

Wilby Crescent Missing Sidewalk Community Meeting Summary

Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024

Meeting Type: In-person
Location: 10 Wilby Crescent

Start time: 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

A community meeting was hosted by Councillor Nunziata and City of Toronto staff on January 16, 2024 from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at 10 Wilby Crescent. The purpose of the event was to present details to community members about the proposed new sidewalk and accessibility upgrades on Wilby Crescent and to provide an opportunity for community members to ask questions and provide feedback. The new sidewalk is planned to be installed in 2025.

Approximately 50 individuals attended the event in-person or online. A copy of the presentation has been uploaded to the project website and will be shared with attendees via email who provided their email on the event sign-in sheet.

Councillor Nunziata welcomed attendees and provided details on project history and ongoing work in the community. A brief presentation was given by community members who shared photos of the existing conditions on Wilby Crescent.

City staff from Transportation Services and Engineering and Construction Services divisions attended the meeting and provided a presentation with project history, conceptual design options for new sidewalk installation on Wilby Crescent and near and long-term project phases for Wilby Crescent.

Conceptual designs include a complete street design approach including traffic calming, green infrastructure and safety improvements was taken for reviewing preliminary sidewalk alignment. Conceptual designs aim to minimize impacts to existing right-of way elements while improving pedestrian comfort and safety. Final sidewalk alignment and design elements to be confirmed during projects detail design.

Attendees asked questions to the Councillor and members of the project team.

Public Comment Summary:

- The conceptual design options narrowing the street were generally preferred by attendees. This includes support for conceptual Options 3 & 4 because of the boulevard separated space between sidewalk and road. Community members highlighted that safety was important and so was keeping the project delivery in 2025 on track.
- Request to make Weston Road more pedestrian friendly.
- Request to improve lighting conditions at the intersection Wilby Crescent and Weston Road.



- Request for more bike parking on Weston Rd. It was highlighted that it was difficult
 to go to shopping by bikes because there is limited bike parking currently. The
 Councillor committed to following up with the BIA to install more bike parking & City
 through bike ring installation program.
- Requests for interim sidewalks solutions. City staff shared that there were challenges with temporary materials or pavement marking and that they provide limited benefits. City staff committed to reviewing options and provide an update on recommendations.
- Request for the traffic light timing adjustment at the Weston Road and Wilby Crescent intersection. The Councillor committed to following up with Transportation Services Signal Operations Unit to discuss adjustments to signal timing.
- Request for bike lanes/cycle tracks on Wilby Crescent which can be included.
 Additional cycling improvements can be seen through on-going <u>Weston Cycling</u> Connections work.
- Request for the addition a stop sign at Hickory Tree Road and Wilby Crescent to stop right turning vehicles.
- Request to lower the existing speed limit on Wilby Crescent.
- Request for the addition of speed humps on Wilby Crescent.
- East York Community Council passed new parking restrictions: https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2023.EY9.32.
- Request for delivery vehicles to have drop-off zones in front of condominium at 10 Wilby Crescent due to new parking restrictions.

Staff Attendees

Becky Katz, Transportation Services Katherine Wilson, Transportation Services Tsugumi Kanno, Transportation Services Jessica Orjuela, Engineering and Construction Services Steven Bertolo, Engineering and Construction Services