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To: Property owners and tenants

**Re: Avenue Road watermain replacement, City of Cambridge**

The Region of Waterloo is replacing the watermain along Avenue Road from Franklin Boulevard to Hespeler Road in Cambridge to ensure the continued delivery of water to the area. This construction is set to start in May 2022 with expected completion by September 2022. The construction crew will work Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 7p.m. Some occasional weekend work may be necessary to complete the project on time.

Please plan for some delays and travel carefully through the construction zone, follow the traffic signage for your safety and the safety of the workers.

**Project information**

Work will consist of:

- Installation of watermain and associated valves
- Resurfacing of Eastbound lane from Franklin Boulevard to Elgin Street
- Full-width resurfacing of asphalt from Elgin Street to Hespeler Road
- Replacement of curb in selected areas
- Reinstatement of upgraded traffic markings
- Reinstatement of boulevards and driveways

We have retained the consulting firm GM Blue Plan of Kitchener to oversee the construction, and Musselman Excavating of Petersburg was awarded the contract for construction.

**What can you expect?**

**Traffic restrictions**

Traffic will be maintained on Avenue Road via a one way westbound lane from Franklin Boulevard to Hespeler Road. Detour details are being finalized and will be posted on the Region's website at [regionofwaterloo.ca](http://regionofwaterloo.ca) (search for Construction and Road Closure) prior to lane closures.

## **Temporary full road closure**

Final surface asphalt requires a full road closure from Hespeler Road to Elgin Street. During this time, the road will be closed to through traffic; access to local residents and emergency vehicles will be maintained to the greatest extent possible. We expect the closure to occur over a number of days towards the end of August. Specific details to follow prior to this activity taking place.

## **Access**

Access to businesses, residences and intersecting local streets along Avenue Road will be maintained to the greatest extent possible, however, disruptions will occur when construction activities are being completed directly adjacent to an entrance or local street. We will provide as much notice as possible when construction activities are occurring adjacent to your property. If the construction makes it impossible to access your driveway for a short time, we will advise you of alternate parking locations.

## **We're open!**

We will ensure temporary signage is installed indicating businesses are "Open and Accessible" during construction.

## **Bus service changes**

Grand River Transit buses may need to be rerouted. Please visit [grt.ca](http://grt.ca) for detours or alerts.

## **Garbage and recycling**

If you receive curb-side collection, please place your garbage in disposable bags (please avoid use of containers) at the curb along with your blue box, green bin and yard waste **prior to 6 a.m.** on your normal collection day. These materials will be collected by our contractor and placed on adjacent side streets for Regional pickup. Blue boxes and green bins will be returned by day's end. Clearly mark your address number on your blue box and green bin to ensure proper return.

## **Restoration and landscaping**

If your driveway, sidewalk or landscaping is damaged by this construction work, we will replace/reinstate the damaged portion to pre-construction condition after construction is completed. We will take care of any sod that is replaced for 60 days. After 60 days, all sod maintenance and watering becomes your responsibility.

## **Tree trimming**

If tree branches within public spaces interfere with construction, the contractor will prune back the tree. The contractor will ask you for permission before cutting any branches on private property. If you do not allow the contractor onto your property to trim the branches, the branches will be cut vertically at the property line.

## **Water service shutdown**

During construction of the watermain, the contractor will be working in close proximity to residential water services. Water service shutdowns are not anticipated but may occur based on the nature of this work. In the event of an unplanned interruption to water service, we will make every effort to

restore supply by end of the work day. We will notify you two days prior to any water service interruption.

### **Vibration, dust, mud**

You may feel slight vibrations from the construction work. All efforts will be made to minimize adverse impacts from the construction including dust, mud and vibration.

### **Preconstruction condition survey**

It is the Region of Waterloo's practice to offer preconstruction survey of buildings in the vicinity of imminent road construction activities. While we do not anticipate that buildings abutting or adjacent to the construction will be impacted by the road reconstruction, the preconstruction survey provides thorough documentation of the existing building condition, including any existing cracks or other visible structural or cosmetic defects of the exterior and interior of the property. If during or after the construction, residents/tenants experience any concerns with their property or suspect that damage has occurred as a result of the construction activities, the information from the preconstruction survey may prove helpful in resolving concerns. Exterior and interior inspections will be carried out, including perimeter walkways and landscaping. There is no cost to the residents/owners for this service.

GNP Environmental are engaged to conduct the preconstruction survey of all buildings abutting or adjacent to the construction limits. You will be contacted by a staff member from GNP Environmental Inspections Ltd. to coordinate access to your property. GNP Environmental will provide each property owner with a copy of their COVID-19 Preventative Measures for review prior to inspection. Please direct any concern about inspection protocols directly to GNP Environmental Ltd. While the preconstruction inspection is voluntary, your permission and cooperation in helping us complete this survey is greatly appreciated.

### **Canada Post mail delivery**

Properties that receive door service mail delivery should not be affected while construction is taking place. If you do experience a disruption in your mail delivery please contact Canada Post at 1-866-607-6301 or go to their website [www.canadapost.ca](http://www.canadapost.ca) or contact the Region's on-site representative.

### **Project updates and maps**

Information, project updates and site/detour maps are posted on [regionofwaterloo.ca](http://regionofwaterloo.ca); search for Construction and Road Closures.

### **Email updates**

Please email [Pakeating@regionofwaterloo.ca](mailto:Pakeating@regionofwaterloo.ca) your email address if you wish to be included on project newsletter.

### **Contacts**

We will have someone on site during construction to address any concerns. An emergency after hours contact is also available.

<b>Day time contact:</b> From 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Alex Rojas, Regional Inspector Phone : 519-778-1034 email ARojas@regionofwaterloo.ca
<b>After hours emergency contact:</b> 5 p.m. to 8 a.m.	Region of Waterloo Service First Call Centre, 519-575-4400

Every reasonable effort will be made during construction to minimize disruption and complete the work efficiently and cost effectively. We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation.

Thank you,



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