

COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE WOODWARD WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE

MEETING #39

January 10, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.
In-person & Virtual Meeting via MS Teams

MINUTES

Attendees:

Tim Crowley (TC) Mark Bainbridge (MB2) Melanie Anderton (MA)
Jacques Hypolite (JH2) Kristin O'Connor (KO) Wendy Ariens-Tomes (WAT)

Regrets

Pat Thiessen (PT) Nick Winters (NW) John Helka (JH)
David Kebick (DK) Ivan Luksic (IL) Judie Choppick (JC)
Jeremy Ying (JY) Ashlee Fougere (AF) Marilyn Bell (MB)
Councillor Tammy Hwang (TW)

Distribution: All

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1.	<p>WELCOME</p> <p>MB2 welcomed everyone to the Woodward Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Upgrade Project Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Meeting # 39 which was followed by an introduction to Kristin O'Connor, who has replaced previous CLC member Julie Vanden Byllaardt.</p>	
2.	<p>CLC PROCESS</p> <p>REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES</p> <p>TC reported no open action items from the September 13, 2023, meeting minutes.</p> <p>ODOUR COMPLAINTS</p> <p>TC stated that since the last CLC meeting there were seven odour complaints at the Woodward WWTP.</p> <p><u>September 21, 2023 (Knox Ave)</u> An operator was sent to check out the area and odours were detected near the Biosolids facility. The operator confirmed that the odour control units were all working properly but increased the perfume dose to help mitigate any odours.</p> <p><u>September 22, 2023 (Knox Ave)</u> An operator was sent to check out the area and odours were detected near the Biosolids facility. It was identified that an exhaust vent at the Biosolids facility was running, and it was confirmed that it was also operational on September 21, 2023. Biosolids facility staff established that they shut down exhaust vent, which will also not be used during future loading operations.</p>	

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	<p><u>September 24, 2023 (Knox Ave)</u> An operator was sent to check out the area and no odours were detected. The operator confirmed that the odour control units were all working properly but increased the perfume dose to help mitigate any odours.</p> <p><u>September 30, 2023 (Knox Ave)</u> An operator was sent to check out the area and no odours were detected. The operator confirmed that the odour control units were all working properly but increased the perfume dose to help mitigate any odours.</p> <p><u>October 4, 2023 (Quebec St.)</u> An operator was sent to check out the area and a mild odour was detected from primary tank #12. The tank was drained and flushed, and the odour control system was placed into continuous operations overnight.</p> <p><u>October 12, 2023 (Brampton St.)</u> An operator was sent to check out the area and a mild odour was detected from primary tank #4, which was already drained for maintenance repair. The tank was flushed to reduce potential odour while out of service. The odour control system was also switched to continuous mode.</p> <p><u>November 16, 2023 (Knox Ave)</u> An operator was sent to check out the area and no odours were detected. The operator confirmed that the odour control units were all working properly but increased the perfume dose to help mitigate any odours.</p> <p>TC followed up by indicating that there were no complaints received as part of the Woodward Upgrades Project construction.</p>	
3.	<p>WOODWARD UPGRADE PROJECT (WUP)</p> <p>PROJECT UPDATE</p> <p>TC provided an update on the status of the construction projects by displaying a YouTube video.</p> <p>Raw Sewage Pumping Station (MPS) - 100% complete:</p> <p><u>Recent works include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract remains in its 2-year warranty period. <p>Electrical System Upgrades (ELU) – 100% complete:</p> <p><u>Recent works include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract remains in its 2-year warranty period. <p>Tertiary Treatment Upgrades (TTU) - 100% complete:</p> <p><u>Recent works include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substantial Performance is expected in Q1 2024, after which the contract will enter its 2-year warranty period. 	

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	<p>KO inquired into the 2-year warranty period of each contract and whether anything was or is expected to be claimed under warranty during each contract's specific timeframe. MB2 responded that nothing major has been identified to date with regards to a warranty claim under the MPS and ELU contracts.</p> <p>TC also provided a history of wastewater in Hamilton video to attendees which included the advancements and changes to the 700 Woodward Ave site.</p>	
<p>4.</p>	<p>COMMUNICATIONS</p> <p>Community Appreciation Event:</p> <p>MA highlighted the Community Appreciation Event, which included educational displays, touch a truck, bus tours and food for attending guests in gratitude of their patience and understanding while construction activities progressed.</p> <p>Media Event:</p> <p>MA highlighted the Media Event, which included educational displays, dignitary speeches and a tour of the Tertiary Treatment facility. Also highlighted were the following two social media posts celebrating the milestone achievement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instagram Reel: City of Hamilton • Instagram Reel: Kinga Surma, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure <p>KO thanked the City, specifically MA for all the effort that was put into each event. KO was in attendance for the Media Event and commented that it was well organized and appreciated by all in attendance.</p> <p>Tertiary Treatment Building Atrium Interactive Display:</p> <p>MA concluded by highlighting the completed work in the atrium of the new Tertiary Treatment facility. This included educational displays summarizing the history of wastewater treatment in Hamilton from 1800 to present, in addition to the life-sized display of the disc filter and accompanying interpretive panel to educate visitors.</p>	
<p>5.</p>	<p>NEXT MEETING</p> <p>MB2 discussed the next phase of the Woodward CLC by stating that the committee would change focus to the upcoming expansion project to support the growth requirements into the early 2030's. As previously discussed, the current upgrades addressed the quality of water leaving the wastewater treatment plant while the expansion project addresses the quantity of water treated.</p> <p>MB2 informed attendees that discussions will occur throughout 2024 with regards to either maintaining or modifying the CLC to support the expansion project. A "call for interest" will follow to both current CLC members and potential new members within the local community.</p> <p>JH2 responded that the Ward 4 office would be able to support recruitment efforts to the local community through either their monthly newsletters or quarterly townhalls, which MB2 was appreciative.</p>	

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	<p>The next CLC meeting is tentatively scheduled to take place on Wednesday May 8, 2024, at 7pm. The City will issue a meeting invitation and an agenda closer to the date, which is dependent on any additional information to share based on the substantial completion of the TTU contract.</p> <p><i>Please forward any questions/comments on these minutes to Tim Crowley via Cheryl Heaslip (Cheryl.Heaslip@hamilton.ca) 905-546-2424 x 2383.</i></p>	ACTION