
The Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake

Information Report to Council

SUBJECT: Queenston Road Reconstruction (Townline Road to Airport Road) - Public Open House

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The purpose of this information report is to inform Council of the comments received at the Queenston Road Reconstruction Public Open House.

The notices for the Public Open House was delivered on November 1st, 2018 to all adjacent owners to be affected by the proposed construction and was also posted on the Town's website (<http://www.notl.org/content/public-works-notices>). Town staff along with the Town's consultant, Associated Engineering, held a Public Open House for the project on November 28th, 2018 between 4 and 7 p.m. at the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake's Public Works Department Offices on Lorraine Street in Virgil.

The Open House was held to allow the public to review the preliminary design drawings of the proposed works and to allow them an opportunity to share questions, comments or concerns to staff regarding observations and specific site conditions. The project includes a road widening for the addition of bicycle lanes, rehabilitation of the existing road pavement and replacement of an existing asbestos cement watermain.

Attendees were asked to provide their contact information via a sign-in sheet. A total of seven members of the public attended of which all represented properties abutting the proposed road works. Comment sheets were also provided to those attending and everyone was encouraged to submit their comments at the Open House or return them prior to December 7, 2018. No comment sheets were returned to staff.

General Comments

The verbal comments received at the meeting were generally positive, in favour of the road improvements and the addition of bicycle lanes. Below is a summary of the comments and concerns expressed by those attending the Open House.

1. What is the anticipated start of the project?
2. Will Ash trees be removed as part of this project?
3. Impacts of water service replacements on trees/roots.
4. Lighting of the intersection of Martin Road and Queenston Road.
5. Will railway ties be reinstated bordering my driveway entrance?
6. Will a full road closure be required with this phase of work?
7. How will existing drainage pipes and swales draining into the roadside ditch be handled?

NEXT STEP / CONCLUSION

The Operations Department in conjunction with Associated Engineering will be finalizing the design drawings and tender contract documents taking into account comments and concerns that were expressed at the Open House. The project is tentatively scheduled to be put out to tender on January 21, 2019 with a tender closing date of Tuesday, February 5, 2019.

As per the Town's by law for the procurement of goods for services Town Council will be advised accordingly to the award of the tender.

Construction is tentatively scheduled to commence in the spring of 2019 subject to Council's approval of the 2019 Capital Budgets.

If you have any questions with regards to this project please contact me at your convenience.

ATTACHMENTS