. Looking forward to seeing how it turns out.
- As much as I support housing for vulnerable people in Kingston, I have the following concerns in regard to this location: As I have been living in this area for 20 years, I know the location and its surroundings well. I agree that the structure of the building and property lends itself to a supportive housing project. But I think it would be very dangerous for the wider city if it were to become a facility where people who frequently use drugs would be treated or housed. Adjacent to the property is Conservation land and a part the Rideau Trail which has recently been restored to make it more accessible to bikers and walkers. It is to be expected that a drug treatment facility would attract a lot of people who would likely use drugs and camp out in the large woodland areas surrounding the trail. Over the years, there have been more and more people in tents found in the woods living in tents. They often hide in inaccessible locations, make fires, cut down trees and leave a lot of garbage when they move on. Firefighters have had to be called numerous times to squash smaller fires that had luckily been spotted by residents in time. With drier conditions in the coming summers, the whole area could easily be ignited and burned down if there would be more people hanging out in the woods. Since this area with dense bushes and trees is so difficult to



access, it serves as a refuge to animals and a green lung to the city. It also serves commuters who chose environmentally friendly ways of going to work like biking and walking. It also serves many families who spend time there with children and dogs. Already, it has been a concern of people using drugs and threatening walkers in recent years, but for now the peaceful users of the Conservation land have kept it "safe enough". But I think that balance would quickly tip if this becomes a hang out space for illicit drug users, at which point the area would likely be avoided by most Kingstonians which the would make it a hot spot for criminal activities and a huge fire hazard. And a fire that gets out of control in these woods would be very harmful for the rest of Kingston. I therefore propose to use the building for vulnerable people without a current drug problem, for example older adults or women with children who are homeless. Thank you for listening! [REDACTED]

- Great idea. Great to see the city taking tangible steps to help the homeless and vulnerable citizens of the city.
- Why was this so secretive? Why was there no consultation with the public before making this decision? Given the secrecy to this point, how can the city assure local citizens that their concerns are being considered and addressed? Who will be running this? How will it be different than the ICH and Belle Park? Will the city explain in detail what it plans to do here?
- This is not the right location for this project.
- We need to help the most vulnerable people in our community, and quickly. This is a good decision to purchase this facility and turn it into supportive and transitional housing.
- Go for it ! But make sure you have all opf the ducks lined up > MENTAL HEALTH ,ADICTIONS AND COUNCELLING all ready to go.
- Think it would be an excellent use of the property
- I support the city in these efforts and don't understand the NIMBY attitude. But to be fair, looking at the Montreal street hub (sic) and the disgusting amount of trash around Belle Park is discouraging. At least have garbage pickup!
- I hear of a lot of negativity from residents in the area . " NIMBY ". I feel the city should proceed with this plan. Something / more needs to be done to help these struggling citizens.
- I think its a great idea if security is paramount
- Courtyard style housing with rear or side parking .this U shaped design encourages community
- I support the development of a transitional housing and social support hub at this site. This is despite having reservations/concerns: my children go to school at [REDACTED] and I have multiple seniors in my extended family who reside

within 200m of the site. This City using desperate need of assistance for those who require economic or healthcare support.

- I think the city buying Extend-a-care without the residents of Queen Mary Rd being told about it or what they planned to do with it till after they had bought it was wrong, Queen Mary Rd is a good and nice neighborhood having a homeless shelter at 309 Queen Mary would destroy that by bringing the problems the homeless in a shelter would bring such as increased crime, increased drug activity etc. This is not a good thing for Queen Mary Rd, I live [REDACTED] across the road from 309 Queen Mary and I don't want a homeless shelter here.
- Great idea but I don't live nearby. Overcoming nimby will be a challenge but you already know that.
- I THINK THE LOCATION IS WRONG; NOT CENTRAL ENOUGH- DISTANCE FROM ECONOMICAL GROCERY STORES; PHARMACIES ; BUS PASSES ARE NOT ENOUGH: APPARENTLY NO PLANS FOR SUPPORT SERVICES NEARBY; NEAR COMMUNITY WALKWAY.. ? ANOTHER BELLE PARK
- This area is sensitive to change. The Extendicare operations have been benign during the 30 years I have been connected to this area. The dynamic of this proposal is not well understood, however it seems to lend itself to promoting more of the free wheeling inhabitants that frequent this area along the connected pathways to the north. My real concern is the area's conservation in its most natural setting where debris and safety are concerns already. I am hopeful all parties will be monitored and self monitor respectfully.
- Good idea. Would house a fair amount of people. Ignore the people who don't want it here. I live near the Montréal St hub (sic) and feel that housing people all over Kingston is a good idea.
- I would like to be a participant in any community sessions. I live in the neighbourhood and I am keen on the potential use of the Extendicare property.
- A recent municipal announcement about the city's purchase of 309 Queen Mary Road (QMR) stated "this property is not intended to be the location for the existing Integrated Care Hub". That is good news, but only addresses one of my concerns for my neighbourhood. Full disclosure, I own and live in a condo at [REDACTED] – across the road from the Extendicare facility. My other concerns are 1) The facility being used as a potential safe injection site and the risks that would mean for the neighbourhood (e.g. discarded needles etc.). 2) Another "hub" encampment in the adjacent green spaces and the fallout that will mean for the neighbourhood (e.g. increased break ins, thefts, vandalism etc.). These acts increased during and post pandemic. This coupled with the city's difficulty in controlling or dispersing encampments anywhere in the city. 3) The size of the transitional housing at 309 QMR (100+ beds) versus other transitional housing sites in the city – 309 QMR will be up to an order of magnitude in size. Will this

create new problems? Has the city investigated this and have a mitigation plan? In case you assume I am a NIMBY. I support assisting people who need help. This facility would be good for people without addition issues and need a helping hand due to personal financial issues or people with mental health issues who are on their meds and stay on their meds.

- Wonderful idea. The city should explore ways to make use of more vacant/underutilized properties close to amenities and transit to help improve access to housing and support services.
- There are nature trails right at the end of the road. What will be done to ensure the safety of residents that frequent those trails and to prevent individuals from setting up tents and it become another encampment?
- Given the wooded area behind 309 Queen Mary Road, what guarantees will there be that the area will not become another tent area? Has consideration be given to the impact on young people when they have to witness the behaviour that we have witnessed in past years? Given what we have witnessed about behaviours over the last few years, what thought has been given about the dangers of a busy Bath Road? Why has the City not considered transitional housing in a more remote area - not a residential area? While we, as a community, have great empathy for those needing help, what transitional housing guidelines are being established? How are these guidelines different from previous guidelines? As well, what does a supportive facility actually mean and how does it differ from previous supports? While I do not live close to 309 Queen Mary Road, how will the nearby residents be assured that this housing facility will not impact their lives?
- Appreciate the cities desire to provide housing for the homeless community but warehousing large numbers of individuals with a profound differences of needs is shortsighted and doomed to fail. The tiny home project that the city has decided to NOT continue funding offered individuals privacy, independence and a sense of ownership that I doubt will be available when having to coexist under one roof. There are so many varied needs, social skills, mental health issues and personalities that placing this mix could be detrimental to others well being. I feel that warehousing or kennelling people in shared accomodations can create risky situations for the residents. Speak to staff and people who frequent shelters...my other concern is who gets a shot? Who determines who gets a spot? I have heard many testimonies of people who use shelters being refused, being turned away or banned because of behaviours or personality conflicts with staff or others in shelters...so who makes the rules, who enforces them and what happens to those who lack the interpersonal skills? Very shortsighted trying to put too many people under one roof for the cities convience/

- Like that it is going to house older population would like to see it include physically disabled as well
- I think the city needs to be more transparent and provide clearer, honest communication with all property owners and residents in the area surrounding the address in question. As homeowners in the [REDACTED] neighbourhood, we have genuine concerns about this proposal, not only for our own property and family, but for the property owners and residents living directly in the vicinity of 309 Queen Mary. We frequently use the green space and trails adjacent to this property, with our children and dogs. Should this new project proceed as planned, we will no longer use that green space or trails. People living in the immediate area have valid concerns about their own safety and the safety of their properties. There are concerns about why that location would be selected, as the only grocery store and pharmacy within walking distance are closing and moving to the Riocan centre. There are no other facilities within walking distance of that address, other than the Subaru dealership and a vet clinic. The city needs to communicate how this location is going to be of benefit to the populations it plans to serve. There needs to be risk assessments and cost vs benefit analyses shared with all stakeholders, particularly folks living in the immediate area.
- We support supportive housing, but demand that laws and property standards be strictly enforced...abandoning neighbourhoods as has happened on Montreal St. is unacceptable.
- I am deeply worried about the fate of the area, especially since I've recently relocated from [REDACTED] and have a good understanding of the surroundings. Observing the current operation of the Integrated Care Hub, I fear the area may deteriorate into nothing more than a tent city. Given the significant presence of retired residents, immigrants, and children, the potential for increased garbage and drug-related issues is alarming. The ongoing complaints from residents of the integrated care hub, particularly regarding discarded needles, as evidenced in online reviews, further exacerbate these concerns. Considering the ample green spaces, there's a real risk of them transforming into hubs for drug use and makeshift shelters. It seems insufficient efforts are being made at the current integrated care hub to safeguard the well-being of the community. Exposing children to such environments is unacceptable. The likelihood of increased crime looms large, particularly with numerous parking lots where car break-ins could become rampant. The inadequate lighting, especially in Bayswater Place's (sic) parking lot, exacerbates these safety concerns. Additionally, there have been previous issues with individuals inhabiting the swamp area, making it a place of caution during walks, which is regrettable given its past appeal. Why are such facilities situated in residential neighborhoods, particularly those with lower-income demographics? If the intention is to help

people transition, why not place it just outside residential areas? If services are a priority, why select a location with limited amenities, such as only a Dollar Tree nearby? Wouldn't it make more sense to have the care hub situated near the police station for enhanced supervision and security? And why not near medical facilities if health services are a priority? These questions highlight the need for better decision-making in community planning and resource allocation.

- I do not support this and ask that the city reconsider. Please keep this away from resident neighborhoods. This impacts my personal safety and the value of my home.
- Not much! I am hoping that those who are listening and planning intend to assess what surrounds 309 QMR for about a 1/2 kn in all directions and do some thinking and imagining. Why here? What is out there that can be used? But then you need to know how it is going to be used. But the answers to the last two questions need to be found together. Finally, what in the area could be changed, encouraged to come in, to make the transitional housing work better?
- This is a much needed service for the west end.
- I think this is a great idea. I think the more diverse kinds of transitional housing offered (I.e. for families, for women fleeing DV, for low income seniors, etc.) The better as it will reduce nimbyism about homeless folks moving into the neighborhood and it will help more kinds of people experiencing homelessness or precarity who need support.
- I am concerned with the transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary Rd. With the trail and woods that are near there, I think people will leave the facility and create another tent city in the wooded area. With Food Basics moving this year there will not be a convenient or affordable grocery store within walking distance. The liquor store, however, is very handy and will have easy access. They will have access to a bus but can they afford a bus pass? How much will it cost to renovate? Will animals be allowed? will there be support for the people?
- It is my hope that if 309 Queen Mary Road is used as transitional housing that the residents live inside the building and not out in the elements in tents
- Thank you for engaging the public in this project. I am not sure what the term supportive and transitional means but I will use the following definition; 'Transitional housing may be suitable for individuals who are capable of becoming self-sufficient within a defined timeframe, while supportive housing is more appropriate for those who require ongoing support to maintain stable housing'. I would include seniors in this definition since the Kingston population is aging rapidly due to the Baby Boomer Cohort and we will need as much of this type of housing and care as we can build and as soon as possible. It should be geared toward people with a tight budget. The location is very good in that it has bus stops, walking trails and convenience stores and restaurants nearby. The

nearby park at the north side of the property can be blended with the housing project so that the public and the housing residents can have a place to intermingle. Maybe have allotments in the park so that housing residents and the public can plant approved plants and take care of them. This sounds like a great opportunity for addressing the shortage of affordable housing for seniors and their wellbeing.

- The facility must provide adequate secure storage sheds or lockers for the homeless clients where they can store their belongings while receiving care or while transitioning. The belongings could include carts and bicycles, wheel chairs, clothing, etc.
- Hoping to see community support continue after people have been accommodated in 309 Queen Mary Rd. I know this is a big request, but seeing so many homeless and helpless people in the mall and on the streets, I feel like we are missing something.
- This is a wonderful repurposing of the space, and opportunity to develop something really unique and purpose-driven, that can be used as a model for other such endeavours across Ontario. Every small practical detail will have to be considered with great care ... even things like ample storage space and pet accommodation for the residents.
- I think they should turn it into a homeless shelter
- The fact that the city closed shelters (im looking at you [REDACTED]) tried to implement ridiculous PIT counts and then have done nothing to curb the obscene landlord price gauging is hilarious and abysmal. Yall should be ashamed.
- I think that Kingston needs to do everything within its capacity to help house those who are vulnerable and provide them with access the services that they need in order to be successful in their lives. Whether is it counselling for substance use, transitional housing for those who are struggling to find long terms housing solutions, or other circumstances that people find themselves in. I'm over people blaming those in need for finding themselves in need of assistance.
- I live at [REDACTED] with my wife, 14 year old daughter, 15 year old niece, my sister-in-law, and our dog. The safety of my family is THE MOST IMPORTANT thing in my life. My home is my MOST IMPORTANT ASSET. If either of these two things are likely to be negatively impacted by turning 309 Queen Mary Rd into something similar to the ICH (whether it is different in name - eg. - transitional housing), I am 100% opposed. We have already seen an increase in "through traffic", garbage, shopping carts, and tents in and around the cat trail and the paths and woods associated with it. Everyone deserves a safe place to call home, stay warm, and be fed BUT I am unwilling to compromise the safety of my family or the value of my primary asset for this purpose. No family should be

asked to take in this burden/threat. An alternate site MUST be chosen. One where no Kingston residents are put at additional risk, and one where no Kingston residents have to sacrifice the value of their home. I understand this is a tall task, but it is the only acceptable solution. Thank you [REDACTED].

- Ensure it is adequately staffed and run well. The shelters are horrendous, reports by people using them the staff allow drugs inside, and even share drugs with the clients and they are not safe injection sites. Make the spaces private and give the residents a sense of ownership and pride in being there not just stacked out of the way. The other supportive housing behind the Goodway, people use there and individuals who were not drug users are exposed and then become addicted. The harm reduction is not always the best plan. Reach out to community groups like AA and NA and have alternatives for those who want to quit using and have a better life. Individuals who need mental health care should be able to easily access it on this location. For best results keep Lion Hearts (sic) out of it....
- This area is full of residential homes and a significant number of Apartment buildings. Based on what has been reported as happening at the east end hub, putting low income/homeless individuals in this area would significantly increase crime in the area and should not be allowed to become a place where homeless stay outside. It seems that a number of these individuals want to build permanent structures and not pay taxes or anything else.
- I think it is an excellent location and model for supportive and transitional housing. It has an appropriate distance from private dwellings in the community. It can also be modelled to provide a supportive community style of housing. The layout should facilitate the delivery of supportive services. Well done!
- I support the plans to use 309 Queen Mary Road as transitional housing. However, I have some concerns. Supports for mental health and drug issue need to be in place. Residents must not be allowed to put up structures on the grounds. The residents need to be in a safe environment without threats or aggressive behaviour from other residents or animals. There need to be rules in place regarding cleanliness and property upkeep. I suspect that some of the Unhoused will not want to comply with the above restrictions. Only others who do, should be accepted as residents. The lack of housing is at a critical point in Kingston. This plan, properly implemented, is a good step to alleviating the desperate situation so many Kingstonians are in.
- I am hoping the city will be able to provide detailed plans for services to be offered, who will provide said services and estimates of impact on surrounding neighbourhoods. Also would like to know what demographic sectors will be considered for transitional housing.
- I am concerned that this facility will transform the surrounding area into the mess that is around the existing integrated care hub in Kingston or Bridge Street United

Church in Belleville. This seems like it will be a magnet filling up the ample surrounding woods with a sprawling encampment and bring drug dealing and consumption to what is currently a reasonably stable and peaceful area.

- Community members need to be informed about what services will be provided and how it will impact the neighborhood. What measures will the city have in place to make sure the surrounding neighborhoods are not negatively impacted. Will our parks and green space remain clean and safe Will measure in place to reduce noise after 11pm? Would the area at Lake Ontario Park be better suited for facility like this, as it is not in a residential neighborhood and it is currently being set up for tiny homes. Beach Grove to provide services. Will the seniors have a place to live?
- I am very concerned about this. I understand that the intention is not to place the ICH (sic) there, but it doesn't assure that that will not be the case. Quite frankly, the last few initiatives to deal with this issue have been mishandled by City Staff and I am not sure that this will be handled any better. I don't know what the solution is to help the homeless in Kingston but what we have been doing is not working. And the same people who have worked on the previous initiatives are now involved in this one. I work downtown. In the last year, the instability of the drug addicts and mentally ill homeless has increased tenfold. I know not all homeless are addicts. But this is the subgroup we are concerned about. Not families or seniors that need help. If it was just those groups I would not be as nervous about this. We should be ashamed of what we put the residents around Belle Park and the ICH (sic) through. It appears out of control, so how do we have faith that the exact same crap won't take root at the Extencicare property. My family lives half a kilometre from Extencicare. We already have extensive crime in our area that is not dealt with by police. We do not want more.
- I think this is a wonderful idea and a way for the city and residents to get involved and educated about people in housing crisis. Support not stigma
- Smart purchase, Kingston! Thank you for all you do to support the homeless. Maybe this site could be partially used for rent-to-Income suites?
- I am supportive of new housing and healthcare opportunities for disadvantaged people. I think that utilizing an existing facility like this seems like a practical and logical idea. Personally, I think this is a good location for a supportive/transitional housing facility. I would be interested in hearing what kind of services and staffing are being considered as the consultation for this project proceeds. I think the City needs to be very clear about the timelines and processes for the consultation on this project and should focus on providing evidence-based services at this facility. Please consult with healthcare and social service experts on this project as much or more as non-experts like myself!
- I unequivocally support the development of this much needed facility.



- how will the city handle the inevitable increase in crime and local property destruction in the surrounding area? Will there be dedicated security and policing at this location?
- I do not like the idea of transitional housing happening around this area. Polson and Calvin Park (sic) already have low income housing in our neighborhoods and have a high rate of theft. It's not near any services like downtown Kingston has available and it frankly devalues our homes. I want a neighbourhood that is safe for my kids to walk around in. Why are we not spreading the homeless around to other neighbourhoods such as the East and West end so we don't create a [REDACTED].
- We have to have something to get homeless people that have challenges into the housing so I support this use of existing land and facilities.
- Please make sure the residents concerns are addressed.
- Very supportive of different forms of supportive housing. Given the nature of the existing structure, I would think perhaps something along the lines of Rideaucrest (sic) or a health centre to free up beds in hospitals would be appropriate. Certainly something like a standalone enlarged version of the ICH is not appropriate and would not be welcome...and I don't live in the area. Sometime NIMBYS have it right despite the public abuse they often take especially when their opposition results in a better resolution for everyone. Whatever is decided must have established good criteria which must be met before anyone takes up residence even on a short term basis and must have dedicated full time on site staffing.
- Unfortunate that 309 QMR is referred to as "a supportive and transitional housing facility" because it, at best, seems to limit the consideration of alternatives and at worst endangers community support for whatever is decided. As a 79 year old, and 60 year resident of the community who is without a family doctor due to his retirement and who has no access to primary care except through the one walk-in clinic (where I had to wait 2 hours on the street or waiting room to get a form filled) and my wife and I had to wait over 3 hours at Hotel Dieu Emergency before leaving without being seen because it was about to close, I guess I too am in need of a 'supportive facility'. The email I received with the invitation to take this survey stated "the City of Kingston is exploring the feasibility of locating health care services, including a primary health care clinic". Now that I could support; a multi-use facility that could include transitional housing for those in need of the care the larger facility provided. Given the state of primary care care in this area, the facility should be used as the City's contribution to federal and hopefully provincial funded for a base for a primary care network. This is not rocket science. It is being done successfully elsewhere as in Calgary where my son works with the [REDACTED] which provides service to 5000,000 with 500 docs

and the administrative and other medical staff and supports. Get with the program Kingston and Ontario.

- The FAQ information is helpful and should be a key part of the planning. There is unfortunately some misinformation currently circulating, which is unfavourable towards this important project. I support this project.
- I do NOT want to see Extendicare used for “supportive and transitional housing”..... ie: drug users who refuse to make any effort themselves, and want everything handed to them.....the same people who will go out to local neighborhoods and rob them blind. How about a convalescent space for those in hospital that do not need acute care? How about a new clinic where some procedures like colonoscopies can be done to clear the backlog? What about daycare space , or tear the thing down and build some housing..... we need more “actual” housing.... Not a poorly designed half effort at housing. We certainly don’t need another “ integrated hub disaster” ..... and THATS what extendicare will become if it is slated for “ transitional housing”
- I live in the region, within a few blocks. My child attends school at [REDACTED]. I am in support of this project specifically, and in maintaining or increasing the city budget to provide mental health and housing initiatives generally. I am proud of our city and community for this investment into it's most vulnerable people.
- I am opposed to a transitional shelter style facility being located at 309 Queen Mary Road.
- I fully support supportive and transitional housing at 309 Queen Mary road. I recommend establishing close ties with community mental health and addictions resources and home and community support services.
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# 309 Queen Mary Road Operational Plan Engagement Report

## Why we engaged

The Queen Mary Road (QMR) Project will create an integrated model of primary health care, transitional housing and community-based programming through innovative approaches and partnerships. The objective of engagement on the operational plan was to inform participants about the primary care clinic and transitional housing providers, collect ideas for social and recreational programming, and understand concerns outside of the project scope. Input will be incorporated into the operational plan and used to develop communications strategies to strengthen understanding of the housing continuum.

## How we engaged

Public engagement during this phase of project was at the Inform and Consult Levels of the IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation.

Operational plan engagement launched Sept. 23 with an in-person public engagement session hosted by the City of Kingston at the Loyalist Collegiate Vocational Institute (LCVI). The session featured a featuring a staff presentation and information centres hosted by City staff and project partners. Each information centre focused on the core services of transitional housing, community programming, and health care as well as areas addressing timelines and financial consideration and a public engagement zone where questions and comments could be shared and included in this engagement report.

A survey was hosted on Get Involved Kingston from Sept. 23 to Oct 4. Participants could engage online, by phone or by mail. Paper copies of the survey were also available at the in-person session. A news release and Get Involved email newsletters were used to communicate about these engagement opportunities, reaching 13,000 email subscribers.

## Who we heard from

- 75 people attended the in-person engagement session
- 624 aware participants visited the project page
- 190 engaged participants completed surveys online or by email

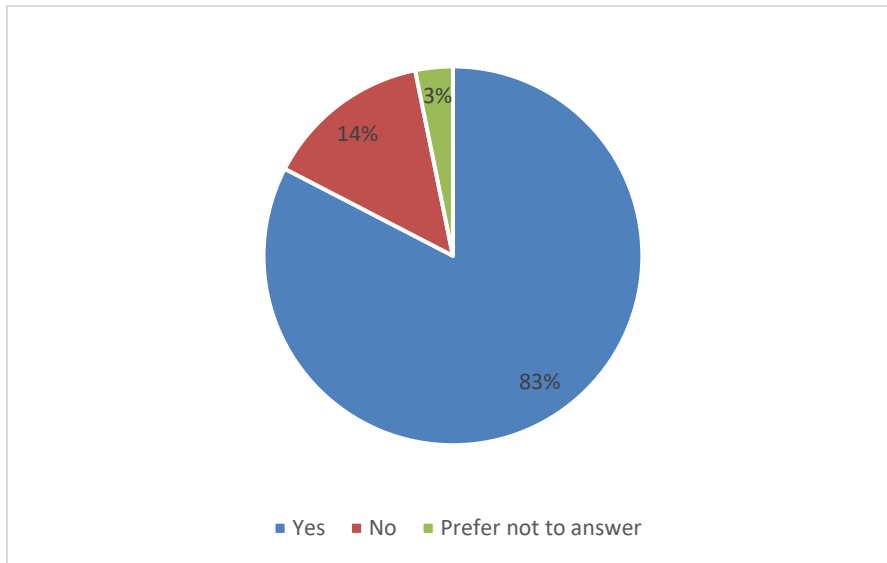
## Summary of What we heard

The survey asked both qualitative and quantitative questions. This section of the engagement report shares responses to the quantitative questions, themes and sample

verbatim responses to qualitative questions. Verbatim responses are at the end of this exhibit.

**Question 1: Do you have a primary health care provider? (190 responses)**

A majority of respondents (83%) say they have a primary health care provider.



*Figure 1 Percentage of respondents with a primary health care provider.*

**Question 2: What feedback do you have specific to the primary health care clinic aspect of the project? (158 responses)**

Nearly all respondents shared they were supportive of the location and repurposing of a portion of the facility for primary care, adding they wished to additional wellness services offered, such as vaccine clinics, physiotherapy or a pharmacy. Respondents shared they would prefer only residents in the neighbourhood to have access to the clinic. Most respondents shared concerns about the ability to recruit physicians to practice at the clinic. Transportation and parking were a top concern for some respondents.

- Love it! We need far more primary care in Kingston. I currently travel to Toronto to see my doctor.
- Will the health team be accepting more patients once they relocate to 309 Queen Mary Rd? Where are people (clients and staff) going to park?
- Ideally, the clinic should be highly interdisciplinary, with as many integrated services as possible.
- Where are the health care professionals going to come from?

**Question 3: What social and/or recreational programming would you be interested in seeing in the community use space? (165 responses)**

Responses to this question align with programming feedback received during pre-engagement. Ideas can be categorized into the following themes.

Health and wellness (28 responses)

- Senior Centre programming that transitional housing people could use as well as the general public, specialty health unit clinic re lifestyle - diet/diabetes/exercise.
- Because the tenants will be aged 55+ and will include recently discharged people from hospital, strengthening classes provided by the Y would be beneficial for the tenants as well as those living in the community.

Senior specific programming (25 responses)

- Senior engagement/card nights, community gardening
- Another space for the Seniors Centre to do programming, especially gentle fitness for the large older population
- Digital training sessions for seniors to allow them to become more inclusive in today's world.

Family and youth (16 responses)

- Children and youth services should be included. Giving children a healthy head start in life goes a long way
- I'd like to see support for youth groups if any need space.
- I think that a library, community support groups including children would be beneficial to both young families and some of the seniors would be able to get involved. Interaction between children and seniors is beneficial to both.

Culture, art and social connection (8 responses)

- I love the idea about Indigenous languages. Perhaps a variety of pop ups for that space - arts, music, etc.
- A space for group art shows, book review groups, choir practice, quilt group.

**Question 4: How would you rate your knowledge of transitional housing (190 responses)**

A majority of respondents say they are very knowledgeable (17.5%) or somewhat knowledgeable (66.1%) about transitional housing. Staff will use this input to create awareness campaigns about the housing continuum.

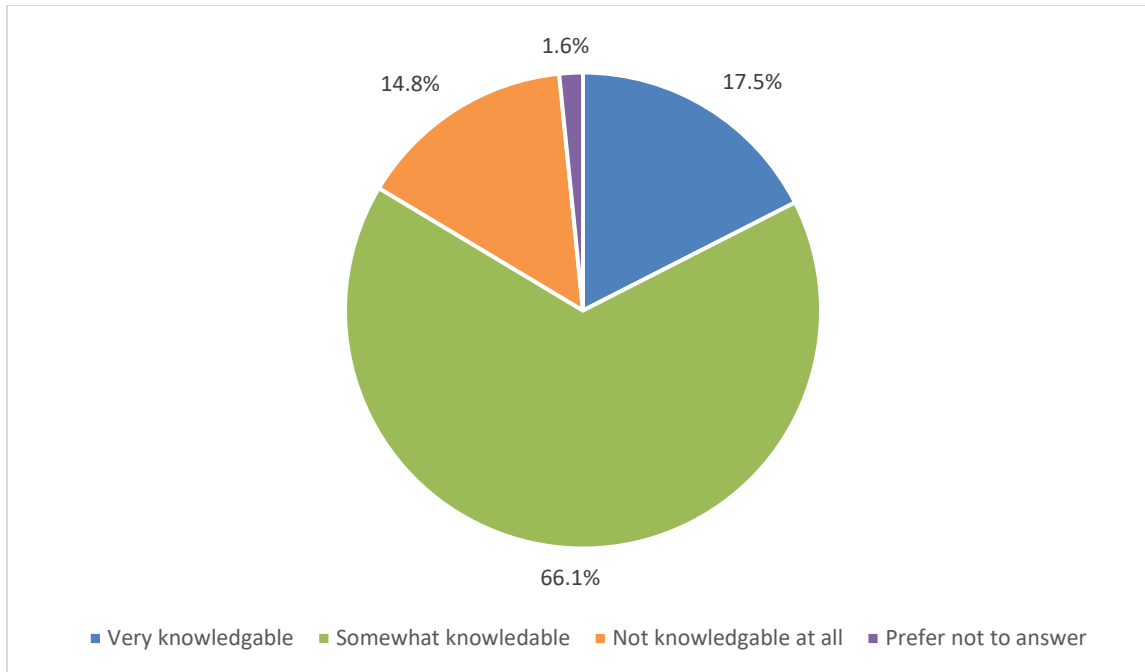


Figure 2 How knowledgeable are you about transitional housing?

**Question 5: What feedback do you have specific to the supportive transitional housing aspect of the project? (170 responses)**

Most respondents acknowledged the need for supportive transitional housing in Kingston, with responses mixed on the use of 309 Queen Mary Rd. as the location of this type of housing. Of respondents stating their support for housing at this location, most noted the need for wraparound services, 24/7 staffing, and expressed concern about substance use by individuals living at the site. Several respondents expressed appreciation for being provided the definition of supportive transitional housing at the engagement session and in the survey.

- Now that this is being explained to me, it sounds very worthwhile. So many people don't have the basic life skills necessary to live independently- financial literacy, cooking skills, nutrition information, personal hygiene. Transitional housing sounds like a great solution.
- Totally support transitional housing if it provides easy access, a wide variety of transitional services provided by knowledgeable and compassionate staff.
- Much like many other in the area, there is a deep concern for the surrounding area to become a place of homelessness support. Although necessary, I do not believe this is the correct location for this purpose.
- I like that older people are part of the plans. I am happy that no drug use would be tolerated.
- This is not an optimal location for this type of housing. Listen to the immediate neighbours!

**Question 6: Do you have comments about the QMR Project that are outside of the scope of the transitional support housing, primary health care clinic or community use opportunities?** (142 responses)

The open response question provided respondents the opportunity to share feedback that out outside of the scope of QMR project, as well as ask questions of the project team. Feedback is themed as follows.

Transitional housing questions and/or concerns (25 responses)

- Will the transitional housing be for all or will it be male or female only? Where will a person go if they do not abide by the housing rules?
- It is equally important, however, that the transitional housing model located there does not overwhelm everything else happening on the site. Community members will not access programming and services if they feel uncomfortable or unsafe when they attend the site.

Project and location support (12 responses)

- This is a great initiative. We need more projects like this.
- Just hoping that the project is an able to focus on people in crisis who don't have the skills to seek out the help they need including health care and housing

Safety concerns (11 responses)

- Does the QMR project have protocols in place for those that will not follow the rules and requirements in order to stay in this facility? Do you have plans to keep the surrounding communities safe and free of encampments?
- Our community wants a guarantee that what has happened at the current ICH will not happen at this location. Please just stand up and do the right thing for once - tell us we'll be safe.

Communication and engagement (5 responses)

- There is a LOT of misinformation floating around about the project and some stories (the transitional housing will be a safe injection site, etc) seem to persist. Not sure how to reduce this except by just starting the project up and letting it run, but perhaps more news coverage would be good, especially on local radio and other locations.
- There needs to be clear communication as to who will live here and what processes will be in place to support those who will living there.

### Verbatim feedback

The following comments were submitted by registered Get Involved Kingston participants. Feedback that did not follow the City of Kingston's Guidelines for Participation (shared personal information, contained profanity or abusive language, or was not specific to the project) were omitted from the feedback.

### Question 2: What feedback do you have specific to the primary health care clinic aspect of the project?

- perfect placement of primary health care beside transitional housing
- The idea of having primary healthcare services nearby is great, I wonder what services my new, young family of 4 would even benefit from. My Wife and I moved to the [REDACTED] area late last year and are looking forward to raising our children here.
- This would be great, especially if I could become a patient!
- Excellent approach to take primary care into the various parts of the community.
- I know of many people who do not have a doctor. The health care aspect of this project is direly needed.
- Everyone-EVERYONE in Ontario has the right to have a primary health care provider. It is just not right that so many folks do not have access to this incredibly important resource. This in turn, puts much unnecessary pressure on all other areas of our crumbling health care system and it is not working!
- Keep the transitional housing units component of the project to a minimum. Transitional housing should be disbursed throughout the community so that it integrates better; not centred on a particular site to create a "ghetto-like" environment and all the negative issues that accompany that.
- Roster as many as you can
- I sincerely hope it will bring in more primary care physicians.
- My current doctor will be relocating to this facility and I am interested in what it is all about, I am also a Real Estate Agent and have had a few clients concerned about this facility in their area so would like to know what the concern is.
- We need more family health care providers, particularly on the model of a "health home," such as the project described above and espoused by Dr. Jane Philpott, Dean of Queen's Faculty of Health Sciences.
- I think it is needed. I just got rostered after a 4 year wait and only because we constantly asked. I still have to wait a month when I want an appointment. Who wants to live in a city with no doctor, long wait times and only one walk-in clinic. I think KGH should move some services out of the hospital like was done for the Breast screening clinic that is now at John Marks. It would open space in the hospital for other things meaning leave the hospital space for hospital specific needs.
- Good to have more primary healthcare
- I have a family Doctor, but my husband does not. He is retiring from the military after 35 years service. I am not sure why the CAF is allowed to release members to a situation where they have no access to regular medical care. Provinces should be demanding that the CAF continue to provide medical care to retired



members, using their provincial health care card. While the American medical model has many more flaws than our system, ongoing medical care through the military is one way that supporting members, serving or retired, makes sense and takes stress off both those who have/do serve and the public medical system.

- team model providing front line nursing nurse practitioner and gp
- I think having a primary health care clinic in the area would help a significant number of people in the neighbourhood.
- It is regrettable that a CTS will not be part of the plan. I think those opposed to the transitional housing aspect saw the health care site as a way to limit that part of the project, The primary care site will not replace care for those already with a provider but take on those without one and be geographically limited..A reasonable compromise but I wish the city had stuck to the original plan
- I think this is a more central location with hopefully better access to parking
- I think it's great we need more medical clinics in the city especially for Primary Care.
- Usually there is a more in depth prospectus for these projects. But in this case I don't see any link to that so have no ability to provide a considered opinion or suggestions
- Love the research / training development aspects of the Queen's Family Health Clinic!
- None, a great idea.
- While I understand that every clinic have some lower socio-economic status patients, and helping the vulnerable is important, I would like to make it clear that we do NOT want harm reduction supplies, or any services currently provided by Street Health at this location. Harm reduction supplies have NOT helped the vulnerable, and you endanger an entire new set of communities if brought to this location.
- We need more "team" health care clinics.
- I would like to see this as 100% primary health care clinic to help address the chronic doctor shortages that we have in this city
- Looks great in planning notes but when this primary clinic moves from 791 Princess Street 309 QMR, if the "Transitional housing Residents" are not following rules as outlined at the community info session presented on 23 Sep 2024 at LCVI and start causing problems, folks who are patients of this clinic may not be comfortable attending this site for themselves or their family and children etc. This would be a change to what they were experiencing when clinic was located at 791 Princess, thus it would only become a clinic for the Transitional Housing Folks. Leaving more folks then without primary care, doing the opposite of what the City of Kingston Residents without a doctor need!
- You are still NOT addressing the addiction and mental health crisis that are highly needed in this city!!! You closed access to the ICH so now where do people go for all the help that they received there???
- Fantastic! So happy to see this resource used for this - easy access, good space, link to community support.
- I am very concerned for my fellow citizens who are without a primary care provider so having more resources available to them is very important to me.

- I think this is a very needed project. So many people in Kingston and area do not have a PCP and rely on the walk in clinic and HDH for their everyday care. The care provided is very time limited and there is no continuity of care. This impacts the vulnerable and chronically ill significantly..
- That it supports those without a doctor not just those residing at the facility
- Will the health team be accepting more patients once they relocate to 309 Queen Mary Rd? Where are people (clients and staff) going to park? There is limited parking at this time even without the additional need for people using the new services.
- Good idea!
- Additional primary healthcare providers are much-needed in Kingston. Why, though, is the organization moving from 791 Princess St? Won't that just pull time and money away from patient care?
- Availability should be filtered by financial status (low income priority), as well as severity of need (ie patients with chronic issues, including neurological and mental health issues) in order to fill the available spots.
- Parking will likely be an issue
- Lack of primary care access to much of the community makes this a priority for Kingston. While I am fortunate to have a provider currently, the recent retirement of my family doctor and upcoming retirement for doctors of family members is a current and ongoing issue unless alternatives are found immediately. Primary health care is a right that every citizen should have access to very much like education for our youth. Community Health centres would provide a wraparound care model to start the process. More is needed but this is a start.
- I think it's a great thing to have a clinic that addresses the immediate community it's located in. I was finally rostered across town recently and I'm very glad of that, but I almost wish that I could be rostered here instead. However, having everyone served by the clinic closest to them seems like an impossible task to figure out and administrate. I'm happy for my neighbours still currently without a primary care physician who end up there.
- Anything that offers health services to the population is great idea.
- Support this aspect of the QMR site. It's a good use of the facility.
- The clinic needs to be available to all. Good hours, not just Monday to Friday. Preventative programmes.
- None
- Anything that attracts Primary Physicians to Kingston is a good investment.
- The idea of having primary health care centres that service Kingston's communities, is wonderful. I don't think the problem with our under serviced community lies in too few facilities but rather in a shortage of doctors. I very much support the model of triaged health care proposed by Dr. Jane Philpott in which a patient is serviced by the health care professional most able to help them.
- That it remains a primary health clinic for individuals who do not have access to a primary health care provider and not a safe injection site
- Love it! We need far more primary care in Kingston.
- Excellent location for primary care facility.

- I strongly support the facilities being provided to KCHC.
- Do not offer 'harm reduction' or supervised injection site services. Do not specialize in mental health services
- This is a fantastic addition to the community, the more health care providers the better.
- Creating more space for doctors won't fix an issue if you can't attract doctors to the area. I'd like to know more about what the city is doing to incentivize medical professionals to Kingston. Our city has a bad reputation for housing, now mental health support, and increasing overt racism.
- Excellent idea, and I fully support the concept.
- It should not be used as such as ur deviates from the community opinion, the same community you are supposed to serve.
- I fully support this initiative.
- Great! I support this project
- I would like to see several doctors and nurse practitioners take on as many patients as possible to help with the shortage of family physicians in the city. I would hope it will be open to any postal code in Kingston, as many of the doctors who've recently taken new patients, had to be in a certain area code to get into the clinics. I know a tremendous number of people without a primary care physician all over the city. People who have chronic health issues and require tests, prescriptions etc.
- Kingston desperately needs more primary care providers. It is a good location, easily accessible by transit.
- Very pleased this is being installed.
- That it is a positive attempt by the City to aid in the underserved
- I think this is a valuable part of the property. There are so many without doctors and we should have more nurse practitioners involved in this clinic. It could be expanded to include dental services and other health practitioners or services
- In response to Question 1, like many new arrivals to Kingston, because of the shortage of Doctors in the Kingston area, my primary Doctor is in my old locality, [REDACTED]. Lack of primary health care in Kingston will be a drag on future growth for the region.
- I need to know what exactly this means. Is it for a walk in clinic for everyone or is it a place where there are doctors who will be accepting new patients?
- A place for elderly people who currently occupy expensive hospital beds and don't require that level of medical care.
- Where are the health care professionals going to come from?
- Excellent use of space!
- The plan for primary health care sounds good if it is run as advertised.
- I think this is the most important aspect of the project. I think it would be nice if the City thought about requiring that the clinic operators prioritize local residents, since it is so difficult to get rostered in Kingston. This should of course be done with clinics in other locations. This would align with your messaging around social determinants of health (local and reliable primary care).Honestly, the fact that transitional housing is attached to the clinic sounds like a ""kludge"", it's not

motivated, at all, by the services of a primary health care clinic but rather by the use of the funds that the City is using. The City should be honest about that.

- I fully support the plan to provide primary health services as well as "population health services" at 309 Queen Mary Rd. The location is central, on a bus route, and will (hopefully) have adequate parking available for people accessing the clinic. This would be a much needed and appreciated health service in our community.
- This location would not be in the best interest for the local residents due to many circumstances.
- An ABSOLUTE need in our community!!
- This is a great addition. My main concern is the ability to staff and resource these services.
- I would like to see [REDACTED] be the primary pharmacy. They deal with each customer with care and on a very personal, efficient and intelligent manner. A wonderful locally owned pharmacy.
- The health care clinic should prioritize those residents without family physicians (and have been on the waiting list) and who live in the neighbouring communities. My mother is an excellent example.
- The safety and well being of the existing community
- Sounds good
- Happy to have more health clinics, especially available on a bus route.
- if the clinic is in another location and operating how many new clients will it really be able to take on once it moves to queens mary. or is this simply clinic moving from one location to a new site
- I want to see only a clinic in this location, all aspects of health care for the thousands of kingstonians who don't have a family doctor. The location should be only a health care clinic.
- Needs to cover people living in west end of Kingston
- In general, as we age, we tend to require more health care. I hope the Midtown Kingston Health Home provides care geared to an aging population. I am very happy that it will NOT be called "Periwinkle."
- 1. Please don't restrict patients to only those on the Health Care Connect website. My husband and I, both seniors, moved to Kingston a year ago and didn't want to de-roster from our primary care provider in Belleville before finding a provider closer to home. As a result, Health Care Connect won't let us register and we wouldn't be able to roster with Midtown even though we are [REDACTED]. 2. It would be helpful if more details were provided about the timeline - how and when will 8,000 patients be rostered - and what is the process to decide who get's rostered and what is the eligibility criteria.
- While it seems like a good idea and there is a lack of primary health care providers, I am a little concerned about the safety of nearby residents with this amount of patient traffic. Having said this, I don't know how things are working out at 791 Princess and perhaps there are takeaways that can add safety to the Queen Mary project.
- I am glad to see that this much needed service is being added. I am most happy knowing that Consumption Treatment Services are not going to be included

- It seems like a very large facility which is set up for inpatient/residential use. I am not sure if it makes sense to have primary care there at the expense of having inpatient or transitional housing services at this location.
- The clinic should continue the present practice of giving priority to those residing in the area around 309 Queen Mary Rd
- This seems like a good use of the space. Many across the community are in need of primary care providers.
- Why is the City providing physical space for health care and not the Province? This is only going to lead to a poorly-led Province dumping more responsibilities on to the City for the political gain of keeping provincial taxes down.
- Certainly a need resource for the community. Also clinic seems all inclusive
- Open QMR to all in need.
- Great use of space & desperately needed!
- It remains unclear as to WHO will be getting care at this facility and MOST IMPORTANTLY, will the facility provide services to individuals addicted to illegal drugs? Will there be harm-reduction supplies provided at this facility? Repeated questions about who this facility will serve remain unanswered or vague. Is this intended to serve some of the 35,000+ Kingston residents without a family doctor or is this going to be a "street health" facility? The CTS is not the only issue residents have been concerned with since February, if the plan is to bring any type of Addiction services to 309 this should be disclosed loud and clear to the general public well in advance of the plan being finalized.
- Thrilled to see this; although I have an excellent primary care provider, many in the community don't and this is an enormous burden on our healthcare system. We need to dramatically reduce the number of people using emergency rooms as primary healthcare.
- This is an essential component!
- I support this aspect 100%
- Thank You! Perfect location for the midtown Health Home. We have dear friends who have been waiting 5 years for a family doctor, who have recently accessed services at the temporary location. They are expecting to be rostered there.
- this is a perfect, ACCESSIBLE location that has parking and transit access near areas of population density.
- It's a great idea! Bring in radiology and a pharmacy as well
- Great addition to the neighborhood.
- I think it's a great idea!
- That it helps everyone, not just a select population.
- I have properties in the area and I'm concerned it will depreciate because of this clinic
- This is important.
- I hope all aspects of the provision of health care will be publicly provided and there will not be any privately provided services.
- Would like to see a place for x rays, mri's and cat scans
- it's an excellent plan.
- It would be great if Covid/Flu clinics etc. were offered there for the general public.
- Good idea

- Much more accessible to downtown residents at the current location of 791 Princess Street. It's not a walkable distance to the Queen Mary location for many and requires either owning a vehicle or paying for transportation to access healthcare services.
- This seems like a desperately needed service and I absolutely support it being developed at this location. I think it makes sense to spread services around Kingston (i.e. not all need to be in downtown core or along Montreal Street). The location seems accessible due to being on a bus route, and the services listed are essential.
- Ideally, the clinic should be highly interdisciplinary, with as many integrated services as possible. One of the key failings of the current system is that primary care is often self-driven - the physician provides referrals, but does not coordinate or navigate services for the patient, and for many elderly people, this is a real challenge and poses a clear risk of care failure. A second major issue is that patient information often remains siloed, and patients themselves must provide their clinical histories over and over again. Again, for some elderly persons, that information could be missing, mis-remembered or even fabricated. Finally, post-crisis discharge and follow up remains a huge challenge for elderly people, with medication and therapeutic follow through being self - managed and often misapplied. This leads to significant risk of failure to recover, or risk of condition exacerbation.
- awesome, need more
- Good project and one sorely needed in Kingston. I don't agree that this is the right location for one.
- Would like it to include a bloodwork laboratory available to all public.
- I would be happy to have any health care clinic, especially if it's not downtown.
- Having recently left Kingston for Québec for a few years for work; the CLSC model may provide practices worth emulating. I particularly enjoyed being able to email the clinic with questions, allowing for more information before needing to travel to the clinic and take up nurse's time.
- Sounds like an excellent idea. I hope it is run like a true community health practice, with multiple services, salaried staff, not run with the usual business model.
- If the plan is to make it a health home, is the plan to offer primary care to the residents of the nearby area? (ie QM road, Grenville Park)? I appreciate that there will not be any safe injection site. I think that this is the wise choice.
- I think that offering cancer screening to the broader community is a hugely necessary choice. I would say that the service that I see as most needed is the well baby and well child service. I am a family doctor and I work at the walk-in. There is no good well child service in Kingston for children who do not have family doctors. I see services to children as the most important, long-lasting investment that we can make, and this is truly a gift to Kingston.
- A wonderful idea. There are many students around there who will need care as they are from out of town.
- The state of our health care system is completely unacceptable. Even when you have a family doctor, it can take weeks to get an appointment - not always in

person. Every referral takes more than a year. We should have a private healthcare option available for those that want (need) to use it.

- Very much needed
- Excellent plan, I like the scope of services and the delivery model being used
- Will the proposal 'evolve' as in many other locations?
- Excellent idea
- Helping those who need it most
- Desperately needed. But will the funding be ongoing?
- I am all for that, when there is such a shortage of family physicians.
- I fully support it
- Clearly another City project in which all final decisions have already been made. The way this project was originally handled secretly behind closed doors indicates deception by city officials to hide their intentions which was made clear at the public meeting that the opinions of the community will have no bearing on the objectives/ intention going ahead with the project as per the decisions made behind closed doors
- This seems much preferable to the first proposal for the property. Now that I have moved away from [REDACTED], I will not be affected except by the greatly increased traffic except when I visit [REDACTED]. I hope it means that health care would be provided to all those without a family doctor, and not only people living on the street.
- The City of Kingston has spent \$5M on health care incentives in the past 2 years. All the evidence suggests the issue continues to get worse. The CoK does not follow up or audit the use of physician incentive dollars. Physicians are likely taking advantage of this high amount of funds, doing minimal work to get the funds, and leaving tax payers in debt. Health care is the responsibility of the Provincial government. Not the Municipalities. The CoK has failed entirely to consider alternative options for managing health care. After all, if there's such a shortage of doctors, one would expect an abundance of funds to be available and unused.
- I think there will be an awful lot of people who will be happy about that aspect, so I am happy for them. I also think it will tone down the complaints from those who are frightened about other uses of the property.
- I'll be losing my doctor in 10 years. What then?
- Very needed
- Timely support
- I'm pleased with the fact that this has become available to all.... if I read the information correctly as previously it was said only for certain Postal Code addresses. I'm hopeful this is for any Senior without a family Physician.
- Make it accessible to everyone
- This is great as long as it does not become anything close to the HUB!
- I like the aspect of providing comprehensive, on-going primary care for the surrounding neighbourhoods. I find it very difficult accessing health services at KGH or various parts of town
- Increased availability of PCPs is desperately needed.

- I think that health care for all Kingston residents is very important no matter what age. All people have individual needs.
- Great use of site
- We need more primary health care so go for it
- If it means that more people will have access to a family doctor and prompt medical care, I think the primary health care clinic is a fantastic idea.
- Sounds good.
- It sounds like it would become another integrated care hub!
- Primary Health Care is much needed in all of the Kingston area I agree with opening a new clinic on Queen Mary Rd
- We need more "Consumption Treatment Services (safe injection) will not be part of the services offered." - this better hold true.
- None other then I hope it will be a geographic health hub. Great model!
- I think it would improve access to physicians for many without a doctor.
- I think it will be good for the community, if delivered as it states and not to be intended in connection with an integrated care hub as was previously suggested.
- I live [REDACTED]. Will residents in the community who don't have a health care provider be able to sign up on a list for one? The process for rostering and timeline is not clear. There hasn't been much communication on this aspect of the project.
- This will be an important resource for the area. I hope that it will be able to provide health care for a broad range of clients and not just for the wealthier residents of the area but include those on fixed incomes and the poor and unhoused. Thank you.
- Good idea. Great opportunity to connect people with primary, addiction, and mental Health service.
- None - it's a good idea.
- Start nurse practitioner led clinics! There are lots of NPs willing to provide primary care
- I am interested to see what we can do about providing more opportunities for citizens to see a doctor.
- I think it is great! We need more doctors and clinics.
- I do not have a primary health care provider. I am registered with Health Care Connect and live in [REDACTED]. So I hope the new clinic uses the Health Care Connect list (instead of the recent free for alls and long line ups) and selects people in the neighbourhood first.
- This type of project should not be located in a residential area.
- the location if wrong
- This is a core function of our health care system. We have many "orphaned" residents of Kingston without family physicians. This should be a priority.

**Question 3: What social and/or recreational programming would you be interested in seeing in the community use space?**

- Senior Centre programming that transitional housing people could use as well as the general public, specialty health unit clinic re lifestyle - diet/diabetes/exercise.



- Programs for families and children. Programs that foster safe environments that do not promote gathering of individuals that take advantage of support services.
- A meeting space for clubs. A gym space for volleyball/basketball etc. groups to use
- We should be looking at broad based programming that meets the interest of the immediate community and does not duplicate existing services.
- meeting rooms for the public to rent
- It depends on how big the transitional housing component is. As per the proposed site divisions, I would be concerned about placing any further community use activities there.
- Immigrant services, mental health and addictions services,
- Fitness, cooking classes, meeting spaces
- I support the uses described above. Children and youth services should be included. Giving children a healthy head start in life goes a long way to avoiding problems/addictions/mental health issues/poverty in the future.
- Free courses like painting or photography
- I don't tend to use those services. You would have to look at the demographics of the neighborhood.
- All of the above. Things for the unhoused community come to mind, but also seniors, children of ALL ages, especially teens (there are a LOT of groups dedicated to 0-6 year olds, but nothing for teens!). Teens have virtually nothing in Kingston to keep them occupied!
- physiotherapy availability should be primary other associations secure and pay for their own spaces
- Uses that promote physical activity and social connections would be useful. Much like the Seniors' Centre.
- The seniors center would be a good group to consult on use.
- Assistance with employment seeking
- "I think services that help our most vulnerable and also helping the community in general are good. Maybe a space for group counselling and private counselling? Self-serve mental health resources and education. Nutrition education. Personal Hygiene education and resources.
- Access to information and properly providing the information is critical right now. We are in a time of questioning as a society and rightly so but we must be able to depend on our sources of information.
- Community lessons in identifying scams, misinformation, protecting ones' information, safe bicycle operating programs, pedestrian safety programs, safe driving campaigns and programs.
- Gardening, cooking, sewing programs along with reading comprehension programs for kids. These are things that are lacking in school and in our medical system because the province has made such cuts .... it's not the city's responsibility from a legislative perspective but if we don't look after our community who will? What kind of future are we building?"
- I trust that a transportation hub is also being considered
- Partner with Queen's/SLC/(RMC?) on free STEM Outreach workshops!
- The library and the language nest would be quite interesting.

- A public library would be a good use of the entire building, not just a portion. You are NOT going to have the population of Kingston use a library that is in the same building as transitional housing.
- Activities that give people an opportunity to "do something positive" - for themselves and for other people who need something positive to look forward to each day.
- What I don't want to see is a drop in soup kitchen type of operation that would attract other folks who are addicted or mental illness now mixing with the Transitional housing folks. All this will then comprise the safety and security of the site and residents and residents of the surrounding area.
- Child care services , senior activity center in order to encourage physical fitness in conjunction with the primary health care clinic using the newly established walking path adjacent to the property
- Mental health services and addiction management services
- Cooking programs, fitness, socializing, exercise. Guest speakers.
- "affordable fresh food market, clinics to repair household goods, bikes and electronics.
- Guest motivational speakers. Spaces available for local fundraising events at minimal cost
- Space for classes to promote spiritual and physical well being through meditation/yoga etc"
- "Cooking classes
- Not a soup kitchen for the homeless!!!!!"
- Community outreach programs similar to the ones offered at KCHC would be welcomed. More attention to food disparity, especially affordable FRESH food and veggies such as the pay what you can markets, the lionhearts pop up fresh food markets. Having the good food box available 2x a month would help a LOT of people-I have an apartment sized fridge. I cannot store large quantities of fruit/veg so I cannot get 2 boxes at one time. We would eat more F+V if we could afford the \$. There is always a need for free or low cost social programming. Basketball, cards, scrabble, movie nights with healthy snacks, after school activities/tutoring, food bank as the current location is not convenient to those who use the bus and will be carrying heavy bags home. Mental health assistance-the current assistance provided is not sufficient. You get 6 visits. 6. That is not enough time for some people to give their background and trauma, much less get any kind of help. Social workers to assist with applying to benefits and referring to programming as appropriate. ID clinics-many vulnerable people have no gov ID due to loss or theft and don't have the ability, \$ or paperwork to apply for new ID. Help to apply for a library card-where they have computer and internet access to help with job search, school applications, mental health assistance and positive community gathering places. The health unit used to have a program I think was called Basic Shelf-to learn to cook with basic, lower cost ingredients. Food bank supplementing with pantry staples such as flour, sugar, margarine, coffee, powdered milk etc. that people don't often receive at the food bank but require to cook many of the items they do receive like KD, rice a roni, hamburger helper etc.

- I do not want to see a soup kitchen!! I would rather it be a kitchen that prepares meals to be delivered to those in need. ie Meals on wheels
- Any needed, including services for unhoused and housing insecure and/or immigrant newcomer or indigenous services.
- Children's play and education resources and programming.
- There should be a priority on programming that helps the people who need the housing, and other low-income residents.
- Assistance for immigrants would tie in nicely at this hub. Literacy education would also be helpful
- "Mother baby groups
- An early on program for children "
- Vocational training, cooking classes, senior exercise (tai chi, or qi gong - something that doesn't require a lot of equipment or set-up), book clubs, literary classes, language classes - perhaps the surrounding community could volunteer to help out with skills the residents might want to learn and which will help them eventually transition out. I think the more the community mixes with each other, the less fear and distrust there will be from the surrounding neighbourhoods. I think the community use aspect is one of the best things about the project and it has the potential to become a different sort of (social) hub benefitting everyone.
- Something for the youth of the city to use.
- Addiction counselling/support for alcohol & drugs; education and support regarding food (nutrition, shopping seasonal foods, cooking lessons); hobbies (knitting, crocheting, painting, photography); therapists available for mental health
- Anything health oriented
- Seems like a reasonable use of the space.
- Food bank
- "A mine library branch (possibly just a remote reservation pick up) would be useful.
- Community access to workshop space to make and repair things, or a tool lending library. "
- Addiction services. English as a second language. Low cost day care.
- I do not live in the area but I think the groups you've mentioned cover a broad range of programming.
- programming that would be beneficial for clients the QMR project is hoping to support. The organizations that have expressed interest have many beneficial programs that would not only help those individuals but also members of the community at large
- A space that's bookable for meetups would be awesome.
- The space for the Nest and for the Library seem like good fits. YMCA already has extensive facilities, so unless these are specific for people nearby, for example, those with disabilities, I'm unclear why they should be here... they have a large facility nearby. I'd like to see support for youth groups if any need space.
- None targeted to the homeless, sufferers of addiction or mental health afflictions

- Senior engagement/card nights, community gardening, music/Montessori play groups for infants and toddlers, first aid training for new parents, babysitting courses.
- employment services, and free food services/food bank, free classes for financial literacy, navigating municipal/provincial/federal supports, life skills
- All the suggestions are good; space for community events (e.g., fundraising activities, potluck dinners, annual general meetings, etc.) would be extremely welcome as well. A cost-recovery rental arrangement could be envisioned.
- More community use instead of housing unless it is based on Extencicare principles.
- I think it should be open to not for profit organizations who have a need for affordable space.
- Transitional housing. Medical care. A small library area, with internet connected computers. A low cost or free gym with tread mills, mats, weights, yoga, dance, fitness classes. A small emergency food bank. Free clothing/or sharing program by donation. A vocational training program.
- Renting space to local organizations for meetings etc. at a reasonable cost.
- Transition housing and medical clinic
- the physio therapy unit they spoke about would be good. simple exray department and foot or nail care section
- Digital training sessions for seniors to allow them to become more inclusive in todays world.
- Workout classes
- Seniors Centre, Gym, Workout classes
- 12 step program groups
- "Minor medical services are what is most urgent, our healthcare system is broken.
- There are sufficient recreational and social facilities in the city. They are just ""Fluff"" in comparison to importance healthcare accessibility. "
- Some time slots left open for neighbouring associations, clubs and societies to use for meetings. Include AV components to the spaces.
- Teaching people to be responsible for their behaviour. Learn English and the Canadian values of life that we used to have. Introduce a program where people do some volunteer work in exchange for housing and meals. Giving people a free ticket to everything does not help them or society at all. Ensure security is in place to protect the neighbourhood. A site like this will encourage gatherings of drug addicts, thieves and beggars on the street.
- Programming that is aimed at the surrounding community. From the presentation on the 23rd and the partners that were present, it sounded more like the space was for programming for the inhabitants of the transitional housing.
- All of the above would be wonderful uses for the project.
- "Because the tenants will be aged 55+ and will include recently discharged people from hospital, strengthening classes provided by the Y would be beneficial for the tenants as well as those living in the community. This class could include both standing and sitting exercises as well as balance exercises to reduce the risk of falls. These are some programming ideas: library book clubs,

presentations on different topics (preventative health, ways to save money, stress reduction techniques, how to communicate effectively, etc.), games nights (euchre, Scrabble, Pictionary, etc.), opportunities to create art or learn a new skill (knitting, etc.), and a gardening group (perhaps to assist tenants in growing vegetables or flowers if there will be land for this). I'm assuming that this community space is meant to be used by both tenants and members of the community.

- Question: What does social enterprise catering mean? What would Lionhearts be offering?
- Housing period. No Community Use, housing for transient residents, no drug exchange centre, multi use complex will not work & only create problems for the local residents & the City in the long run.
- Programming that supports food security and social connection; as well as programming that is responsive to the specific needs and wants of residents
- Education classes, a gym, a coffee shop.
- The community partners mentioned above would be great. A strong focus on learning and community involvement and skills development would be potentially motivating for those struggling with housing, mental health issues and addictions issues
- The above mentioned programs would be great
- Cooking classes, indigenous language and cultural programming, healthy living
- Social programming around healthy eating, how to garden, how to access city programs, showcase of volunteer organizations for those looking to give back, warming/cooling station in extreme weather.
- before and after school activities.
- The only thing I don't want to see in this space is anything to do with drugs, supplying things for drugs, supplying services that have anything to do with drugs or anything which can potentially jeopardize my safety or the safety of my community. I don't want it to be a soup kitchen or used as a location to hand out food or meals or anything that can attract any population that can bring harm to my neighbourhood
- Loving Spoonful
- As long as there is a good balance of programming, I am happy with it. I do not want to see all of the services at this location geared to fighting homelessness. There are many community needs that can be addressed here.
- The YMCA might consider establishing a small gym. And the Kingston Senior's Centre might be able to deliver some of its programming in the community use space.
- No housing whatsoever. A clinic use facility geared to the community primary care physicians, dentists, foot care etc...
- I am sure YMCA, Loving Spoonful, etc. would have good ideas. I won't likely use the Community Use space given that I live in the far west end of Kingston.
- Activities for Seniors. Perhaps the Seniors' Association could also get involved?
- Programming that supports the residents and contributes to community integration for those in the housing component.

- Area for tutoring of school children. Recreational activities directed at youth and seniors.
- YMCA, Indigenous languages, library seem great. Fitness facilities also great. Unclear what is meant by "social enterprise catering"
- Not something I will be using so I will leave it to others to decide what is required.
- Seniors fitness and well-being. Perhaps fitness courses focused on health issues ie Bone Fit, etc
- Mental health services. Drug rehab
- Groceries! That area is now a food desert with the closure of food basics, & there are many apartments in the area, many people without cars!
- I hope this will be used for the residents who currently reside in the district. We have a heavy senior demographic and this space should be used to provide them with activities and social engagement. We don't want any services that will attract the drug addicted/dependent population to take place at 309. This heavily residential community is NOT the place for those types of offerings.
- Many people in this area don't drive; college students, seniors and newcomers to Canada make up a significant part of this neighbourhood. Having a satellite branch of the public library would be a very valuable resource for everyone in our community. I'd love to see opportunities for classes open to the community (cooking, ESL, a small performance space for live music).
- Movement, mental health, food security promotion programs.
- I support this aspect 100%. The agencies themselves know what programming is needed.
- "I like the idea of bringing local access from all of the service partners who are listed above.
- I would like to see the potential for Seniors or Adult Day / Respite programs there, caregiver support, or a monthly foot care clinic for diabetics, or mobile dental screening, income tax preparation clinics, early years or parenting classes. "
- Anything that helps people especially living a difficult lifestyle.
- Library programs would be amazing to have a local library close by. A community center with classes for the locals.
- Programs for seniors and young families possibly daycare.
- Programming for adults with developmental disabilities (Extend-A-Family; Community Living, etc.), EarlyON,
- That it offer programming for everyone, not just a select population.
- Available books that change periodically (twice per year?). Discussion groups (to be arranged with novel and interesting topics by outside personnel)
- Computer skills support
- This space could be a great area for KFLAPH to run public COVID vaccine & testing clinics, STI testing clinics, etc and also as a space for community groups to have meetings at no cost.
- I don't think this space should be used for this type of programming should be used for old age resident's like before
- theatre activities, if space is available.

- exercise/yoga classes for the general public or neighbourhood. Library services also.
- Early on,
- I think all of the above ideas - YMCA of Eastern Ontario, Loving Spoonful, Kingston Indigenous Languages Nest and Kingston Frontenac Public Library - would be great uses of the space
- Ability to rent the space at an affordable rate for clubs or meetups
- I'm not sure what the community needs most, but providing the organizations you've listed above with a role in determining how to use the space makes a lot of sense since they are providing on-the-ground services to so many members of our community. I also really like the idea of integrating health care, housing, and community use together to make the space feel more welcome and to focus on community building which is a critical part of healing and treatment.
- Music, movement (dance, yoga, games), arts and crafts, socializing (coffee, tea), shared meals, outdoor / nature walks, etc.
- a place to rent out for use of groups to gather & learn
- I'm more concerned about who will be located in the "housing" section of the complex.
- Scouts Canada Art classes
- Cooking classes
- Yoga classes
- Parent and child programming (eg take a fun class together)
- Board game nights
- Kingston Public Library, YMCA, Indigenous Services
- No specific programming, but rather a programmer that's able to respond to the needs and desires of the community over time.
- I like the potential partners you list, but the space seems awfully small for many services.
- "Another space for the Seniors Centre to do programming, especially gentle fitness for the large older population
- A space for group art shows, book review groups, choir practice, quilt group, "
- " Library: toy lending library! Inspiration: <https://www.ludonyonregion.ch/>
- - Tool lending library.
- - Cooking lessons"
- Programs such as counselling, assistance with doing up a resume and applying for work, day time activities for people who are waiting for the Shelters to open at 8 p.m. I would also like to see public showers and laundry facilities with information or assistance with hygiene practices to stay well.
- Social services, e.g. affordable daycare; education.
- I support all noted agencies & program diversity proposed. The opportunity to include itinerant programs provided by other community groups should also be included. In particular programs that promote inclusion and networking for new comers, people with cognitive impairment and extended substance rehab outreach.
- Learning how to cook with nutritious, cheap foods. Youth programming. A cheap place to rent for community meetings of all sorts

- Education for all people with chronic illnesses like diabetes, fibro. Classes for young parents re: nutrition and how to survive these high costs of living~rent, food etc. Recreational therapy (like yoga classes, gentle exercise for chronic pain sufferers, elderly, disabled folks). Group therapy for those grieving, in depression/anxiety etc. Classes for partners caring for chronically ill partners/children on how to cope and look after themselves. I could go on. I'm a retired public health nurse, so have ideas galore.
- "Why use jargon in a survey? What is "social enterprise catering"
- The concept of community use is excellent"
- It is again clear that this is just another form of the East End Hub being diverted to West End. The actual wording of the above statement by using vague words to describe the facility and its uses along with the community partners just reinforces the original intent of the project and why it was conceived behind closed doors in the beginning.
- Loving Spoonful's inclusion suggests that you this project is again focussed on street people and that would involve moving street people from downtown to QMR. The description of Loving Spoonful does not suggest it functions like a food bank.
- Depending on what is available within the buildings around QMR and Bath Road, an adjunct to the local libraries would be nice. Perhaps a space for fitness (w/o machines), cooking lessons, fresh veggies giveaway. Help Loving Hands Kingston store and distribute goods?
- I would say a sport theme
- Any of the above
- I don't have an interest in this part or need, however it sounds like a great opportunity to many in the area including those in the Housing portion of the facility possibly.
- Meeting space, seniors association activity and meeting room
- Educational and recreation activities for the neighborhood as long as it does not bring in the people that utilize the HUB
- exercise, vocational training, library programs, social clubs
- Vaccination clinic, some form of drop-in daycare, access to employment counselling
- I think that a library, community support groups including children would be beneficial to both young families and some of the seniors would be able to get involved. Interaction between children and seniors is beneficial to both.
- "Seniors centre indigenous services ymca fine
- No addictions services other than by primary care team"
- The plan looks good
- An opportunity for people to gather and talk about all sorts of topics might be useful. In today's world, loneliness is a significant problem because so many people don't have others to talk with.
- Childcare, youth activities, city run sports programs
- YMCA, Library, Kingston Indigenous Languages Nest
- Library, meals, children programs, support for seniors
- Community outreach for the homeless



- Not in a position to advise but love this third use.
- I'd love to see something geared to seniors. I love the idea about Indigenous languages. Perhaps a variety of pop ups for that space - arts, music, etc.
- Also, Service Canada and/or Service Ontario would be good there. "
- More clinic space because we need more doctors for those who don't currently have a family doctor.
- Both social & recreational focus for seniors would be beneficial. Social gatherings that will give the community a chance to meet & get acquainted.
- I think one or two rooms dedicated to use 12 step programs such as Adult Children of Alcoholics, Al-anon, Overaters Anonymous AA and NA would be of benefit to the larger community.
- Brief, short-term addictions and mental health services (eg. screening and assessment)
- Library, gym, gathering space for group initiatives
- I think any and all positive activities would help foster a stronger community.
- I dont believe this is a good idea. It will bring homeless people who are high on drugs and who are staying in tents and ruining our community. The Grenville subdivision is right behind where I own and it is a very nice high end area. This will severely impact safe living and values
- I do not have any interest in using this space beyond a clinic.
- YMCA, library, swimming, childcare facility, before and after care faciikty
- similar to the seniors center
- Programs that support community connection, peer support, access to specialized vocational or job readiness training. Programs that are open ended, provide input and access to specialized health or mental health consultants.

**Question 5: What feedback do you have specific to the supportive transitional housing aspect of the project?**

- I hope that those who are unable to progress in the transitional housing program will be offered a place in long term supportive housing. and not turned out onto the street.
- Much like many other in the area, there is a deep concern for the surrounding area to become a place of homelessness support. Although necessary, I do not believe this is the correct location for this purpose. In my year of living here and working downtown, I have seen the area in [REDACTED]. This is not what I want to see in an area that my family just moved to.
- Putting education out in the community so people are less fearful. Ensuring the area around the building is kept clean and clear of debris, garbage, tents etc. as this is a common fear.
- Transitional housing is the piece missing to move people along the housing continuum. The target group for QMR is one that is in need in this community and this project will make a significant difference in meeting the overall housing needs of people in the community.
- On a purely selfish note I fear that this housing will devalue my property in the area and increase crime (which is steadily rising.)

- I fear the city is creating a massive problem. The [REDACTED] group homes disbursed throughout the city are a much better model. I owned a home 3 doors from such a group home for several years; it fit in very well.
- I am curious on the age demographic. What about individuals under 55
- I think it is needed and would like to see it done right, as in for the well being of those in need, those working with them and those living around them
- I am somewhat concerned that this area of the city would not be suitable for transitional housing. If there was a guarantee that those being served would not disrupt the other services in the complex or the densely populated neighbourhood that exists in the area, sure. But I don't think that's possible.
- A very bad idea for this neighborhood. Especially in combination with safe drug injection side
- We need SO MUCH MORE of it.
- I really like the idea of having a hub that serves the most vulnerable. I know that my husband has been told he should access medical care at this facility when he retires from the military. It will be interesting to see the mix of people who use this site and how that will all work. Biases may limit some people from accessing this facility. Ensuring that equity for those who are in greatest need should be the primary goal ... but that may not be easy to achieve when the citizens of Kingston are not that comfortable with people who do not fit their idea of who should be living in the area.
- what will providence care downtown become would it be more suitable as everything is already there when they move
- I like it would be for older people, retirees but 35 people seems like a lot, I think 20 is a better number. The biggest concern is bringing a criminal element to the neighborhood, and the safety of neighborhood and anyone else using the other spaces at the location. There needs to be proper screening to qualify and rules about who is allowed to be in the transitional space. AND, a guarantee that the type of transitional resident is not change, i.e., in 2 months it is open to a less desirable group just because the municipal government changed their mind.
- This type of service is necessary for our community, but should not be co-located with a clinic or recreation facility. We all know there will be challenges with some of the residents in transitional housing. I wouldn't make use of the recreational/leisure facilities if it was located alongside the transitional housing unit because of safety and the real possibility of a negative experience with a probably small number of transitional housing residents who are involved with drugs.. I would avoid using the clinic for the same reason.
- The Supportive Transitional Housing brings a big negative cloud that will likely lead to the entire QMR facility quickly developing a negative stigma.
- I think the partners involved are good. It will take alot of worr to reassure local residents; wish there were more spaces
- Is there space for pets of the people coming? That's been an issue
- It's necessary. I support it but I just hope it is implemented better than the other programs have been. It scary to think if I would ever need to rely on these services where would I end up?
- Badly needed. Sounds like a great idea.

- Go for it and don't let the naysayers drive your agenda.
- I asked this (on paper) at the Info Session - but if someone is admitted to the transitional housing program, and does not successfully progress - what happens when they're asked to leave; and don't want to go to an emergency shelter? Specifically - if someone leaves 309 Queen Mary for whatever reason - is removed from the program, are they allowed back into their unit until their next location is identified ... can you guarantee that no one will be left standing outside (Queen Mary /Bath) with nowhere to go?
- Transitional housing at this location is a very slippery slope. If the clinic or 'community space' doesn't work the plan would be to make an it an entire building for transitional care. LOOK at what just happened at the ICH. If you allow this location to become anything similar this community will continue to fight for our own personal safety, the value of our homes, our beloved conservation area, and all of the schools around the area. Not fully considering the magnitude of what could happen here is negligent.
- I think that it is an excellent proposal. It is an opportunity to help people learn to live in a community - problems will occur and learning to cope with neighbours is critical.
- We have limited knowledge provided about Transitional Housing, questions asked at Community info session on 23 Sep 2024 were unclear on things ie once a resident has signed the contract and violated the contract, are they given more changes, or more strike and out. If they are paying nominal rent as stated at the info session then contracted terminate for end of a current month, what happens if they are notified of termination part way through the month to vacate at the end. They might then be revengeful and more problematic to the residents of the site and residents of the surrounding community!! No clear answers were provided.
- I question what you class as SUPPORTIVE transitional housing, is there housing available for this population to transfer into if not is this going to become a long-term care home
- Why is there an age limit for those that need this? There are far more than 35 human beings in this city that are in dire need of transitional housing
- I think this is an excellent use of this space, and with the associated primary care clinic and community room, I think it will supply excellent support to this population in a way that is safe for the neighbourhood.
- It would be nice to see some evidence of positive outcomes of individuals who have successfully navigated through the transitional housing model. As well, with the affordable housing crisis being a driver of unstable housing- how is eligibility established for individuals qualifying for transitional housing ?
- No illegal drug use! Rules and restrictions strongly enforced. Police presence and or security.Safety for those in the area should be the #1 priority
- "I think that putting money and time into supportive housing is the way to go -the traditional shelter system does not work. People need shelter AND the wrap around services in order to be pro-social. Just giving someone a bed to sleep in overnight and then kicking them out in the morning does not work. Where do they go in the day if it is hot? cold? raining? snowing? People need shelter 24 hours a

day-not just overnight. They need support. They need community. That is why the HUB is so popular and the traditional shelters are empty. The people who are vulnerable who most need the shelter do not use it because they are being preyed on by others. You have to meet people where they are-not where you think they should be.

- The problem I have with this particular site for transitional housing is the size! I realize other transitional housing sites in Kingston work well but, they have fewer beds! The number of beds at 309 QMR has never been tried in Kingston before.
- Not the right location
- Kingston clearly needs more such supports and i am highly in favour. HBH has a great deal of experience. Location is handy to employment and other services downtown and in western suburbs.
- I think it's a wonderful idea. Makes sense to have it along with health care.
- Given its proximity to residential neighborhoods/elementary school I think this would be a better site for families in need of transitional housing than the proposed 55+ demographic.
- A portion of the housing should be set aside for male victims of domestic abuse. Currently the nearest supports for male DV victims is in Toronto. There's nowhere for us to go if needed.
- Glad to see it's available to 55+ as there seems to be a gap in local services for the aging population. I do not feel this area is appropriate for a shelter as originally proposed, happy to see the plan has been revised to a transitional housing model.
- Supports during the transitional phase are necessary if the cycle of homelessness is to be disrupted and assistance in finding permanent housing is critical.
- Why limited to people aged 55+? If people using the transitional housing are found using illegal drugs will they still be allowed to stay?
- I think it's a widely misunderstood aspect of the project. I learned a lot at the city meeting I didn't know before, including where it sits on the spectrum (or even that there was a spectrum of housing that encompassed 8 stages. The fact that Queen Mary Rd doesn't start at the extreme end of the spectrum, but at the point where its residents are actively trying to improve their lives increases its overall success rate for them. The wording around the staff support is a little confusing to me - I'm not sure if this means support for the staff is always available, or that there are staff who are there 24/7 to support the residents. Maybe that's the same thing.
- Transitional housing for the age bracket of 55+ sounds more like a long term care situation.
- I would love to see a real push to get people to stop smoking. So many people who don't have money for housing or food are still wasting money on cigarettes and alcohol. In return for housing and services they should have daily jobs such as cleaning, cooking, gardening or snow shovelling.
- If there is any hint of so-called safe drug use in this project that I am against it. We do not want a repeat of what went down and is still going down on Montreal Street in our neighborhood. You said it wouldn't happen on Montreal Street and it

did, so the trust in the city government is an old time low. Also, this neighbourhood has a high concentration of low income housing Already.

- A daycare would be a better use of the space. Transitional housing is the part that seems like a misfit for the site.
- Concerned the residents will not get enough or proper help and gravitate to living in a tent city in the woods nearby. Do we have enough social services to look after people? How are they chosen to live here? Are they willing to receive services and hopefully move on with their lives if given help? Do they understand and will abide by rules that will be in place to live there before moving in.
- Why is it being restricted to ages 55+? Seems to me that it should be possible to accommodate more than 35 people. The current building is quite inefficient from a land use viewpoint, perhaps extensions or outbuildings should be considered.
- I wonder what benefit it offers to be in the same building as the clinic, couldn't you have multiple buildings built - this would also provide long-term flexibility if the space needs to be repurposed.
- 35 people seems like a lot to shelter in one space.
- I think this sounds like a great idea. The best way to help people is to keep them integrated in society.
- that the individuals are housed within the facility and that an encampment in the surrounding grounds will not be allowed to happen
- Great! People need homes.
- This is a great idea and we should do more projects like this.
- Do not offer any manner of transitional housing
- I think a priority focus should be on homeless seniors, the cost of living is nearly impossible with only government assistance for seniors. Then finding ways to reintegrating them into society with part time jobs to create a more healthy social environment.
- Very supportive of this project. The city has let the housing and mental health situation get out of control. They have now made it worse by demolishing belle park. Surprisingly this did not make the people disappear but it's now spread out all over downtown. I live within walking distance of the ICH. It's now much scarier and there's more garbage everywhere in such a short time.
- Not appropriate for this site.
- I am fully supportive.
- Safe injection sites do not work. Case in point...the integrated care hub debacle.
- I am in full support of supportive transitional housing that is fully staffed and has supervision. I think there should be strict rules around sobriety so it is a safe and secure place for all to live. It would be important to have the proper supports in place for any persons who will reside there.
- This is an important project. I fully support it
- This type of housing is very needed in our community. The building is well suited and the location is good for access to other community services like groceries and pharmacy.
- I think transitional housing for 55+ is an excellent idea. People in that age group have more medical needs, and have more difficulty living in most shelters than a young person would. Sleep problems, health issues, chronic pain, etc, make it

much more difficult to use a typical homeless shelter. However, I don't think it would be a good idea to allow people in active addiction to be admitted into the transitional housing. They should need to be clean of drugs and alcohol for at least 6 mos before they're allowed to apply.

- To be used only for the purposes outlined at the public meeting and not for short term housing for anyone using drugs of any sort. Ensure there is 24/7 staffing and prevent any open space in the immediate area from being used as a tent city.
- Tipi Moza transitional housing, a real success story
- We keep hearing about seniors over 55 but we all know very well that this is the age group which has a lot of addition issues. Although you do not allow drugs or alcohol, that is where the concern comes in. Is an encampment, going to be allowed outside of the property. We are next to the conservation area and it could become a serious issue.
- Use for people with wheelchairs, walkers, elderly, sever health problems
- I am not in favour of any kind of transitional housing whatsoever at this location.
- No drugs should be allowed, only medicinal and with a prescription. This includes alcohol and marijuana. Have a clean and sober living space with supports.
- This is the wrong location for ""Transitional housing.""
- A significant portion of homeless people suffer from mental issues and substance abuse.
- The accompanying undesirable behaviour and threat to private homes in a neighborhood like this which is comprised of families and children couldn't be a worse idea."
- Where are these people transitioning to if theres not enough housing already. What is the goal for these people?
- I am 100% support of the transitional housing aspect for this property. I live in [REDACTED]
- Supportive housing has not been too successful in the past. The residents need to have some 'tough love' rules enforced and made to sign a contract of behaviour and what is expected of them. Teach them how to clean, run a home, budget, cook a few simple meals and attend self-help groups.
- As I said above, it sounds like a kludge to add transitional housing to a primary care clinic. My main concern is the population that will be served, if this a group of people that require additional health care because they're home is inadequate, that would be fine. However, it sounds like it is more aimed at those with severe mental health and addiction issues and I am concerned about the impact it will have on the local community if this is not contained with the housing setting, for example if it attracts encampments, or if people start having outbursts in public where there are a lot of children, etc. To that end, it is absolutely critical that the primary health care clinic really is aimed at serving the population without being focused on those with specific issues around mental health and addiction, so that this does not become some sort of hub for these issues. That would have a negative impact on the residential community. So far, I am very skeptical that the population that will be served really is ""transitional"", along the 18 months that was advertised. Finally, I am extremely skeptical of the fact that at the

presentation it was said that there would be no impact on operating funds from the City. Clearly this will require operating funds to be well-managed.

- I think it is a grand idea. We live [REDACTED] and they have both been a wonderful addition to our neighbourhood.
- There is a desperate need to provide people in our community with a safe, comfortable place to live. I wholly support the provision of rooms for up to 35 people at this location. I'm sure Home Base Housing has a code of conduct for residents, and I sincerely hope that any tenant who is unable to abide by these rules would not be allowed to stay. It would be reassuring to community members to know, for example, that a tenant would be evicted if he or she were abusive or violent, brought overnight guests to their room, or openly sold drugs. The safety of all tenants and staff must obviously be a priority.
- I do not believe that it will work for the term specified that the residents will stay and live there! They will not relocate or find suitable housing after temporarily being assigned to these units. They will just permanently move in!
- How successful are Tipi Mosa, Dawn House, and Ryandale? How will you measure the success of Home Base Housing?
- I fully support this and hope part of the planning for transitional housing is education and outreach to the neighbourhoods nearby to try to decrease stigma against residents
- I hope that this housing is not in addition to the one planned at [REDACTED]. Our neighbourhood is already filled with apartments for special needs residents. It is not an option to increase the density of this over populated small area of Kingston.
- At one of the City's presentations, Ryandale was used as the example of successful STH in Kingston. However, Ryandale is a sober facility as the City knows and one that houses a maximum of 8 residents, so perhaps this is one of the reasons why the Ryandale model works. The City needs to make sobriety a condition of residence while providing motivational programming to keep residents on track.
- I would want the safety and security of the existing neighborhood to be a priority. Drug users and suppliers, transients and any other criminal elements would be unacceptable
- Absolutely essential, except for the definition of "transitional." Sometimes transitional means there's a maximum stay limit, so something like you can live here for a year and then we kick you out. The maximum stay limit doesn't actually help to reduce or end homelessness, since you'd be kicking those people back to the street. But the supportive part of housing is completely needed for Kingston, there's a huge lack.
- Transitional housing offers a step to independence and I'm happy to see a new option in the city.
- I wholeheartedly support this program. People need somewhere to live that makes them feel safe, where they are able to get healthy, and where they are finally able to use their energies on their dreams rather than survival.

- where will these 35 people aged 55 plus go after the 18 months in the transitional housing? At the meeting it was mentioned that vocational training will be provided, how realistic is this ?
- After meeting with the Home Base Housing team at the Sep 23rd left Witt the feeling that they were not able to show me they could successfully run this operation. The only examples they provided were of shelters and there was a gentleman who attended with photographic proof showing one of their current locations surrounded by encampment dwellers. This made me feel further unsafe and worried that HBH and this proposed transitional housing will jeopardize my safety, the safety of my community and be a negative addition to our neighborhood. They were not able to provide any reassuring answers at the event that they or the city would protect current residents, property and value in our homes. The seniors of our community are scared of what the future holds for us with this plan.
- I wish Home Base Housing the best of luck and hope they continue to receive sufficient financial support to do their work.
- I attended the public information session in late September. It was informative and I left being more supportive of the project. I think, however, that there is still a lot of misunderstanding about the operation of the transitional housing project so more public information sessions are probably warranted. (N.B. At any future presentations, please don't use detailed power point presentations that virtually no-one in the room can see or read as was the case at the September presentation. And, the presenter shouldn't have her back to the audience for most of the presentation. And, although, the host encouraged us to take notes, it was impossible because all the lights were turned off!!)
- I am not interested in transitional housing in this community. Period
- This statement gives me a better feeling about the QMR facility: "Consumption Treatment Services (safe injection) are not part of the services offered"
- My main concern about this aspect of the project is that there will be a number of people living in the neighborhood with potentially nothing to do but wander randomly around the area.
- What is going to take place in terms of planning for transitioning people out? There is nowhere that someone on ODSP can rent affordably after their time in the program is complete. We need to also have in place solutions on this end of the service model for it to be successful. I am also not clear on the level of needs and population this is intended to serve to be able to comment more thoughtfully.
- I am supportive of the present plans with a focus on those aged 55+
- Housing is a big issue in our community and this seems like a reasonable use of the space.
- As someone who lives less than a block away from a Tipi Moza operated facility, I am pleased to say they do an excellent job. I cannot comment on the proposed operator for this new facility.
- I am fully supportive of transitional housing.
- Greatly needed, too bad area residents nixed safe consumption, but that may be a good thing, as many recovering addicts will want to be NOT AROUND drugs too.



- I welcome it wholeheartedly. There is a lot of fear based in ignorance and misinformation around this issue. The QMR project is an opportunity for us to lead and grow as a community.
- Do not put an artificial time limit on this transitional housing. Folks need to feel SECURE.
- I support this aspect 100%
- The Q& A session with Home Base Housing was entirely unhelpful. Aside from the watered-down responses we have heard from the city for months "55+ with special health issues" they were not able to provide specific answers to questions such as : who will be living at 309, what is the criteria for residency, will drug addicted residents be welcome there". The ED's replies seemed disjointed and he made light of a lot of very important questions that were raised by the community. He had no response regarding how potential encampments outside the facility would be handled, nor did he seem to care. Providing only examples of shelters makes this completely unhelpful, unless this is in fact going to be a shelter? If you are not able to provide examples that HBH can and does run transitional housing successfully at this scale, then why have they been selected for this project? I left this "meeting" with very little faith that this organization has an actual plan, staff or care to run this project successfully - not only for the residents but for the surrounding community, which should also matter.
- Frankly, this is the part of the project that makes the community nervous .I fully believe there is a significant need to provide transitional housing for those aged 55+ so that they can receive care, assessment, services - and then access long term housing that best suits their needs. The community is concerned about garbage and debris, about disruptive or antisocial behaviour, and about people in crisis who may behave aggressively. I think that risk is very minimal with the population of adults 55+ BUT the community really needs to feel confident that this kind of use IS the reality, and that there will not be piles of debris around the site, and that those accessing the site for other programming and primary healthcare will not feel uncomfortable, afraid or worry about feeling threatened when they come to the site. This is the uncomfortable reality - people seeking healthcare or attending programs - especially elderly, disabled or with young children - do not want to confront circumstances that they find threatening, or fear for the safety of themselves and their belongings.
- Giving vulnerable people a place to live is a great initiative. Protecting the current homeowners and residents of the area is just as important.
- Sounds wonderful.
- Need to ensure that at least one permanent full time experienced staff member is on at all times. Ensure that residents conform to the rules/conditions as set out in their contracts. Make sure that the registered residents are they only occupants and that programs are available to assist them in transitioning back to mainstream society.
- I think this is an excellent idea! I wish there was more space allocated for transitional housing and other assisted living programs.
- That it not turn into another hub area. It will need police presence often throughout the day and night.

- Very needed!
- Model for much more non-market owned housing, with wellness supports for those struggling to access market-based
- I hope the housing is available quickly, this is a very urgent need.
- With the amount of discriminatory and derogatory remarks by prominent public officials and how this has emboldened community members to protest and publicly voice their discrimination against poor people unchallenged, I think that it would be necessary for the city to set an example and apologize for the historical and current derogatory and stigmatizing remarks that they, councillors and the mayor have made about poor and homeless residents.
- It is also important for the city to invest in high quality public education about the dangers of discrimination against poor and homeless people as a way to take steps to repair the relationship between the city, housed residents and the poor and homeless residents of Kingston. I fear that the residents of the transitional home area may be targeted by vociferous and hateful housed residents and the transitional home residents must be safe-guarded from harassment and violence.
- Don't want it this area right now is full of inmates from the minimum prison and the halfway house across the road they walk by there every day this type of housing will become a drug haven plus it will bring tent city like Montreal street plus will bring down the price of my house which is right next door would you like it right beside your house with your kids I don't think so.
- it's necessary for the city and this will be a valuable location for the services required.
- Glad that it is for people 55+. I'm concerned that the K&P trail/land around the development will be used by homeless people as a place to live/camp/use drugs etc.
- Good idea. We need this
- I think this is absolutely fantastic that this will be offered.
- I fully support more transitional housing in Kingston and having Home Base Housing lead the project.
- I am very curious as to what "supportive transitional housing" actually means? What will the criteria be to access this housing option. Will it be a drug/alcohol free establishment? If so, how do you propose to ensure it is? I think you are fooling yourselves and the community if you think you can police drug and alcohol consumption on site and maintain individual rights to privacy. How long will they have to transition? I am also very concerned that the City will pull funding from this project of transitional housing as they have in the past.
- The City of Kingston does not have a good (or humane) track record in looking after its most vulnerable and I have doubts it will in the future.
- Considering the housing crisis in Kingston, the city should be more focused on creating these kinds of housing solutions.
- everyone deserves to have a place to live & feel safe
- This is not an optimal location for this type of housing. Listen to the immediate neighbours!
- Transitional housing for seniors, families and youth is greatly needed
- Sounds great to me!

- Why not make this permanent housing for those ages 55 plus? Why are they in transitional housing to begin with - eg if severe addiction/mental illness. I do not see how they can transition to living full time on their own.
- I'm very supportive as long as the space is supervised and we don't have the problems (overt drug use, littering, etc.) encountered at Belle Park.
- It needs an experienced provider. This type of housing is so important - examples, John Howard Society, Dawn Women's transitional housing, Homes for Heroes - rather intensive in terms of staff and money - but needed
- Once again, very much needed
- It is important to go into the project with eyes wide open. Look at the shelters managed by Home Base Housing, and ask the nearby residents how their lives have been impacted by the shelters. It is important to support the local residents around Queen Mary Rd / Grenville Park to ensure that their homes stay safe and secure, just as it is important to create a safe and secure place for the people in transitional housing.
- I am still not clear on who will be eligible for this transitional housing. Previous communication has said age 55 AND mobility challenged. This message is not conveyed above. I am concerned for safety in the neighbourhood if 35 people with mental health challenges (which often includes substance use) but who are physically well, are housed together. Please address this and continue the dialogue with the nearby neighbourhoods."
- Great idea, with enforcement of public use of surrounding parkland to ensure support only within the facility.
- It seems to me that there is not as much transitional housing available for single individuals between 30 and 50 who don't identify as Indigenous or requiring shelter from an abusive relationship. Keeping enrollment for housing as open as possible to meet more general needs is importantly. I'm very much in support of transitional help for detoxification.
- Perfect and the community space can enhance this transitional housing to provide expanded and non traditional services.
- It is essential
- Housing is a critical first step towards re-integration into normal community life.
- I am all for this as long as it doesn't encourage/allow encampments nearby.
- This worries me the most. Funding is essential for people in transition and absolutely central to that is knowing it will be sustained. We do so, so, so poorly at that. We're just putting a band-aid on a hemorrhage. Unless these folks are secure that this will be a lasting endeavor? Don't. Just don't!!
- I fully support it.
- However the City must address the plight of people without homes. There is no logic in dealing with it as was done at the HUB and just closing the site!
- That was a totally inappropriate response to a problem."
- It is very likely this will destroy the peace of the neighbouring community and devalue their homes
- This still sounds as though you would be moving problems from other areas to QMR, which has up until now been a peaceful residential area.

- The more you can get the neighbours in to use parts of the place, the better. However, it will require that all the surprises that come along are gentle and few.
- I am happy to see that transitional housing is being spread in all areas of the city
- Transitional housing should prioritize women w/ children, then single women. Non-voluntary institutionalized care for the homeless that cannot function on their own.
- It sounds like a great opportunity for those 55+ who have found themselves without a place to live, is my understanding and that this will help them get to the point where they can transition to an apartment or home of some sort such as community housing or wait for a space in a Long term care facility. Not sure but this is my take on it. :)
- I am extremely concerned on the people it will bring to this area. It is very important not to bring in individuals who are attracted to the HUB, cannot be a safe injection site. I fear it will become another HUB type location quickly. We have not demonstrated that the groups responsible for high risk can manage these individuals and costs continue to escalate with the damage it brings financially and to the safety and security of our neighborhood.
- transitional housing should be transitional, with the emphasis on transition to the permanent living situation
- I think families with children should have priority so that they can get benefits from other resources there.
- Totally support transitional housing if it provides easy access, a wide variety of transitional services provided by knowledgeable and compassionate staff.
- No addiction services transition
- Good place for housing for people with developmental issues to transition. Home base is mostly shelters and this would be inappropriate clientele "
- We need more support especially for folk that have difficulty in conventional housing.
- A location that protects tenants and those supported from drug dealers and criminal elements is much needed. "
- Now that this is being explained to me, it sounds very worthwhile. So many people don't have the basic life skills necessary to live independently- financial literacy, cooking skills, nutrition information, personal hygiene. Transitional housing sounds like a great solution.
- This is not a location to support transitional housing.
- Sounds like a great idea but I am worried that the age range is too restrictive.
- support needed for children and seniors
- This is excellent
- I think as long as density isn't too high in any one location, we are okay. Ensure HBH works with other agencies, that many eyes are involved.
- I like that older people are part of the plans. I am happy that no drug use would be tolerated. But I still worry about homeless drug users could camp out behind the building.
- I don't have an issue with the transitional housing aspect of the project so long as it has a security aspect to it to maintain continued privacy and safety to the residents who have been living very close to that location for many years. As

much as I don't have an issue with transitional housing of the project, if it is operated like [REDACTED], but when it has flow-over and negatively affects the residents in the neighbouring areas like Grenville Park, then it needs to have rules set in place. Rules being that any disregard to the security and privacy of the residents in the neighbouring areas as was done in areas around Belle Park, will result in those violators being evicted from the transitional housing residence.

- I had a positive reaction to the proposal from the public information session. It would be great to know the success rate of similar projects.
- It has to be adequately staffed. Social programs to involve the wider neighbourhood would help to mitigate the them vs us mentality of some of the critics ie an art room, an informal cafe with games and library, maybe some collaboration with the Kingston Seniors Centre.
- accommodations should be mostly furnished and ready to go
- Excellent initiative, particularly given the apparent failure of the Crossroads initiative, which was itself an inadequate response to the magnitude of the problem. Pursue this aggressively.
- Greatly in support of this
- Housing is key, I have a little experience with the homes for heroes project, and believe the same type of model could work. I believe giving people the chance to have a warm bed to sleep in, a means to keep them selves and their clothes clean, and have food. Will go along way in helping people get back on track. I see some speed bumps with substance abuse, and the battle to help those effected to stop. But i fully support this.
- I do not believe that this has anything to do with a clinic. We NEED more doctors and clinics. We do NOT need more homeless shelters in urban areas. This will draw the wrong crowd to a very nice area and become dangerous for families and home owners
- I support transitional housing for people who deserve a hand-up and will take advantage of the program (ie who can really move out to their own place). Use a proper selection process. For example, from what I recently read, the sleeping cabins have a very poor transition rate (10% of less) with more people ending up in jail, back on the streets, etc., than finding a home I do not want an ICH encampment. I do not want drug users who really do not want to kick their habit or people with mental health issues who are dangerous to themselves or others.
- I do not support this type of program so close to a beautiful, desirable residential neighbourhood.
- I think this is in the wrong area
- This level of transition is needed. It is not proposed to be permanent housing, which is a good plan. Strategies and resources to help individuals move to more permanent housing will be important so that a limited capacity does not fill up and become unavailable for others.

**Question 6: Do you have comments about the QMR Project that are outside of the scope of the transitional support housing, primary health care clinic or community use opportunities?**

- Are there any preventative and ongoing measures in place to secure the surrounding area and protect it from becoming another encampment.
- This is an excellent repurposing of this facility, one that will meet some very important needs in this community.
- There needs to be something in place to prevent further littering or misuse of the surrounding greenspace. It is a regular occurrence to come across people camping, having fires, littering (small refuse and large items like tvs). The greenspace is a fantastic resource in the area, and could be of great value to some of the possible community programming (e.g., forest bathing, guided walks, etc.).
- The City has gone through the motions of perceiving to be transparent in its decision-making process for this project. It was decided months ago what was going to be built and engaging the public's opinions has been a farce. The average homeowner is not supported by our local government. We are just an unwilling monetary component.
- I don't think so, I feel a negativity about the project came first and I would like to be open minded for the community as a Realtor
- Related to the previous question, I would think geared-to-income housing would be a suitable part of the project.
- You already destroyed one neighborhood with the integrated care hub, and now you want to ruin another one? This is by far the worst idea you have had.
- no homeless encampments Kingston is too generous over the past 30 years as it is
- I think it is a great idea ... how it works in reality will be interesting to see. I suspect that there is going to be a lot of social issues before the QMR is accepted. I am hopeful that it will have the intended effect for those in need. But I have seen all too often that when people in serious need are given opportunities when others are in a similar, but lesser need, demands for "equity" for those in lesser need often win out ... leaving those in greatest need right back where they were before. Sadly, the attitude of "why should they get that"? is alive and well in Kingston.
- Safety and security for the neighborhood and people using the facility. Maybe adding a police remote office would be nice. I lived in a neighborhood where there was a police office in a combined space, giving visibility and support to the neighborhood. That might be nice here as well.
- I'm curious if there will be an expansion on this building or will it be contained in the same footprint as it is now.
- I feel the city caved to intense pressure from the Grenville Park residents in limiting the scope of the project. That is regrettable considering current issues.
- I know people have a problem with the location but honestly no matter where you place a facility like this it will have people who don't want it there. and I think you will find that most of the people who are most concerned about it are people who have never had to deal with needing these resources in anyway shape or form. They are privileged. I am also privileged but I recognize the needs of the community affect us all and we are headed for a scary future if we do not look after one another.

- None at this time, except to supply a detailed prospectus with funding and use expectations.
- "I love the idea, and am very supportive of piloting a program of this type. Based on the limited availability of space in the emergency shelters - it's clearly needed (if we assume some folk taking beds in shelters could qualify and 'transition' out of being unhoused).
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- As with any pilot - I think it would help the community come around to the idea if there were 'post launch' check-in milestones? 1yr in - what's gone well; what could be improved; ideas for expansion/adjustment, etc.?"
- Again, this is a great project and idea, and an excellent use of the existing facility. NIMBYism doesn't solve anything, projects like this does.
- Our community wants a guarantee that what has happened at the current ICH will not happen at this location. Please just stand up and do the right thing for once - tell us we'll be safe. Tell us if there are issues, they will be dealt with. Tell us how you'll deal with the concerns and questions we've been asking about for no months. It honestly just makes each of you look like cold and uncaring people - you are the people we voted for. We trust you to keep us safe. Ask yourself an honest question - would you want this to move in beside your home? You should be considering the security risks, the crime risks, and the increased chances of drug use in the area. We will NOT stand for any such behaviour, so please take this into consideration when making these plans. You haven't successfully shown you can do this - please understand our concerns.
- The location is excellent - it is somewhat isolated from "neighbours", but is not far from many services.
- Are Fire and Police staffed enough to respond to the area when needed? Will they be bound to legal restrictions as at the current ICH where they cannot remove folks or encampments as need for those posing a risk to safety and security of others. We have no guarantees from the City that the initial number of residents housed will not increase as they see fit or that the site won't become a supposed safe injection site or encampment area down the trail adjacent! Too many questions have gone unanswered, it is a project doomed to failure the same as the current ICH. The money is not being properly applied to give folks the help they need to be successful and those who don't want help and don't want to follow the rules pose the risk to all!
- Does the QMR project have protocols in place for those that will not follow the rules and requirements in order to stay in this facility? Do you have plans to keep the surrounding communities safe and free of encampments? Will there be on site and area security? Will this become a soup kitchen? Will this project devolve into the same type of environment that we currently have around the ICH and the home based housing office sites?
- The common use section should be scraped in order to add more social, mental, and access to these services including addiction related needs
- There is a LOT of misinformation floating around about the project and some stories (the transitional housing will be a safe injection site, etc) seem to persist. Not sure how to reduce this except by just starting the project up and letting it

run, but perhaps more news coverage would be good, especially on local radio and other locations.

- Do not let the adjacent conservation area and path become a tent city like Belle park. Everything should be done to ensure this doesn't happen and that nobody is camping or doing drugs in this area!!!! Can't stress how important this is!!!!
- Provide ample security from the beginning-be proactive in policing so that neighbours do not have a chance to blame the users of the project for misdeeds. Meet with the unhoused and the community groups that serve them and find out what their ACTUAL needs are and propose solutions, work with them instead of dictating to them. Again, that is why the HUB model has saved so many lives. There are problems, yes. But there are also success stories due to the ICH, the HUB and the many community groups that help out.
- The health clinic makes sense. The transitional housing and community space don't.
- I am extremely concerned about my safety and that of the neighborhood especially given the events of Sept 12th in the Montreal St. area. As a senior living alone at 358 QMR I want some assurance that there is a plan to protect the citizens and their property. I would also like legal assurance that none of the services offered at the ICH will be moved to 309 QMR. It has never been made clear to the neighborhood who would be responsible for the removal of any encampments that spring up. I understand that they are not allowed to put a tent up on private property or the conservation area or city property but who enforces this? Who actually removes the structures and the garbage left behind? I understand that the mayor and the majority of the city councilors are relieved that 309 QMR isn't in their neighborhood but, be assured, I will make my displeasure known in the next municipal election!!
- I think it's a great use of the building
- Stay strong in the face of the NIMBYs in the area. They have proven their indignant privilege often enough.
- I do not think this area is appropriate for a shelter of any kind (lack of any associated services nearby, no designated space to spend your time outside, area packed with families & children, etc) but am still concerned about what may become of the conservation area behind this new location. Transitional housing may encourage unhoused population to migrate to this area by association, and fill the conservation area nearby. I have concerns about safety for children & families who would like to continue to benefit from living in this area and having a piece of nature to immerse themselves in. I should hope that [REDACTED] and those working on this project are prepared to ensure this area does not soon become like that of Belle Park. I am in FULL support of a safe consumption site and the services that ICH offer, but again, do not feel that this area is the ideal spot for a replication of what's going on at that location due to the sheer volume of the concentrated population in this area already, and especially the number of children.
- No, not really. I thought it was a good idea when it was first mentioned and now that I know a lot more about the ins and outs of the project, I'm obviously still very much in favour. The idea of having that building otherwise sit vacant, which in



my mind would tend to attract the same bad actors any abandoned building attracts, would have been enough to convince me to give the idea a shot. I find the idea of having this sort of wraparound transitional service in my neighbourhood about as threatening as having a retirement home in it.

- Maybe consider transitional housing at this location for a younger age demographic that may have the inspiration to move out and up in life. I also think it would be a great opportunity for staff quarters to be onsite so there truly is 24/7 staffing always.
- The small group of residents from [REDACTED] who have been picketing against this plan don't speak for the majority. Obviously there are many more people who live in these two buildings. Those few constantly complaining about the QMR Project believe only in themselves, won't be told what to do or follow the rules set out for all of us.
- I think most of it should be a primary health care clinic as medical care is sadly lacking in Kingston. Not sure that this is the best place for transitional support as I don't feel many people actually transition to a better life. Would like to see more partnerships with Habitat housing.
- I am not sure what the boundaries of the lot are. Some of this should probably be dedicated to some private outdoor space for the transition housing, and some could be part of the community uses (community garden, small sports facilities, playground), if any is remaining after these uses it should either be turned in to a public park or housing.
- I would support what the city has proposed for the site as long as there are safeguards in place to protect the surrounding community and that what has been suggested in this operational plan will not change after implementation. My fear is that we will end up with the same kind of situation the residents of the north end have have to endure over the past several years with the ICH on Montreal street.
- This all sounds great.
- This is a great initiative. We need more projects like this. We also need more housing for the houseless... Kingston has been moving in the wrong direction on helping houseless / addicts and other strongly disadvantaged groups. I am appalled by how the recent interventions on Montreal St. displaced people who have been abandoned by society, all so the mayor can play games with the NIMBY crowd.
- Do not bring services targeted to the homeless, victims of addition or mental health ailments to this site
- Please just keep our community safe and thriving, we love living here, we love the pathway systems and the parks that surround our neighbourhood. Our toddler deserves safe places to play close to home without having to search for drug paraphernalia before confidently playing.
- The QMR is very much needed for Kingston but is a long-term solution for an immediate problem. Emergency response is needed to address the issues that are a direct result of [REDCATED] city councils lack of appropriate action
- I welcome the opportunity to provide feedback. A lot of misinformation and suspicion has circulated in our neighbourhood, mainly driven by people from

outside the neighbourhood as far as I can tell. Please keep communicating energetically and transparently, and follow through on your commitments: that is what will reassure people.

- Kingston should have been more forthcoming of its intentions prior to the purchase. Bait and switch is irresponsible government.
- There needs to be clear communication as to who will live here and what processes will be in place to support those who will be living there. The surrounding neighbourhoods are confused about the proposed use of the space and the rumour mill has citizens on edge. If you want this to succeed you must insure that neighbouring communities are not impacted negatively.
- I fully support every aspect of this project. It is a great model for future initiatives. Once it is complete, keep going. The city must get more and more involved in providing affordable housing all over the city, especially for vulnerable and marginalized people
- No, I live in the immediate community and support the development.
- The city staff keeps telling us it will not become the Hub from Montreal Street but now that it has closed, we are more concerned about the safety of our residents in the area. Cars being broken into, vandalism, attacks, theft. What are you doing for our security. We are not just apartment buildings, we are condominium buildings, we have mortgages and pay taxes like many of you. We have not been considered once by the staff and we have many concerns for our safety.
- "It should have just been maintained as a retirement home for low income seniors.....and perhaps a place to house patients that are currently occupying costly hospital beds."
- How much money does this city spend on social housing and when does it stop? The Liberal way is to spend as much money as possible on the least amount of people while the middle class pays for it. Too many expensive projects in Kingston are for the benefit of a very small percentage of people while our infrastructure crumbles around us. This city is too woke and too Liberal, how about we start looking after the people who actually pay the bills?
- Basically, the residents of this area feel it is going to be a disaster and ruination for the whole neighbourhood. It will be another Hub and we will pay the price.
- I would like to see a commitment and clear steps towards forming this oversight committee. How come that work has not started since you are already well into planning the facility?
- I would like to suggest that planting trees, shrubs and flowers around the building with some areas for seating would create a peaceful space for tenants and staff. Naturalized green spaces have been shown to reduce stress and anxiety and I'm sure it would be appreciated.
- The community use opportunities will not be sufficient & the demands will be overwhelming for their operations. The drop in residents will become permanent users & set up living in the immediate residential area. Become another Montreal Street disaster.
- Adamantly opposed because of my concerns with the possibility of creating another HUB!!

- Safety. Bath Rd is an extremely busy highway as witnessed from my place on Bath Rd. There have been many so many accidents and deaths between Sir John A and the railway
- This is very much a family and seniors' safe neighborhood. Please decide carefully what will be added to the fabric. Please don't allow people's homes to be ruined
- This project is a positive step forward, but absolutely just a step. I hope there are plans for safe injection sites at places like this where those experiencing addiction can also begin the journey to a fulfilling life.
- Will the transitional housing be for all or will it be male or female only? Where will a person go if they do not abide by the housing rules?
- It is a slap in the face to the current, tax paying, law abiding citizens, their safety, security and their feelings in any aspect of preparing this project. As a senior citizen with my life savings invested in this community, I've felt completely abandoned, disregarded and disrespected by the city's lack of caring to any concerns the local residents have been issuing from February 2024. It's appalling to be treated as completely unimportant and have absolutely no voice in my future which has been decided for me by people who obviously don't care.
- The final plan for the QMR project came about as a result of the input and hard work of the number of factions. They all contributed to the outcome that is proposed. I commend everyone who stood up and had their say whether they feel like they were heard or not.
- No but I support the concept and proposed plans for the QMR project.
- I don't think it would be a good idea to have a safe injection site at this location
- This project seems to be an excellent re purposing of this special space. Please do consider similar projects in other areas of the city, these supportive places & structures are needed in all areas. Thank you to the city for this creativity and tenacity in pulling this together!
- As I stated in my previous response, I believe that QMR is a giant step in the right direction and a truly golden opportunity for us to heal and grow as a community. I think this will ultimately be a shining example for other communities as well.
- No. Build it now! Move folks in tomorrow! Let's get going.
- Not having a formal Q&A session not only discouraged participation but made sure that everyone didn't get the same answers, perhaps that was the intended plan. You clearly spent a lot of tax payer dollars preparing poster boards of rules for participation and the same vague responses and non-comparable examples, honestly what was the purpose of this event? The most important questions have been asked since February, and even now, when you indicate you have a plan in place, you refuse to answer the questions. At this point, this is unethical, to keep several communities completely in the dark about what bomb you plan to drop. Stop with the rhetoric and tell the truth! You announced 309 was going to be the new hub on Feb 1st and with clever word-play, you are still trying to bring it here. It's really disheartening to know that hard-working, tax paying citizens don't count for anything. Perhaps we all need

to start identifying as "Addicted" and jump on this city gravy train of handouts, I think only then will our voices be heard!

- There is tremendous potential with this site to bring so many needed services to midtown communities. I think the 3-part proposal is excellent - especially when it delivers healthcare and supportive medical and social services directly into these neighbourhoods. It is equally important, however, that the transitional housing model located there does not overwhelm everything else happening on the site. Community members will not access programming and services if they feel uncomfortable or unsafe when they attend the site. It would be grossly unfair to make those seeking primary healthcare contend with debris or aggressive behaviours when they are coming for medical appointments. I have faith that Homebase Housing can deliver an excellent and much needed program for those 55+ that is entirely compatible with the facility as a whole, and the community in general. However, it is crucial that this facility does not experience 'scope creep' and become a site that attracts groups of people who, while in crisis, are 'hanging around' and exhibiting anti-social behaviours, drug use, and causing accumulation of debris.
- The City needs to ensure the safety and security of the residents and the surrounding area by making sure that this property is only used as it has been stated. Any vocational programs provided at this location are for registered participants.
- A community garden and/or Tiny Forest would be great use of any green space. Plus a nice walking path with benches throughout.
- Be considerate of needs of all the citizens that live in the area, not just a select population.
- I'm afraid it will turn into another tent city
- I hope the transitional homes are available as soon as possible. I hope that there will be more efforts made to provide this type of public health, community space and transitional home model available throughout all of the districts of Kingston. I would also like to see consumption treatment services be available in every Kingston district. The city should also be making efforts to support programs that will enable drug users to obtain safe supplies of drugs through a regulated and safe supply chain so they are not reliant on the current unregulated and tainted drug supply. Legalized safe supplies provided through legal channels are a must to combat the deaths due to unsafe supplies and to combat the profiteering organized criminal distribution of unsafe supplies of drugs. People who use drugs must have the ability to obtain safe supplies of drugs through safe supply chains. People who use drugs must have safe places where they can use their drugs safely. You do not need to be addicted to drugs to die from unsafe supplies of drugs, we are experiencing a crisis of unsafe drugs.
- Yes the city should sell it and have apartments or condo's built there.
- Just concerned about keeping the area around Queen Mary Road clear of vagrants/the homeless and whose responsibility is it? The homeless have rights - as do we, the tax paying citizens of Kingston. I'd like to see our rights protected as well.

- I think this a good use of the space and in a good location. You might get some "not in my backyard" folks but I really think the location is great, especially with the value village plaza developing, right on a direct bus line etc.
- Intergenerational contact (volunteer and/or paid) should be foundational to the design and programming of the QMR.
- I have been told that lionhearts will be running laundry and prepping meals at QMR. Can you please clarify if these services will be not be accessible to the public? Primary concern for those in the area is attracting addicts : mentally unstable individuals
- No. It seems like an admirable initiative.
- "With the closing of mental health institutions we have almost no mid stations for people to access mental health care that isn't an acute episode.
- Transitional housing is just that - so people who want to get better and rejoin the family, work, feel healthy and able.
- The most important aspect of the QMR project is safety. The transitional housing needs to be safe for the people living there, people working there, patients going for primary care health, and the community nearby. Please consider this in all planning. Council has a necessary role to play in supporting housing initiatives. More transparency from the outset of negotiations with Extencicare would have been welcome. Just hoping that the project is an able to focus on people in crisis who don't have the skills to seek out the help they need including health care and housing. People who are not in crisis have more opportunities to seek out the resources that they need.
- If the opportunity exists, a community garden including with both food and botanical flora could be enjoyed by the broader community. Still on the gardening theme, a green house to expand the growing season for site users and tenants would keep with strategic food security and environmental efforts.
- The Hub has been such a disaster for local community members. It is good to spread these resources to other communities as well.
- I hope it will be a big success!!
- I think I've said my piece. And as far as those concerned about their safety with having this project in their backyards ~ remember ~fences and CCTV make great neighbours. Although I'd hope the centre itself will have those too. Especially CCTV.
- Yes, why the emphasis on there being NO supervised drug use in this survey?
- Where will there be facilities for care of drug users?"
- Health care is outside of [REDCATED] scope.
- No. I know that nothing I say will change the outcome.
- Unfortunately there is very little that can be said especially after the fact which is really again why the original project was finalized behind closed doors so that the Kingston community could not derail the project knowing full well there would have been poor community acceptance. Especially knowing the disaster the Hub has turned out to be to date.
- Community garden in the back?
- There should be no hassling pedestrians or traffic

- No I don't, I believe this will be of great benefit to many in the community. Thank you
- Avoid anything like the HUB and attracting these high maintenance, disruptive, unhealthy individuals from coming into our neighborhood. I do not trust our City officials to make sound decisions. Just look at the HUB, the costs, damage, safety, security, fires, theft, drug use, etc. These are blunders just like the City trying to bring in Licensing! Stop creating more issues and work with the people of Kingston on concrete resolutions. We cannot afford to be guinea pigs any longer.
- I do not want to see this turn into a homeless shelter but something that will assist families both those settled and those struggling so that they learn and assist each other.
- I think you have heard the message of what the community is concerned about. My fear is once services listed are in place there will be adaptations to the original plan
- Not really. As someone who lived near areas where folk housed in teh Sleeping Cabins over many years their presence had no negative impact on neighborhood. In large part because bad elements were not adjacent (as in Hub)
- This location is a poor choice for this use.
- As QMR is adjacent to or part of Grenville Park, those residents should be included in the discussions. It is my understanding that the Grenville Park owners were supposed to be given the right of first refusal when the QMR property came available for purchase.
- I am glad to hear that there is planning in place to make use of the site.
- We need more support for the unhoused population
- How do you intended to prevent this from becoming the new "Hub". There is a primary school and family neighbourhoods immediately adjacent to this location.
- No, I think this is an excellent multi use project. Just my earlier comments re keeping a close eye on Lionhearts.
- Generally I am supportive of the project. But still concerned about operational issues that could lead to another Hub development. The Hub enables drug users to stay stuck in addiction while the drug sellers reap their profits.
- Maybe a community garden
- Make it nice, warm, friendly, and inviting. Colours, furniture, layout ... all play a role in making it a nice place to work and visit/use.
- Take homeless solutions as far away as possible from the politicians.
- I love the idea of this, and feel we can do more to help each other.
- The primary health clinic is just a way for the city to allow the transitional support housing and community use to work. I do not agree that these three services offered are well matching at all
- The neighbourhood does not want a facility that will replicate the issues the ICH (Integrated Care Hub) created for that neighbourhood (e.g. discarded drug paraphernalia, thefts, break-ins, an encampment etc.). Please do everything possible to prevent this. Thanks,
- Thank you for your informative presentation on Sept 23, and a chance to speak with the community partners of this 309 Queen Mary Rd proposal. I live

[REDACTED] and I was happy that the proposal includes transitional housing for people over the age of 55. This is a high need in our community, and the facility is already accessible and easy to reach by public transit. Including community space is also important and using the facilities that are already there. Primary health care is important, especially in the model of the CHC, as it is community focused and considers the whole person. I hope that the integration of these community programs are able to hold the vision of fostering a caring and inclusive community. They all certainly bring lots of experience from within the Kingston community. So often our programs and services have been siloed, and the resulting disconnection is frustrating and not healthy for anyone. Together we are stronger. As a local member of the community I anticipate getting to know my new neighbours. My concerns: Parking. There are always cars of staff parked on Queen Mary Rd outside of Extencicare, as their lot is full. With staff for 3 different programs and then patients as well, I think that the parking needs will be quite high. Safe smoking area for people who live at 309. With increased traffic during the day in and out of 309, there needs to be consideration of where the smoking area is located. Transitional housing is people's home, and they need a safe place to smoke, where the likelihood of getting hit by a car is minimal, especially in winter with snow piled high or icy areas. Community negativity

- It is unfortunate that some local citizens do not trust the city, and it's difficult to win back someone's trust. Certainly having community meetings, keeping people informed and asking for their feedback is helpful. I would encourage you to continue community engagement and consider developing ways that community volunteers could be involved in the planning, development and programs at 309
- I do not believe that this type of program is going to be dust le in this residential neighbourhood.
- Transportation to, housing Health clinic do we have Doctors and Nurses for this clinic ?
- This is a good location, with access to transit and reasonable walking distance to the Kingston Centre. It will be important to continue to engage local neighbours, as there are many misperceptions about the goal. Maintaining a safe area for all will be essential.
- the oversight committee plan will be very valuable for sustaining community awareness and support. Participation by the [REDACTED] will be a central aspect of the committee's importance, since it's an organization that has had a commitment to organized, supportive housing since its creation in 1946, and sold the Queen Mary Road to Extencicare 50 years ago for the construction of the existing building.
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