

NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION



Region of Waterloo

King Street North and Uptown Waterloo Streetscape Improvements, ION Tracks to University Avenue, City of Waterloo



Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment

The Regional Municipality of Waterloo, in conjunction with the City of Waterloo, has completed a planning study in accordance with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act (OEAA). The study has been undertaken in accordance with the requirements for Schedule 'C' projects outlined in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) guidelines.

Based on a review of all of the comments received during public consultation and the technical information gathered during the preliminary design phase of the project, a thorough evaluation has been conducted of the various design alternatives for this project. Following this evaluation process, the Recommended Design Alternative has been developed for the King Street Improvements project as follows:

King Street, Erb Street to Central Street:

- One 3.8m travel lane in each direction (wider lanes to provide additional space for emergency service vehicles and stopped delivery vehicles);
- 3.0m left turn lanes at Erb Street, Bridgeport Road, Spring Street and Central Street;
- 2.0m on-street parking stalls on the east side of the street;
- 1.8m segregated bike lane on both sides of the street;
- 0.7m mountable roll-over curb;
- 4.0m sidewalk and amenity space with new street tree planting/landscaping;
- Accessibility ramps at some building entrances; and
- Opportunities to convert parking spaces into dedicated loading/unloading zones (to be considered further).

King Street, Central Street to University Avenue:

- One 3.25m travel lane in each direction;
- 3.0m centre left turn lanes at side streets;
- Raised islands with landscaping and/or pedestrian refuge;
- 1.8m segregated bike lane on both sides of the street;
- 0.7m mountable roll-over curb;
- 2.4m sidewalk on the west side and 2.0m sidewalk on the east side of the street; and
- Adjustments to the eastbound right turn lane on University Avenue to include a new channelized right turn lane with pedestrian refuge island.

The section of King Street south of Erb Street was originally approved under the EA completed for the Rapid Transit ION project. The ION project EA did not include any provision for cycling lanes as the requirements for cycling north of Erb Street were unknown at the time of approval. Based on feedback from the community during the King Street EA, 1.5m on-road cycling lanes are being proposed south of Erb Street to provide a connection with the new ION station and new Waterloo Spur multi-use trail. The Region and City will continue to work with the community during the detailed design phase for King Street and determine if segregated cycling lanes can be implemented as part of the ION project.

By issue of this Notice, the Environmental Study Report (ESR) is being placed on public record for a 30-day period. The ESR will be available for public review from September 2, 2015 to October 1, 2015, both dates inclusive, at the following locations during normal business hours, 8:30am to 4:30pm, Monday to Friday:

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Clerk's Office
150 Frederick Street, 2nd Floor
Kitchener, Ontario N2G4J3
Office: 519-575-4420
Website:

www.regionofwaterloo.ca/en/regionalgovernment/publicnotices.asp

City of Waterloo City Hall
Office of the City Clerk
100 Regina Street South, PO Box 337,
Stn Waterloo
Waterloo, Ontario N2J 4A8
Office: 519-886-1550
Website: www.waterloo.ca

Interested persons may provide written comments to the Regional Clerk. If concerns from the public regarding this project cannot be resolved in discussion with the Region and City of Waterloo, a person or party may contact the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) and request a Part II Order. Requests must be sent to the Minister at the address below and copied to the Region's Project Manager on or before October 1, 2015.

Minister of the Environment and Climate Change
77 Wellesley Street West (11th Floor), Toronto, ON M7A 2T5
Fax: 416-314-8452

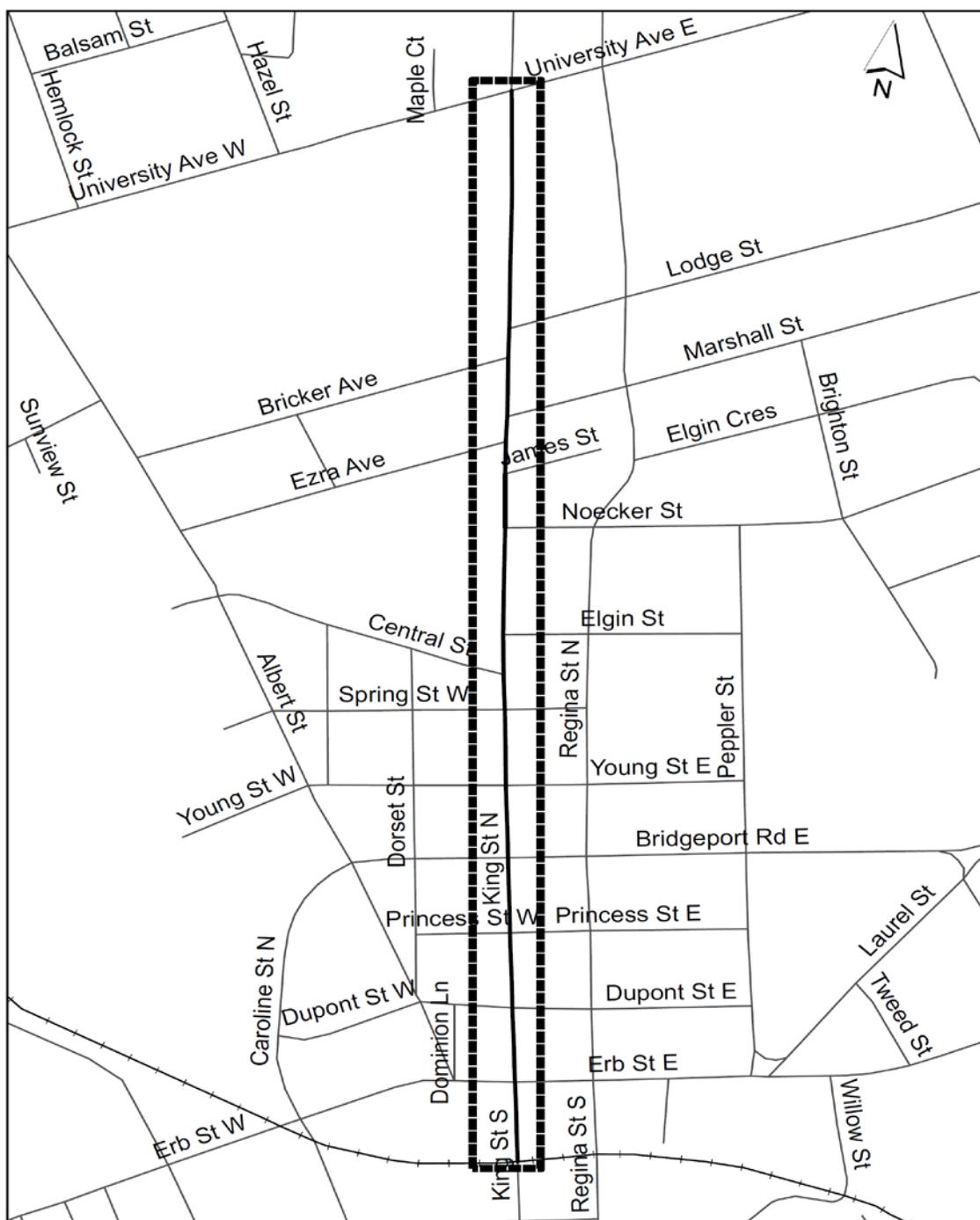
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This notice was issued on September 2, 2015.



Study Area