

December 13, 2021

PRE-CONSTRUCTION NOTICE TO RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES

**Contract No. 2021-T-47
Reconstruction of Regional Road 43 (Bridge St.) and Victoria Ave.
In the City of Niagara Falls**

Please be advised that The Regional Municipality of Niagara (The Region) will be reconstructing the intersection of Regional Road 43 (Bridge St.) and Victoria Ave., in the City of Niagara Falls. Rankin Construction Inc. will carry out this work under Contract No. 2021-T-47.

The Niagara Region has declared this project as an essential project. Work is proceeding under this declaration. The contractor will be required to provide a Covid-19 Health and Safety Policy for completing this work under current recommended guidelines. This includes social distancing both with other crew members and the public who may approach the job site. We respectfully request that this social distancing be reciprocated by the public towards the crew members on site. Notifications will be delivered as required to front doors and interaction will be avoided unless circumstances dictate that verbal notification is required. In those instances, social distancing of at least 2.0m will be maintained.

Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin late January 2022 pending weather and continue until completion in August 2022.

The existing intersection at RR 43 (Bridge St.) and Victoria Ave. will be converted into a five leg roundabout. Additional work will include the replacement of the existing watermain and storm and sanitary sewers.

Residents are advised to visit the Niagara Region's website [Thorold Stone Road Extension and Bridge Street Reconstruction - Niagara Region, Ontario](#) for upcoming project updates, and of road closures & related detour routes.

Please follow the public-facing website for Niagara Region road closures www.Municipal511.ca for real-time information on road closures and construction updates. Municipal 511 share road information that connected directly to Google Maps and Waze and help Niagara Region, Local Area Municipalities and MTO to better coordinate local construction projects to minimize traffic disruption.

Every effort will be made to maintain access to abutting properties and to minimize inconvenience to businesses, residents and pedestrians. The Region's construction inspector will be Ms. Pam Goobie, cell phone 905-327-3811. Ms. Goobie can be contacted for information or to identify concerns.

Periodically, there will be some inconvenience to you during the construction period. Due to the scope of work involved, driveway access may be affected, and whenever possible you will be provided advance notice should this occur. Every effort will be made to maintain access to adjacent properties, and to minimize inconvenience to businesses, residents and pedestrians. Staff from the Niagara Region or the Region's contractor will be contacting you to discuss details of your driveway entrance. In order to protect construction workers, and complete the

work safely and cost effectively, temporary lane closures may be required and traffic will be unavoidably congested at these times. Such closures will be minimized as much as possible. Caution is requested when walking through the construction zone.

In some cases, the front of your property (lawn and driveway) may be disturbed during construction. The contractor will carry out the necessary restoration. Driveways, if disturbed, will be repaired with the same material as existing. If there are any concerns with the above-mentioned work which may occur on your property adjacent to the Region's road allowance, please notify the Region's construction inspector prior to the commencement of the work and the Region will address your concerns.

The project will include the construction of sidewalks and regrading of the boulevard within the road allowance. The Region's construction inspector will advise you at the beginning of the project if any landscaping items (i.e. trees, shrubs, hedges, fences, planters, statues, irrigation systems, etc.), **that are located on Region property**, are in conflict with the proposed works. Property owners should remove and/or relocate these items prior to construction as they may otherwise be damaged, destroyed or removed during construction.

Prior to construction, a representative of **OZA Inspections** will be contacting you to arrange for an inspection of the interior and exterior of your house or building. The purpose of this inspection is to determine and document the extent of any cracking or other damage that exists prior to the commencement of construction. This information can then be used to determine the extent of the contractor's responsibility in the unlikely event that damage to your house or building occurs during construction. The representative will have identification for your review. It is to the property owner's advantage to allow them to complete the inspection and document the condition of your property.

Should you have any questions or encounter any problems during the work, please feel free to approach our construction inspector, Ms. Pam Goobie, 905-327-3811, on site. You may also contact one of the following individuals:

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Your patience and co-operation throughout this project is appreciated.