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The ECA Ottawa Newswire is the monthly source for electrical information and communications to our members on issues related specifically to our association, our industry, and our community.

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RESIDENTIAL AGREEMENT REACHED - ECA Ottawa and the IBEW Local 586 have reached a residential agreement with a focus on increasing market share in Ottawa. These changes include: a small wage increase, a positive journeyman to apprentice ratio, bereavement, small increase in foreman rates, and an increase in scope for wood buildings from 4 stories to 6. The Board would like to formally thank the volunteers and committee members for their commitment in time, energy and determination to achieve a positive result. Thanks to all the contributors, **Rob Laderoute, Bill Bachand, Dan Rollin, Yves Frechette, Brian Doxtator, Matt McQuillan, Scott Nielsen, Robyn Brett, Martin Cholette and Daryl Sharkey.**

2019 MEMBERS MEETING APRIL 23 – The ECA Ottawa Spring All Members meeting takes place *April 23, 2019* at the Sala San Marco Event Centre, 215 Preston Street. The reception will begin at 5 PM, dinner at 6 PM, and the meeting at 7 PM. This meeting's topic is COR Certification – the City of Ottawa is seriously considering making the IHSA Certificate of Recognition or COR Certification program a requirement for contractors to have. This is a significant undertaking for all contractors. We have invited ISHA Vice President, Ken Rayner to present on the multi-year effort required to get certified, the experience so far from other contractors in implementing COR, and the results demonstrated from other jurisdictions who have legislated COR. If you have, are, or will be doing any business with the City of Ottawa you need to attend the session. [Go to the ECA Ottawa website or click here to register.](#) (www.ecaottawa.org).

ARE YOU CELEBRATING - ECA Ottawa would like to hear your good news and share it with your fellow members. As we continue to expand the distribution of our monthly newsletter, we are looking for ways to celebrate our members achievements. Whether your company is celebrating an anniversary, or a new hire let us know. If you've won an award, an achievement, or are celebrating something special we would certainly consider including it in our publication. Please email the ECA Ottawa office at info@ECAOttawa.org as we would very much like to spread the good news.

ECA ONTARIO CONFERENCE NASHVILLE, TN, SEPTEMBER 25 TO 29, 2019 - ECA Ontario is excited to be hosting its 2019 annual industry conference in Nashville Tennessee, September 25 – 29, 2019. The JW Marriott Nashville hotel will be site of the annual conference. The program includes a solid roster of speakers, optional event, such as golf, and exciting social events. If the location isn't enough to entice you, then ECA Ottawa will further incentivize you by covering registration fees up to \$2500. You can contact ECA Ottawa office for more information. To register click the following link <http://www.econashville2019.ekomobi.com/edit>.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS - It's a new era at the Electrical Contractors' Association of Ottawa and we are pleased and excited to see the continued growth in membership. With an experienced management team at the helm of the Association, new programs and services continue to be brought forward. In addition, there is a strong representation of our members within the industry, the overall construction industry, and all levels of government. While there remains a number of signatory contractors who have yet to become part of the Association, it is our belief that it's just a matter of time before they realize the benefits of membership and the immediate return on investment. In the past few months we are very pleased to welcome **TAS Electric Inc, Phil Electric, SBL Electric Inc., Fraser Electric, and Teraflex Limited** to the ECA Ottawa membership.

BY THE NUMBERS - Building permits in Ottawa, as of January 2019, saw the total number of non-residential permits issued reached 141 with the value of those permits equaling \$69,431,942. Per square footage was 773,514. The residential sector had a total of 257 permits issued with a value of \$106,054,016 for the gross work area of 829,298 ft². Housing starts in January 2019 as compared to January 2018 are down a total of 56% from 423 to 185.

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