

Managing Change

OTTAWA, November 12, 2006 - Today, Mayor Chiarelli released his full campaign platform - clearly laying out his vision for the future of Ottawa.

"I have the experience, the energy and the plan to get us there," stated Bob Chiarelli.

Not only is Bob the only Mayoral candidate to release a platform of his commitments, he is the only candidate that has the experience and record to make that vision a reality.

Bob Chiarelli is a leader that delivers. His plans will improve public transit, improve neighborhood and continue to make Ottawa an even better place to live. Bob is a leader with a proven track record of managing change in Ottawa.

Taxes and fiscal management:

- Bob is the only candidate with the experience in managing a \$2.5 billion dollar corporation while maintaining services that matter to you;
- Bob has the best tax record in Ontario;
- Bob secured a AAA credit rating for Ottawa—every year of his term. That is the best in the business;
- Bob forced a two year property tax assessment freeze. He is the only candidate that can ensure the Province fixes their broken tax assessment system for good;
- Bob has committed to cap any tax increase at 1.8%

Public transit:

- Bob has delivered a fixed price Light Rail contract;
- Bob has secured the LRT funding;
- Bob is the only candidate who can deliver a light rail project now and get moving on East -West light rail right away;
- Bob has a plan to enhance local and express bus service;
- Bob will introduce a new courtesy protocol for OC Transpo drivers;
- Bob has added 36 Special Transit Constables to keep our buses safe;
- Bob will reduce the cost of transit passes for seniors by half;
- Bob wants a future of light rail instead of a north-south expressway down Bronson Avenue or the AltaVista corridor

City services and waste management:

- Bob has protected the services that matter to our community;
- Bob Chiarelli will move from landfills to green power.
- Bob is introducing Plasma Technology - to turn garbage into energy;
- Bob has a plan for a Green Bin Organics Project to bring Ottawa to 60 per

- cent rate of waste diversion; and,
- Bob is introducing New Technologies for Solid Waste;
- Bob has made the city more energy efficient and saved million through energy efficiencies

Building community and social infrastructure:

- Bob led the way on the Orleans Town Centre;
- Bob pushed for funding and initiated the plan for the downtown Community Concert Hall;
- Bob will remove barriers and maximize the opportunities of foreign-trained workers;
- Bob has a plan to build 100 new community soccer fields over the next four years;
- Bob will improve our rural and urban bicycle path network;
- Bob will increase funding for senior volunteer organizations;
- Bob has partnered with the private sector to leverage \$140 million dollars for new arenas, soccer domes, sports fields and community theatres

Green spaces and recreation in Ottawa:

- Bob delivered a fully funded plan for a Ottawa's first Cancer Survivor Park at Riverside and Industrial;
- Developing Centrepointe Lands;
- Will redevelop Bayview Yards and create a community green space;

Our kids, communities and streets:

- Bob has hired 181 new police officers and will introduce public consultation to improve Police Deployment;
- Bob has facilitated the creation of a Residential Youth Treatment Facility;
- Bob will ensure our police crack down on drugs in our schools and;
- Introduce a program that makes kids who vandalize our property repair the damage.

Ottawa's rural communities:

- Bob will beautify rural villages and enhance the 'main street' character in rural communities.
- Bob has introduced Rural High Speed Internet (100 % coverage);
- Initiated a Rural Summit, Rural Summit Task Force, and action plan to meet the needs of Ottawa's rural communities;
- Bob created a Rural Affairs Office;
- Found resources for rural roads and initiated two new farmer's markets to feature local produce.

Bob Chiarelli has the best track record and the best ideas for the future.

Ottawa's Mayor must govern for all of Ottawa and for the best interest of the entire city. Empty platitudes do not make sound and balanced public policy.

“I believe Ottawa will suffer if it elects a mayor that wants to be all things to all people or one that is found wanting for vision,” Chiarelli said.

Ottawa needs a Mayor with vision, focus, conviction and clarity. Ottawa needs a Mayor with substance not sound bites. Ottawa residents deserve a clear achievable vision for the future of this great city. Ottawa needs Mayor Bob Chiarelli.