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Coyote Incidents in Riverside South

As you may be aware, there have been a number of reports of close encounters with coyotes in the past two weeks in our neighbourhood. So far, these incidents have all occurred after dusk.

The Ottawa Police Service, city councillor Carol Anne Meehan and MPP Goldie Ghamari have been notified as well as the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF). As this issue falls within the jurisdiction of MNRF, we are awaiting their response.

In the meantime, we ask that you be cautious when out after dark and remember these tips if you should encounter a coyote:

- * never approach or touch a wild animal
- * do not turn your back or run from a wild animal
- * back away from the animal while remaining calm
- * stand tall, wave your hands, and make lots of noise
- * carry a flashlight at night

If the coyote is being aggressive or acting out of the ordinary, please contact the *Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry* or call 613-258-8204. You can also call 311 and they will contact the MNRF.

Call 911 if the animal poses an immediate threat or danger to public safety.

If you are interested in learning more about urban dwelling coyotes, this website is a valuable resource: [Urban Coyote Initiative](#)



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