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Dear Property Owner(s):

RE: PRAIRIE AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS

As part of our commitment to keep our community informed, I am writing to inform you of a planned capital construction project in your neighbourhood: Prairie Avenue Improvements between Shaughnessy Street and Fremont Street. Additionally, the project includes construction of a multiuse path north of the ditch between Fremont Street and Burns Road.

At the June 11, 2019 Committee of Council Meeting, staff were approved to proceed with public consultation on the planned improvements. Three distinct options were presented, with the understanding that other variations or combinations of the options throughout the corridor could also be considered (such as option 2 along one block and option 3 along another).

Details about the options can be found in the report on the project website: www.portcoquitlam.ca/prairie.

You are invited to attend our Public Open House to learn more about the project and provide your comments.

- When:** Wednesday, September 18, 2019
- Where:** Hyde Creek Recreation Centre (Gymnasium)
 1379 Laurier Avenue, Port Coquitlam
 Port Coquitlam, BC V3B 2B9
- Time:** 4:30 - 7:00pm

We also invite you to fill out an online survey at www.portcoquitlam.ca/prairie before September 30, 2019.

Construction Impacts

Depending on the option ultimately selected, the work may involve construction of a multiuse path, new sidewalk, curb and gutter, a vegetated median and boulevard, and roundabouts.

In some instances, residents have installed permanent structures or significant landscaping on the City road allowance or boulevard (the space between the road edge and property line). Examples include sprinkler systems, walls, fences, significant landscaping, trees and hedges. While these types of enhancements may be common, they are not permitted by the City's Boulevard Maintenance Bylaw, and may be in the way of the planned improvements. For more information about the rules for boulevards, please see www.portcoquitlam.ca/boulevard.

Every effort will be made to carry out the work with as little inconvenience as possible. This will include providing any affected owners with appropriate advance notice so they can remove their features before any work takes place.

Next steps

Following the public open house and September 30 survey deadline, staff will reconcile all comments provided and prepare a report to Committee of Council recommending a strategy for moving forward. Work on Prairie Avenue is anticipated to commence early 2020, including replacement of drainage and sanitary infrastructure between Cedar Drive and Fremont Street, replacement of a small section of water main just east of Shaughnessy Street, and development of a multiuse path between Fremont Street and Burns Road.

The road works portion of the project is anticipated to take place in phases between 2021 and 2022.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the undersigned at 604-927-5420 or engineering@portcoquitlam.ca. Thank you in advance for your patience during construction.

Yours truly,



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