

WATERFRONT PROJECT 2018-2020

MAY 2020 UPDATE – NEWS BULLETIN 16

SEWER PIPE INSTALL NEARS COMPLETION AT 1ST AVENUE

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR NEXT PHASE OF WATERFRONT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

With one portion of the Waterfront Upgrades 2018-2020 project on track to be finished at the end of May, the project team is looking ahead at the work planned for the rest of the year.

Since February, crews have been working to install a sewer pipe from Rotary Beach Park north to 1st Avenue. That work was interrupted in March (when work was paused to prevent the spread of COVID-19) and by high levels of groundwater, but is set to be completed this month by connecting to the pipe installed between Maritime Heritage Centre and 1st Avenue in 2018. This will complete the second of three phases of the waterfront sewer system upgrades.

Over the spring, a tender was put out by the City for the next stage of work: Phase 3 Highway 19A Upgrades to be completed between Rockland Road and Big Rock Boat Ramp. On May 11, that contract for \$5.19 million was awarded to Wacor Holdings Ltd. With this approved, Wacor will be able to wrap up the sewer work, and circle back to the Upgrades Work seamlessly.

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The open trench is prepared for the new sewer pipe to be installed.

NEXT STEPS FOR CONSTRUCTION

The Phase 3 Highway 19A Upgrades work, to get underway as soon as possible in June, will continue forward the look of previous phases of the upgrades to the south (through Willow Point). It also includes:

- **Key utility upgrades:** New water, sewer and storm services are all part of this project – as is the undergrounding of all overhead powerlines.
- **Rockland Road Roundabout:** A roundabout will be installed at Rockland Road and Highway 19A. Public engagement in the fall of 2019 led to a 'tidal pool' design selected as the preferred option for a centre feature – that work will be completed later, not as part of this construction phase.
- **New park spaces:** An improved Ellis Park, new parklets and beach access and lookout at the Big Rock are all a part of the new design.
- **Safer movement for all transportation:** Bike lanes will be added, as will sidewalks on the west side of the highway. The highway will be widened to add a third lane – a centre turning lane, to keep traffic moving and people safe.

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

The construction work this summer will be intensive, with large trenches disrupting traffic flow. If possible, choose an alternative route. Drivers should expect slow flow, and single-lane alternating traffic stops to the end of 2020.



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A mobile water treatment system was installed to manage groundwater.

GROUNDWATER PRESENTS CHALLENGE FOR CREWS

In early May, as crews approached the hill leading to 1st Ave, the trench that had been dug for laying pipe began filling with groundwater – and a lot of it.

The water presented a challenge for the contractor, who needs the water cleared to complete the installation.

To manage the water, specialized dewatering equipment, including a temporary water treatment plant was installed to collect and treat the water, so clean water could be released to the ocean. This was largely effective; however, the contractor was also required at times to deposit water locally along the roadway using water trucks in order to keep up with inflow. This was necessary to get this portion of work finished.

The work has now moved away from the highest water levels and clean up by the contractor is continuing both on the roadway, and where private properties were impacted by exceptional water release.

UPDATES IN BRIEF



Construction Hours

The City's bylaw allows contractors to work from 7:00am to 10:00pm, Monday to Saturday. While most days this is not all used, it is required at times to complete portions of work within specific timeslots set by equipment needs or the environment (tides, daylight, etc.)



Pedestrian Access

While the seawalk will be disrupted through the construction corridor during the next stage of work, there will be a dedicated pedestrian access created to allow safe passage through the zone over the coming six months.



Homeowners between Rockland Road and Big Rock Boat Ramp

We've been in touch with many of you over the past few months to discuss options regarding property interface at the highway. If you have any other questions, please let us know.

PROJECT MAP

Work has resumed along Highway 19A, on key infrastructure upgrades through the corridor. See right for the waterfront construction route. Work is currently focused around the orange marker.



KEEPING YOU INFORMED



The City is committed to updating area residents as the work moves forward. We will contact people or property owners who will be directly affected by construction.

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