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Lawrence Park Neighbourhood Investigation of Basement Flooding (Area 20) & Road Improvement Study

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Notice of Study Commencement



Background

Like many established neighbourhoods in Toronto, the infrastructure – roads, storm and sanitary sewers – in the Lawrence Park neighbourhood needs improvement. Traffic and pedestrian safety issues exist and road drainage systems are unable to convey stormwater effectively. Historically, part of the Lawrence Park neighbourhood has also experienced issues with basement flooding during heavy rainfalls. Basement Flooding Area 20, within the Lawrence Park neighbourhood is one of 34 areas in Toronto included in the "Basement Flooding Work Plan", approved by City Council to address basement flooding across the City.

The Study

The City of Toronto has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study to address issues relating to deteriorating road

conditions, traffic, pedestrian safety, drainage problems and basement flooding in the Lawrence Park neighbourhood. Measures that improve storm water quality and reduce storm runoff will also be incorporated. The map in this Notice shows the Lawrence Park Neighbourhood Study Area and the Basement Flooding Area 20 boundaries.

The Process

The study is being planned under the requirements set out in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) document dated October 2000, amended in 2011. The MCEA process provides members of the public and interest groups with opportunities to provide input at key stages of the study. The study will define the problem, consider and evaluate alternative solutions, assess impacts of the preferred solutions, and identify measures to lessen any adverse impacts.

Public Consultation

You are encouraged to complete and return the enclosed questionnaire in order to provide us with background information on the study area and help us further understand your key concerns. The results of this questionnaire will be presented at the first Public Information Centre (PIC) which is tentatively scheduled for late Spring 2013. Notification of all PICs will be advertised in the local community newspaper and notices mailed to all interested stakeholders.

We would like to hear from you

Public consultation is an important part of this study. If you have any questions or comments or would like to be placed on the study mailing list, please contact:

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