



Motion

Re: Victoria Avenue Reconstruction

“That Victoria Avenue underground infrastructure proceed as planned; Victoria Avenue's original design, including original sidewalks, boulevards, two direction street traffic and original lampposts be maintained. The area from McNaughton Avenue to Thames Street not incorporate a multi use asphalt path. Victoria Avenue would not appear ANY differently after construction than it is today, as has been for almost 200 years, aside from perhaps road narrowing and speed humps to calm traffic.

Any and all trees that were slated for removal be retained and appropriately trimmed. All trees on Victoria Avenue within the scope of the projected project be properly maintained and therefore not removed. This is compliant with recently adopted Municipality of Chatham-Kent official policy;

Retaining the original design of Victoria Avenue prevents the creation of asphalt strips adjacent to the roadway. This will keep the walkway on Victoria Avenue safe for all pedestrians. Adult cyclists will continue to safely travel the roadway of Victoria Avenue. Not removing 6 meters of green grass and replacing it with asphalt complies with the Municipalities recent declaration of a Climate Emergency policy.

The money saved by not redesigning Victoria Avenue, and simply replacing the underground infrastructure, be directed to the emergency needs of Erie Shore Drive and it's residents.”

Signed: Councillor Michael Bondy

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