



NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION Downtown Streetscaping Class Environmental Assessment

The Study

The City of Brantford has completed a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for streetscaping the Downtown to improve walkability, accessibility, and underground infrastructure to allow for development, enhance the infrastructure for all transportation modes, and increase pedestrian capacity. The goal of the streetscaping improvements is to create a Downtown that is attractive, vibrant and safe for users and provides the infrastructure needed to accommodate expected growth. An illustration of the proposed study limits is available on the other side of the page.

The Process

The EA has been undertaken in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule "C" projects as outlined in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015), which is approved under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. The study defined the problem, identified and evaluated alternative solutions to the problem, evaluated alternative design concepts for the solution, and recommended a preferred design concept after assessing potential environmental impacts and identifying mitigation measures associated with the preferred design.

Public Information Centre (PIC) No.3 was held on Thursday, April 7th, 2022 in person at Brantford City Hall. At the PIC, the preferred alternative was presented and reviewed taking into account comments received from the public and regulatory agencies and modified as required. The recommended alternative included:

- Maintaining one-way traffic flow on Colborne Street and Dalhousie Street
- Maintaining parking on both sides of the roads
- Introducing separated cycle lanes on the roads
- Introducing street furnishing zones

The Environmental Study Report

An Environmental Study Report (ESR) has been prepared to document the planning and decision making processes that were followed. By this notice, the ESR is being placed on the public record for a 30-day review period (starting March 30, 2023, and ending April 29, 2023) in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class EA. The ESR is available for review at the following location:

58 Dalhousie Street
P.O Box 818
Brantford, Ontario
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519-759-4150

The ESR is also available at www.brantford.ca/newdowntown.

Any inquiries, comments and requests for further information may be directed to Gagan Batra, Senior Project Manager, Downtown Revitalization (see contact information below). If concerns regarding this project cannot be resolved in discussion with the City of Brantford, a person or party may request that the minister of the Environment Conservation and Parks make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order). Requests for a Part II Order must be received by the minister, at the address noted below, by April 29, 2023. A copy of the request must also be sent to the Director of the Environmental Approval Branch and City of Brantford's Manager. If no request is received by April 29, 2023, the City of Brantford intends to proceed with the detailed design and construction as outlined in the ESR.

**The Honourable
David Piccini**

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Information collected for the study will be used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Except for personal information, including your name, address and property location, all comments received throughout the study will become part of the public record and included in project documentation.

Study Area:



Map 1 - Full Study Area

This notice first issued on March 30, 2023.

