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To: Property Owners/Residents

Re: Contract T2017-163, St. Andrews Street Reconstruction - Grand Avenue to South

Cambridge Boundary, City of Cambridge

Regional staff will be recommending that Regional Council award Contract T2017-163 St. Andrews Street Reconstruction – Grand Ave. to South Cambridge Boundary, City of Cambridge to Steed and Evans of Heidelberg, Ontario at it's meeting on May 3rd, 2017. Upon Council approval, Stage 1 construction (Cedar Street to the South Cambridge Boundary) is tentatively scheduled to commence on or about May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (weather permitting) and be completed by November 30, 2017. Stage 2 construction (Cedar Street to Grand Ave) and surface course asphalt for the entire project will be placed in spring/summer of 2018.

The work under this contract includes the full reconstruction of the road structure on St. Andrews Street (granular and asphalt), replacement of concrete curb and gutter, sidewalks, storm sewer, isolated sanitary sewer, isolated watermain, new on-road cycling facilities, multiuse trail construction and intersection improvements.

#### General Information about this Project

### **Working Hours**

Normal working hours are Monday to Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 pm. Occasional Saturday work and weekend work may occur from time to time.

## **Traffic Restrictions during Construction**

As communicated in a previous letter dated March 22, 2017, it is necessary to provide the Contractor with full road closures in stages on St. Andrews Street to replace underground infrastructure as the roadway is too narrow to complete the construction and maintain traffic. In order to facilitate traffic during these closures, City streets will need to be used to detour vehicular traffic while work is completed. As a result, residents/businesses along these detour routes will experience an increase in the amount of vehicular traffic beyond what is normally encountered on a daily basis.

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During the time these detours are in place local access will remain along St. Andrews Street for residents that live within the active construction zone or for businesses.

If you have questions or concerns regarding traffic or detour related issues please do not hesitate to contact:

Patricia Heft Engineering Technologist (Traffic) Phone: (519) 575 4743

## Access to Businesses, Residences and Side Streets

Access to businesses, residences and intersecting local streets along St. Andrews Street will be maintained to the greatest extent possible; however, short-term disruptions will occur when construction activities are being completed directly adjacent to an entrance or local street. The Contractor will provide as much notice as possible to businesses and residences when construction activities are occurring adjacent to your property.

## Garbage and Recycling (for properties within the active construction limits only)

During construction, for those properties which receive curb-side collection, we ask that you place your garbage in disposable bags (please avoid use of containers) at the curb along with your blue box, green bin and yard waste prior to 6:00 A.M. on your normal collection day. The garbage and recycling materials will be taken by our contractor to adjacent side streets for pickup by Waste Management. Blue boxes and green bins will be returned by day's end.

Please clearly mark your address number on your blue box and green bin to ensure proper return. Please refer to the Region of Waterloo's website regarding recent changes to collection of garbage and recycling at:

www.regionofwaterloo.ca/en/aboutTheEnvironment/waste-management.asp

## Canada Post Mail Delivery (for properties within the active construction limits only)

Properties that receive door service mail delivery should not be affected while construction is taking place in that stage. If you do experience a disruption in your mail delivery please contact Canada Post at 1-866-607-6301 or go to their website <a href="https://www.canadapost.ca">www.canadapost.ca</a> or contact the Region's on-site representative.

## Restoration and Landscaping

The work on this project includes the reinstatement of driveways, sidewalks and any landscaping that is affected by the work. Only the affected portion of a driveway will be replaced/ reinstated. In order to accommodate the work, it is necessary to remove some existing trees within the road right of way; the Region of Waterloo will undertake a tree replacement design. The replacement trees will be planted under a separate contract in 2018.

The Region of Waterloo will not replace existing underground lawn sprinkler systems that exist within the Region's road right-of-way. Should any existing sprinkler system be disturbed we will

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endeavor to salvage the existing sprinkler heads and leave on-site for individual property owners to re-use. Please arrange to have any existing sprinkler system relocated prior to road construction, or as a minimum have the system located (flagged) by your private sprinkler contractor.

#### **Water Service Shutdown**

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In order to complete the work on St. Andrews Street, the Contractor will need to temporarily shutdown the watermain for short periods during construction. Water supply to affected individual properties on St. Andrews Street will be interrupted for a few hours in order to facilitate the reconstruction work. Water service shutdowns are typically scheduled during daytime hours to limit the impact to residents. The Contractor will provide written hand-delivered notification two (2) working days prior to any water service interruption.

# Preconstruction Condition Survey (for properties within and adjacent to the construction limits only)

It is the Region of Waterloo's practice to offer a preconstruction survey of buildings in the vicinity of the road construction activities. While we do not anticipate that buildings abutting or adjacent to the construction will be impacted by the road reconstruction, the preconstruction survey provides thorough documentation of the existing building condition, including any existing cracks or other visible structural or cosmetic defects in both the interior and exterior of the property. If during or after the construction, residents/tenants experience any concerns with their property, the information from the preconstruction survey may prove helpful in resolving concerns. If your property is adjacent to or abutting the construction limits, the Region of Waterloo is requesting your permission to conduct a preconstruction survey of condition of your property.

The survey consists of an interior and exterior inspection of the structures. Exterior inspections will be carried out for the first and second storey including perimeter walkways and landscaping. Interior inspections will be carried out for the basement, first and second storey. There is no cost to the residents/owners for this service.

The Region has retained the firm DST Consulting Engineers Inc. to conduct the preconstruction survey of all buildings abutting or adjacent to the construction limits. You will be contacted by a staff member from DST Consulting Engineers Inc. within the next week to make an appointment for this inspection. While the preconstruction inspection is voluntary, your permission and cooperation in helping us complete this survey is greatly appreciated.

Every reasonable effort will be made during construction to minimize disruption and complete the work efficiently and cost effectively. We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation.

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If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact the undersign

Yours Truly,

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