



Main Street Renewal Project Functional, Preliminary Design and Detailed Design

Main Street Renewal Project – Working Group Meeting #21
Key Points of Discussion
April 29th, 2015
Normandin Room, Saint Paul University, 249 Main Street

DISCUSSION TOPIC: Project Update, Pre-Construction Matters

Attendees:

Project Managers

Josée Vallée - Project Manager

Ron Clarke - Consulting Project Manager

Consulting Team:

Martha Lush - Corush Sunderland Wright

Shannon Harbers - Corush Sunderland Wright

Advisory Group:

Steven Courtland - City of Ottawa, Municipal Design & Construction

Deanna Kennedy - City of Ottawa, Realty Services

David Atkinson - City of Ottawa

Poppy Weaver - Main Street Property Owner

Joanna Linsangan - Councillor Chernushenko's Office

Ronald Rose - Main Street Resident

Paul Goodkey - Old Ottawa East Community Association

Don Fugler - Old Ottawa East Community Association

Ron Rose - Old Ottawa East Community Association

Ken Kary - Ottawa Catholic School Board

Brad Byvelds - Novatech Engineering

Helen Weaver - 3 Trees

The Working Group discussion covered these key points:

1. A presentation on best efforts to retain and replace street trees was provided. Measures including the planting of up to 260 new trees, and special construction techniques to pursue tree health.
2. The contract was awarded to Karson Konstruktion with a contract value of \$18.2. An authorization to commence work has been given in April 2015.
3. The contract is split into generally six sections.
4. From May 25, there will be no northbound traffic north of Clegg, except between Lees and Hawthorne where one lane in each direction will be maintained. Northbound traffic will not be reopened until August 2016, according to the terms of the contract.
5. The contractor is given a maximum 6 consecutive months to have the northbound route between Clegg and Riverdale open. Between Riverdale and Clegg, the Contractor is allowed to close the North Bound lane for a max of 6 consecutive months.
6. Before the contractor decides to close the northbound route between Clegg and Riverdale, the contractor is bound to provide a minimum 3 weeks notification. However, best efforts to provide longer notice would be made.

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7. The bridge contractor is starting work tentatively in June of 2015. Construction will occur during two construction seasons.
8. It was noted that the primary detour for northbound traffic is to be Bank Street, while understanding that some motorists will choose to take Riverdale Drive (secondary detour). The City avoids, where possible, detours that lead to Hwy 417 due to the limitations of the drivers licenses of some individuals.
9. On May 25, northbound OC Transpo buses will run on Main to Clegg to Colonel By Drive. On Sunday closures of Colonel By Drive, buses will circumnavigate the community. Buses can be accessed at the north and south ends of the community.
10. There will be no bus stops on Colonel By Drive. Stops will be on Clegg Street.
11. The City has a staff team that prepares plans to understand and mitigate the risk of cut-through traffic. Pre-construction data was collected. Four speed display boards have been acquired for use in strategic locations. Data can be monitored during the construction period.
12. The range of traffic management tools that could be deployed during construction were discussed. This included speed humps, speed tables road narrowings, and movement prohibitions. The role of enforcement was discussed.
13. Various methods of communication the construction activities were presented. A public open house will be held on May 11, 2015. Public notices have been hand delivered to property owners and businesses and institutions along Main Street.
14. Dianna Ashworth will be playing the role of community liaison, and Greg Choquette will be the Senior Inspector. Together with Josee, these will be the primary points of contact for community stakeholder enquiries pertaining to the construction project.
15. With the project now moving into implementation, a general discussion was invited about the Working Group's satisfaction with the planning and design process. A member of the Old Ottawa East Community Association remarked that it was satisfying that the process was not confrontational. No other comments were made.

Next Steps: A public open house is planned for May 11th, 2015 at Saint Paul University, from 6PM-9PM. Final designs, construction details, and traffic management plans will be presented.

Please advise if you have any suggested edits or modifications to ensure that we have accurately summarized the key points/comments made during the discussion.