



March 25, 2019

Dear Property Owner/Tenant:

**Re: City of Niagara Falls Contract 2018-417-16
River Road – Zimmerman Avenue to Queen St
Notice of Construction**

The City of Niagara Falls (City) will resume with the watermain project on River Road from Zimmerman Avenue to Queen Street, which was postpone from last fall. This contract will be carried out for the City by Catalina Excavating Inc. at a tendered cost of \$447,415.00 (excluding HST). Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin April 1, 2019, and will be continuous, dependant on weather, until completion.

Due to the scope of the work involved, street accessibility will be affected during construction. Every effort will be made to provide you with advance notice when this occurs. At times there will be some inconvenience to you during the construction period and I respectfully request your patience and co-operation.

Please be advised, that there will also be periodic times when your water will be shut off to conduct the connections to the new watermain. For all planned shut downs, you will be advised in advance, prior to the shut off. There may also be unforeseen emergency shut downs, all efforts will be made to notify you; however, notification may not always be possible. If you experience brown or discoloured water, please allow the water to run until clear. Should the water remain discoloured after continuous flow for greater than 30 minutes, please contact this Project Manager or the City's water department at 905-356-1355.

If we disturb your property during construction, the City or our Contractor will carry out the necessary repairs as quickly as possible. Restoration timing for concrete, asphalt and sod work will occur after the underground installations and timing will be weather dependent.

With respect to sod restoration, please be advised that the City's Contractor will water newly sodded areas immediately after placement. To ensure proper root growth, please continue to water the newly sodded areas as needed.

Decorative or landscaping items (shrubs, hedges, fences, gardens, boulders, etc.) situated on City property should be removed or relocated off City property prior to

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construction. If you are uncertain if these items are on City property please contact this Project Manager for assistance.

Plantings removed or damaged during construction, like shrubs, hedges, trees, etc., will not be replaced; however, all efforts will be made to salvage shrubs and hedges. If a tree is removed, it will not be replaced as part of this contract. A replacement tree can be requested through the City's forestry program. Replacement trees, and requested tree species, cannot be guaranteed. To request a replacement tree please contact this Project Manager.

If you have a private system, such as irrigation or lighting, on City property, please spray paint, white paint only, or stake out the location of all underground infrastructures. Only existing systems, which have been correctly located by the property owner and are damaged by the Contractor, will be repaired. The property owner will be responsible for repairs to systems on City property that are damaged, but were not located prior by the owner. If you have a system that you suspect may be on City property and do not know the location of underground infrastructure please contact the City's Project Manager.

During the replacement of municipal servicing, underground telecommunication services to your home, such as Bell or Cogeco, may be disrupted. Service repairs must be requested by the account owner directly. The Contractor is not permitted to repair damaged service or request service repairs. For damages to Bell services please call 1-844-225-5550. For damages to Cogeco services please call 1-855-853-2609 (Option 4) or (905) 333-8809. Please note that there is no cost associated with the repair work.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any comments, questions or concerns.

Yours truly,



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