



Ontario Professional Planners Institute

2020 Conference Session Suggestions

Demographics	Housing
<p><i>OPPI is open to exploring any of the areas listed below on all scales: urban, suburban, rural and/or northern and the jurying committee will strive to ensure a balance of sessions of each scale is achieved.</i></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gentrification and population impacts • Neighbourhoods for “8/80” • NIMBY • Emerging employment sectors & their demographics • Local market dynamics and population change: the role of housing? • youth employment and migration • tracking the movers: the interchange of people between bigger cities and smaller cities/communities across demographic cohorts • Children in vertical communities- planning for children in big cities • School boards and community planning – closures, consolidations, and expansions • How many and of what kind? Trends in community populations • Big data, big questions, - exploring demographic understanding in the digital era • Demographic drivers – economic development, liveability, and proximity and attracting population • Demography and new mobility – transportation markets in the new millennium 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does it mean to be “house poor?” • access matters: the intersection of transportation and housing location • Housing modification/adaptation • Institutional housing- mental health, homeless, differently abled, elderly • Yellow Belt/land use policy/low-density development • Mixed-income housing • “Non-traditional” housing options: secondary suites, rooming, laneway homes, etc. • Affordable/social housing site regeneration • Affordable for whom? Exploring the affordability crisis • Challenges experienced by low-income populations in securing housing (insurance, cost of housing/mortgage/repayments/default/financing; insurance; choice between heating the house and providing food) • Housing market dynamics 101 • Baby booms and living rooms: housing markets across the generations • Sprawl and Intensification – winners and losers in the quest for housing

- Grandma doesn't have a smart phone! From Uber to Autonomous Vehicles; the demographics of transportation
- 2041 What's your population? Forecasting demography
- Planning for seasonal vs permanent residents
- Urban vs. Rural demographic differences
- Welcoming community planning for diverse demographics (new Canadians, LGBTQ2+, and more)
- What happens when the only school in town closes?
- Projecting population growth and community needs
- Age & Dementia-friendly communities

- Finance and shelter: exploring the commodification of basic human need
- Impact of Bill 108 changes (inclusionary zoning, secondary suites, etc.)
- Impact of the sharing economy on the supply of rental housing
- Exploring alternate housing forms and tenure methods (tiny homes, co-op housing, etc)
- As the population continues to grow and become more diverse, is there a need to refine the definition of a housing unit?

2020 Conference Mobile Workshop Suggestions

Mobile workshops are not constrained to the themes of our 2020 Conference. Instead, they are meant to showcase the best in planning within the host community. Potential presenters are asked to consider mobile workshops close by, and ideally no longer than half a day. Here are a few suggestions, but please feel free to submit your own ideas!

- Old East – mobile that could include art walk, Western Fair and Baker's Dozen incubators, Kellogg's redevelopment, breweries
- Heritage Tour of adaptive reuse of old churches – Adelaide Street, Robson Memorial, others
- Redevelopment of School Sites – challenges, public needs – Tennent Avenue, Michael Street, Lorne Avenue, Tecumseh, Sherwood Forest, Duluth Cres., Elm St., Hill St. (former St. John French Catholic)
- West 5 redevelopment – eco development
- Downtown Walking Tour – Back to the River
- Indigenous history tour
- Student Housing in London – challenges, responses, new development, secondary suites and new Bill 108 challenges
- Agritourism and Middlesex County
- The Tech Sector – investment in downtown and redevelopment, Fanshawe, adaptive reuse, Info tech, Arcane, Roundhouse