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Councillor's Update

Carlington Community Association

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417 E-E On-Ramp Closure

Last week the Ministry of Transportation advised that the 417 East-East on-ramp at Westgate will close permanently on Monday, March 26. The closure is associated with the Province's 417 widening project from Maitland to Island Park, and was approved by the Minister as part of that project's Environmental Assessment process. I have secured funding for speed humps on Coldrey Avenue to help mitigate the anticipated cut through traffic from the ramp closure.

I will continue to work with the Ministry and City on this project and will keep local residents informed as this unfolds.



Merivale Road Community Design Plan

Over the past several months the City of Ottawa has been developing the Merivale Road (North) Community Design Plan. After multiple public meetings and significant feedback received from local residents, business owners, and the Carlington Community Association, City staff have released a final draft for review. The final draft of the CDP along with other information regarding the study process is available for review and comments on the project webpage at: <https://ottawa.ca/en/imagine-merivale-road-north-community-design-plan>.

Although the formal commenting period has ended on the final draft, the Project Manager has advised that he will continue to accept resident feedback and comments. Your comments will help inform preparation of the final report to be presented for approval this spring to Planning Committee and Council.

Some of the highlights of the Merivale Road (North) CDP include:

- The creation of a complete street design plan to improve walking, cycling, transit and streetscape elements in the future when major road reconstruction occurs.
- Implementation of a range of economic development initiatives including the vision for naming the corridor 'Carlington Village'.

Update to zoning of some of the lands within the corridor Traditional Mainstreet (TM) zone to increase the range of permitted uses. This will help future prospective developers to come forward with new and innovative design and development ideas for the corridor.

I would invite all residents to take some time to review the CDP document.

Carlington Hill Update on Mountain Bike Course

In the autumn of 2017, the Ottawa Mountain Bike Association (OMBA) received a conditional grant from the City of Ottawa, up to \$153,000 to cover off the design and construction of the mountain bike track and pump course, on approximately half of the north facing meadow of the Hill.

The grant is a one-for-one, meaning every dollar the City provides, must be matched by a dollar, volunteer hours or contributions in kind by OMBA. A subcommittee of local residents has been formed to discuss fundraising, volunteer recruitment, communications, etc. OMBA intends to have the pump track and course open on 2018.

As per a number of amendments I wrote in to the City Council motion, there will be mandatory community consultation on the design of the OMBA track and course, likely in the Spring.