

CP000540: Integrated Renewal: Winona, Wilmont, Elmgrove and Picton (November 15, 2023)

COMMENT #	SOURCE	Summary of comment	Response
1	Public Information Session	<p>If I have a lead service and would like to schedule its replacement on the private side, is it possible to do this work at the same time as the City's project to reduce landscaping costs?</p> <p>Is it possible to arrange for the contractor to do the replacement on the private side?</p>	<p>Due to cost, risk, and schedule constraints, most City contractors are no longer willing to do private service replacement work. Also, we can't have multiples contractors working on the same site at the same time as only one contractor is allowed to be in control of the site at one given time. Therefore, it is preferable to have the lead pipe replaced on private property by a contractor selected by the resident before the City project commences, or after the City completed the work. If this is completed before the City's work, please inform the City's Project Manager so that the City's contractor can be made aware of the new water service connection.</p>
2	Public Information Session	<p>My property has a young tree on the front lawn that appears to be dying. I am thinking about contacting the City to have the tree replaced with a healthy tree. However, given its proximity to the road, can you please advise if I should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wait until the street work is done to replace the tree, • Speak to City officials once the work has begun to inquire whether the tree can be replaced during the work, or, • Replace the tree now. 	<p>It is good to reach out to our project team directly so we can confirm if the tree is already planned to be removed and replaced as part of this project. In general, if you are planning to remove a tree located on private property, we recommend you remove the tree prior to construction and wait to plant a new tree until after construction. You can learn more about tree removal, including when a permit is required on the City's webpage: Tree Protection By-law City of Ottawa</p> <p>Some trees will be removed during construction and replaced at a 2:1 ratio where possible. Every effort will be made to preserve mature trees. It is often hard to find places to plant trees in dense urban settings.</p>
3	Public Information Session	<p>Will a pedestrian pathway be maintained during construction?</p>	<p>Pedestrian facilities acceptable for use by all pedestrians, including those with disabilities, are to be maintained throughout construction. Should any concerns or issues be noted during construction, please immediately reach out to the site inspector or the City's Project Manager.</p>
4	Public Information Session	<p>As a business owner in the community, I am concerned about maintaining access to my property for my clients. How will you address the need to maintain parking for our clients, in particular those with accessibility needs.</p>	<p>Access to properties within the project limits will be impacted by construction when the construction is right in front of / or in close proximity to the property. Duration of access restriction is estimated to average one week but is dependent on contractor means and methods. The contractor is required to notify all affected residents and businesses, in writing, a minimum of 72 hours prior to loss of access. On-street parking passes will be provided to local residents and businesses impacted by construction and parking within the project construction limits will be restricted to pass holders only.</p> <p>Pedestrian/wheelchair access will be affected by construction during paving and sidewalk installation only. When the crosswalk at the east end of Wilmont is not accessible, the contractor will be required to install a signed pedestrian detour that is a minimum of 1.5m wide on a hard surface of either compacted granular, concrete or asphalt and is wheelchair accessible (ramped) will be installed.</p> <p>The existing asphalt boulevard will be maintained where possible until surface works are to commence in that location, at which point the contractor is to ensure that asphalt boulevard closures are minimized, and a continuous and accessible path of travel is provided on at least one side of the street.</p> <p>All efforts will be made to minimize impacts to local properties through the duration of this project and to keep residents and businesses informed in advance of any impacts so that alternate arrangements can be made.</p>

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5	Public Information Session	<p>I am wondering about the raised intersection just to the north at Winona Avenue and Elmgrove Avenue. How raised is the intersection exactly?</p> <p>We have concerns about vehicle clearance as we drive a vehicle that rides fairly low to the ground.</p>	<p>The raised intersection has a 4% slope (80mm rise over 2000mm run). We don't anticipate any issues.</p>
6	Public Information Session	<p>Where will residents be able to park on the street when all adjacent streets are under construction?</p>	<p>A temporary On-Street Parking Permit will be made available to allow on-street parking within two blocks of your residence should parking disruptions occur. Residents with electric vehicles will need to find alternative charging arrangements when access is restricted. The use of extension cords within the public right of way is not permitted. The City will try to ensure adequate parking is available within close proximity to your home. Should you require a disability-related accommodation, please contact the City Project Manager.</p>
7	Public Information Session	<p>As there is shallow bedrock present within the project area, what is the minimum distance from the location of rock excavation where the vibrations will not impact a building foundation?</p>	<p>Vibration monitoring will be conducted by the contractor throughout the duration of construction. A pre-construction survey is utilized to document private property conditions adjacent to the project area. Maximum allowable vibration limits are determined during the development of the contract and construction activities are to be ceased immediately should these limits be exceeded until a solution can be implemented to reduce vibrations.</p> <p>You may feel vibrations due to heavy equipment operations. Vibrations from construction activities are quite common and rarely cause any problems.</p>

Note: Comments have been adjusted to remove personal information for privacy.