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To: Property owners and tenants

**Re: Roadway Improvements — Victoria Street
Fischer-Hallman Road to Lawrence Avenue,
City of Kitchener**

The Region of Waterloo, in collaboration with the City of Kitchener, is planning improvements to Victoria Street (Regional Road 55) between Fischer-Hallman Road and Lawrence Avenue. The final design for this project is scheduled to be completed this fall, and construction is expected to be completed over a series of stages, by summer 2027.

Where are we now?

We're getting ready for the Victoria Street improvements. Since we last asked you for your comments on the Victoria Street design, we considered what we heard, reviewed more technical requirements for the roadway, and have made additional improvements to minimize property impacts and optimize space for all modes of transportation.

Originally, we included on-road cycling facilities on Victoria Street between Lawrence Avenue and Westmount Road. This cycling design has now been improved to include a raised cycling facility separated from vehicular traffic adjacent to the road, along with dedicated space for pedestrian sidewalks and transit stops throughout the corridor.

In addition, new right-turn lanes planned at the Victoria/Westmount intersection have been reallocated to minimize property impacts and provide additional space for active transportation.

New construction schedule

This design work is nearing completion, and we'll tender this work later this fall for road and sewer construction to start next spring. The roadway improvements will start at Lawrence, and work towards Fischer-Hallman once utility relocations are completed along the Victoria Street corridor later this year. We'll maintain two-way traffic during this utility phase and provide more information prior to, and during construction.

Project schedule updates

Work of this project is being planned in conjunction with additional transportation assessments on Westmount Road between Victoria Street and Erb Street. Given the studies completed so far, we've decided to move forward with the much-needed improvements on Victoria Street, as we continue work on the Westmount Road study and Environmental Assessment (EA). Public consultation for the Westmount EA will be scheduled later this year, followed by project approvals and detailed design.

Stay connected

For project updates, design drawings and construction scheduling for the Victoria Street (Fischer-Hallman to Lawrence) project, please visit www.engagewr.ca/victoria-street-improvements-kitchener

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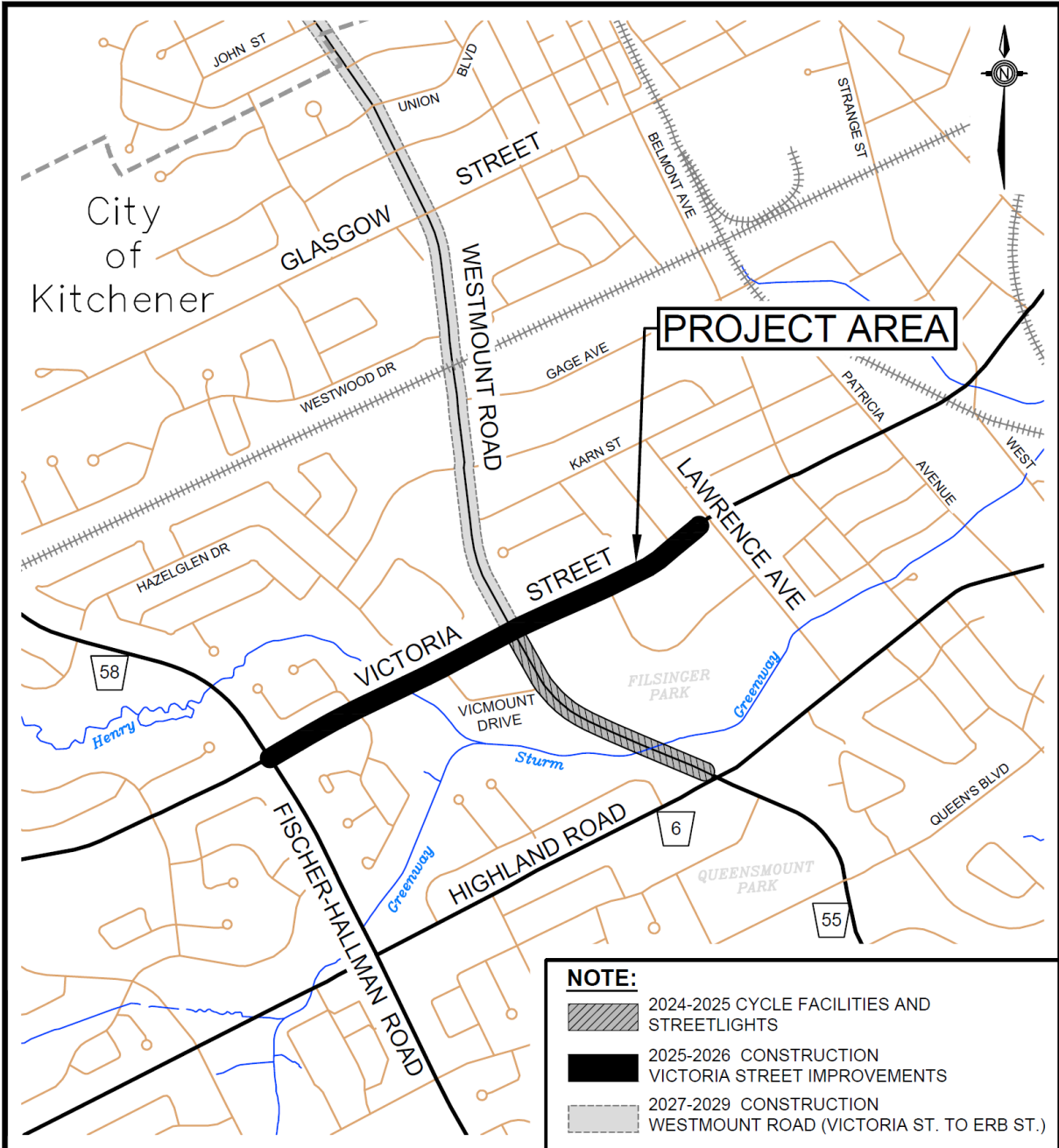
Contact me if you have questions regarding the Victoria Street project, at 519-575-4400 or email at esaunderson@regionofwaterloo.ca.

Regards,



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NOTE:

-  2024-2025 CYCLE FACILITIES AND STREETLIGHTS
-  2025-2026 CONSTRUCTION VICTORIA STREET IMPROVEMENTS
-  2027-2029 CONSTRUCTION WESTMOUNT ROAD (VICTORIA ST. TO ERB ST.)



REGION ROAD No.55 (VICTORIA STREET)
FISCHER-HALLMAN ROAD TO LAWRENCE AVENUE
CITY OF KITCHENER