

Basement Flooding Protection Program Sewer Upgrades on Old Mill Drive and Catherine Street Virtual Trailer No. 12

Date: Thursday, February 8, 2024

Meeting Type: Virtual

Start time: 4:00 p.m. End Time: 5:00 p.m.

Meeting Overview:

The meeting was facilitated by Tracy Manolakakis, Manager, Public Consultation Unit and updates on the action items and project status was provided by Carolina Santamaria Garcis, Senior Project Manager, and Rachele Joseph, Manager, Design & Construction, Engineering & Construction Services.

Sky Pepin from Councillor Perks office was in attendance to take record of resident concerns.

Questions & Comments

The following comments, questions and answers were provided during the meeting.

Questions & Comments	Project Team Answer
What month would Old Mill Drive at Bloor Street be opened per the schedule presented?	Old Mill Drive is anticipated to open in late February or early March based on current projections.
This project have been affecting the neighbourhood and Etienne Brule Park for the 5 years.	<p>The current work at Old Mill Drive is part of the Basement Flooding Protection Program delivery and started in September 2021 and is scheduled to be complete this year.</p> <p>A separate project was undertaken by Toronto Water in January 2021 to replace the sanitary forcemain across Etienne Brule Park and was completed in November 2022 and is unrelated to the current construction project.</p>
Will the speed bumps be restored before the reopening of Old Mill Drive? It's not safe for the road to be opened for our young daughter before the speedbumps are restored.	<p>An overall assessment of impacted trees, sidewalks, sod and road (including speed bumps) required for restoration due to construction will be reviewed upon completion of underground work and restored to preconstruction conditions.</p> <p>A revision to the overall site restoration plan presented during Virtual Trailer No. 8, on October 5, 2023, is being reviewed and will be provided to the Old Mill community, when available.</p>

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<p>There is electrical work required to refurbish the aluminum box outside at 1 Old Mill Drive. Can we coordinate for this work to take place while construction is going on?</p>	<p>On-site staff to follow-up with resident at 1 Old Mill Drive.</p>
<p>Clarification about whether there was an existing sidewalk at the entrance to Etienne Brule Park at Catherine Street and whether to apply to the missing sidewalk program to have the work coordinated.</p>	<p>It was confirmed that there is an existing sidewalk that will be restored once construction is complete.</p>
<p>Request made to Councillor Perks to help ensure that the construction of a new condominium nearby does not begin until the construction at Old Mill Drive is complete.</p>	<p>Staff from Councillor's office took noted of the concern and will follow-up.</p>
<p>City staff from Transportation Services have not responded to a request for traffic control measures to be installed at Bloor Street and Old Mill Drive to deal with increased traffic as a result of the installation of the bike lanes on Bloor Street. Would like to have Councillor's office assist in getting a response to the request.</p>	<p>Staff from Councillor's office took noted of the concern and will follow-up.</p>
<p>Are the City and TTC committed to working together to address the noise issue and root cause?</p>	<p>Yes, the City and TTC are working closely to investigate and address the noise concerns raised by residents.</p> <p>The City will be engaging a qualified engineer to undertake a sound and vibration transmission assessment.</p>
<p>Can the TTC provide the latest noise reading?</p> <p>Information should be made available to the public as there is a high level of mistrust.</p>	<p>TTC staff to follow-up to confirm what information is available and will share, when confirmed.</p>
<p>The virtual trailers used to be every two weeks and then to once a month, so communication has not always been timely.</p>	<p>The virtual trailers occurred every two weeks during the ground stabilization work and retrieval of the tunnel boring machine. They now take place every month. Project updates are still being provided to the community on a bi-weekly basis on the project website. The City notifies the residents via email, once the update is available on the website.</p>

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My wife and I are hitting our bumper fascia in our driveway at 67 Old Mill Drive. Can it be fixed?	On-site staff will investigate this issue and repair accordingly.
The construction has community concerned about noise, diesel emissions and impact on the enjoyment of their neighbourhood and disruptions to home/work lives. Written requests to be submitted to the City to provide a written and verbal apology to residents; information on actions taken to address negligence and omissions by City staff; and request for compensation in the form of a reduction of property taxes by 50% during the disruption.	Resident concerns were noted. Resident advised to send written correspondence to Carolina Santamaria Garcia.
There was no reason to remove tie backs. They were noted on the building drawings and the engineers should have thought to check the drawings. What is being done about this?	An investigation is underway to review project planning requirements.
Sidewalk at 5 Old Mill Drive has collapsed and the fire hydrant does not have a shut-off.	<p>The sidewalk at 5 Old Mill Drive is within the construction compound and will be fully restored once construction is complete.</p> <p>An overall assessment of impacted trees, sidewalks, sod and road required for restoration due to construction will be reviewed upon completion of underground work and restored to preconstruction conditions.</p> <p>On-site staff to follow-up on concern about fire hydrant valves.</p>

Action Items:

1. On-site staff to review speed hump on Old Mill Drive within the area of construction.
2. On-site staff to follow-up with Ernesto at 1 Old Mill Drive to review the electrical work required.
3. Councillor staff to follow-up on concern about timing of construction of new condominium on Jane Street.
4. Councillor staff to follow-up with Transportation Services about request made for review of traffic restrictions from Bloor Street to Old Mill Drive.
5. TTC staff to follow-up with resident on data readings.
6. On-site staff to investigate driveway at 67 Old Mill Drive.
7. On-site staff to follow-up on concern about sidewalk and fire hydrant at 5 Old Mill Drive.



Total Participants: 14

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