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Dear Resident/Tenant/Property Owner:

Re: Halls Lane Reconstruction Phase 1 – Gaukel Street to Benton Street

As part of the City of Kitchener's ongoing efforts to provide exceptional service, staff has scheduled road and sewer improvements for Halls Lane from Gaukel Street to Benton Street for the 2011 construction season.

These improvements in Phase 1 are scheduled to begin on or about April 2011, with an estimated completion date on or about November 2011. All phases of the project are estimated to be completed on or about November 2013. Notification will be provided closer to the construction start date for when work is scheduled to start on the section of Halls Lane that will be affecting you, and also how access to your business will be affected.

The specific improvements scheduled for this street are:

- Upgrade the existing storm sewer, sanitary sewer and water mains as required.
- Replace existing sanitary and water services for the new mains to the property line.
- Replace buried utilities (Hydro, Bell, gas, etc.).
- Replace the existing roadway.

These improvements are being completed to upgrade the existing, deteriorated underground services and above-ground surface features, in order to prevent future system failure. This project is being funded through tax dollars, as well as user rates from various utilities and services involved in the reconstruction including water and sewer user rates. There will be no direct costs to property owners under the Local Improvements Act.

In order to carry out this work, it will be necessary to close Halls Lane to through traffic. Prior to any road closure, signs will be posted on the approaching streets advising motorists of the date and the duration of the closure.

Access to all properties within the construction area will be maintained as long as possible. When it becomes necessary to completely close off the street to traffic, alternate downtown parking arrangements will be made by the City, allowing residents to park according to posted regulations on adjacent side streets.

A public open house has been scheduled for all members of the public including owners, tenants and residents that will be directly affected by the proposed improvements on:

Wednesday, March 2, 2011

**City of Kitchener, City Hall, Rotunda
200 King Street West
Kitchener, ON N2G 4G7**

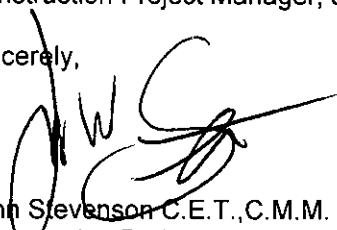
5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

City of Kitchener and The Walter Fedy Partnership staff will be present to answer your questions and discuss details about the proposed improvements to Halls Lane.

In order to support your participation in this public information session, if you require disability-related accommodations, please contact the undersigned by *February 28, 2011* with your request.

If you have any questions and/or concerns about this project and cannot attend the open house, an information package is available by going to www.kitchener.ca or by contacting the Construction Project Manager, John Stevenson, listed below.

Sincerely,



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