Pre-Construction Notice:  
Wenige Expressway Bridge and Highbury Avenue South Rehabilitations

Date: December 11, 2019

To: Business owner, resident and/or property owner

The City of London is planning on rehabilitating the Wenige Expressway Bridge over the South Branch of the Thames River in 2020 to extend the life of this structure. Originally constructed in 1985, the heavy traffic loading and age of the bridge has resulted in the need for a major rehabilitation.

The City of London has retained Parsons Consulting Ltd. to design this project, and for reviewing options for rehabilitating Highbury Avenue South from Highway 401 to the Wenige Expressway Bridge in 2021/2022. Originally constructed in the early 1960's, this roadway is nearing the end of its service life.

Project Location:
The map below shows the project limits for Phase 1:

Phase 1 Proposed Work Details:

The rehabilitation of the Wenige Expressway Bridge (Phase 1) will begin in March, 2020 and last until May, 2021. Phase 1 will consist of the following work:

1. Bridge rehabilitation including:
   a. Complete deck replacement and widening of the structure to accommodate widened road structure (4 x 3.6m lanes plus shoulders and barriers) complete with waterproofing;
   b. Recoating of structural steel;
   c. Abutment improvements;
   d. Drainage improvements; and
   e. New street lighting;
2. Removal and replacement of median barrier and street lights from south of Hamilton Road to south of the Thames River
3. Construction of a new section of the Thames Valley Pathway under the south abutment;

Transportation Impacts:
During the construction season, traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction. Access from Power Street to Highbury Avenue will be closed for the construction season. The Thames Valley Parkway will be closed for specific durations during this project as it would not be safe for pedestrians and cyclists to travel in close proximity to the proposed construction. The City will work with the contractor to limit these impacts.
Phase 2 Proposed Work Details:

Highbury Avenue South rehabilitations (Phase 2) is tentatively scheduled to start in 2021, last 2 years and it will consist of the following work:

1. Complete road reconstruction of Highbury Avenue South from the Wenige Expressway Bridge to Highway 401;
2. Localized culvert replacements.

Transportation Impacts:
During the construction season, traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction.

Proposed Project Timeline:
Next steps related to this project are listed below.

- Online Public Update posting date: December 16, 2019
- Construction notice: March, 2020
- Phase 1 construction starts: March, 2020
- Phase 1 construction ends: May, 2021
- Phase 2 construction starts: April, 2021
- Phase 2 construction ends: November, 2022

Online Project Update:
The City will post general project information on the following webpage: www.london.ca/highburyandwenige. Please check this website throughout the project for updates.

Contact Information:
The City is committed to keeping you informed during the project. Please reach out to your City project manager at any time.

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Project Updates:
Renew London Interactive Map
Use the interactive map on Renew London (london.ca/roadwork) to search your street name to find current information about your construction project and other city-wide road work.

Waze Navigation App
Download Waze (waze.com), a free traffic and navigation app with local road closure information and real-time traffic alerts to get navigation assistance on the go.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. We look forward to completing these important rehabilitations in your area as we work towards building a more sustainable city.

Sincerely,

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