



## Ontario Professional Planners Institute announces 2009 - 2011 OPPI President Sue Cumming

**October 6, 2009** - The Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) is pleased to announce its 2009 – 2011 President, Sue Cumming, MCIP RPP. Ms Cumming was first elected to OPPI Council in 2004, she served as Director of Recognition (2004 to 2007) and was the President Elect and Affiliate representative on the Council of the Canadian Institute of Planners (2007 to 2009). Sue was instrumental in developing the Call to Action and release of OPPI's *Healthy Communities, Sustainable Communities* report.

Sue is a strong advocate for advancing the critical role of the planning profession in shaping public policy to achieve healthy communities. She is committed to raising the bar of professional standards and practices so that members will have the tools and legislation to be leaders in all areas of their work. She is a team builder who values and recognizes that the strength of our organization is our volunteers.

Ms Cumming is a graduate of the School of Urban and Regional Planning at Ryerson University. She is a professional planner and dynamic facilitator with over 25 years experience as a consultant designing and carrying out public and stakeholder consultation programs directly related to building liveable communities, growth management, transportation planning and infrastructure undertakings. She is the Principal of Cumming + Company and a leading expert in Ontario known for her skills in constructive public engagement. Sue is also an adjunct lecturer at Queen's University in the Masters Program at the School of Urban and Regional Planning where she enjoys the interaction with the future generation of planners.

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