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Dear Resident/Property Owner:

**Re: Southdale Avenue Reconstruction (Kehl Street to Hoffman Street)**

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As part of the City of Kitchener's ongoing efforts to provide exceptional service, staff has scheduled road and sewer improvements in your neighbourhood on the street listed above.

These improvements are tentatively scheduled to begin, on or about, April 4, 2022, with an estimated completion date on or about August 26, 2022 subject to Council budget approval in early 2022. Once a schedule for the construction has been confirmed you will be notified. You will also be notified closer to the date construction is scheduled to start on your section of the street, and also how long access to your driveway will be affected.

The specific improvements scheduled for this street are:

- Upgrade the existing storm sewer, sanitary sewer and water mains.
- Replace existing sanitary and water services from the new mains to the property line.
- Curb and gutter, and sidewalks will be installed.
- Upgrade the asphalt roadway.
- Replace all driveway ramp entrances in concrete.

The City is proposing some elements of the "Complete Streets" approach including a narrower, roadway, wider sidewalks on both sides of the street, a new sidewalk on the south side of the street and a multi-use path on the north side of the street. The roadway asphalt width will be reduced from 9.0m to 7.0m from the bend to Hoffman Street and from 9.0m to 6.0m from the bend to Kehl Street. Parking will be allowed as it is currently allowed. The width of the sidewalk on both sides of the street will be increased from the existing width of 1.5m to 1.8m.

These improvements are being done to upgrade the existing, deteriorated underground services and above-ground surface features, in order to prevent future system failure. The project will be funded through utility user fees and will not result in a direct charge to the homeowner.

In order to carry out these improvements, it will be necessary to close this street to through traffic. Prior to any road closure, signs will be posted on the approaching streets advising motorists of the date and the duration of the closure.

Pedestrian access will be maintained to all properties at all times and vehicular access to all properties within the construction area will be maintained for as long as possible. On-street parking permits, which will allow parking on adjacent side streets, will be hand-delivered to affected homes before vehicular access is cut off.

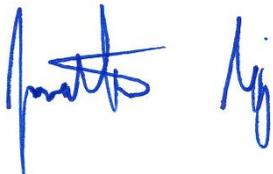
Presentation materials outlining project details have been posted for viewing of all members of the public including owners and residents that will be directly affected by the proposed improvements. Please visit <https://www.kitchener.ca/en/development-and-construction/infrastructure-projects.aspx> and look under the "**Southdale Avenue reconstruction project**" section for more information.

Before construction starts, a survey of the existing homes and businesses will be undertaken to determine the condition of the buildings in the construction area. The selected consulting firm will contact you directly to arrange for a voluntary inspection of the exterior and interior of your building. This inspection is done to protect the property owner.

In order to help us address any specific issues or considerations, we ask that you please fill out the enclosed Resident/Owner Questionnaire Form, and return it to the City of Kitchener by November 26, 2021

If you have any questions and/or concerns about this project, please feel free to contact the project manager, Jon Seip, by phone at 519-741-2200 ext. 7143 or by email at [jon.seip@kitchener.ca](mailto:jon.seip@kitchener.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jon Seip', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Jon Seip, C.E.T.**  
Engineering Technologist / Engineering Services / City of Kitchener

cc: Mayor's Office, Ward Councillor, Steve Allen Manager of Eng. Design & Approvals