Comments Received During the 45-day Review Period for Garner Rd EA

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2025-12-06	9:27	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Olivia Stanciu	Hello Olivia, I'm trying to review the environmental assessment for garner road, however, when I try to open the link I get a 404 page. Are you able to send it to me? [redacted]	Good morning [redacted], I am so sorry about that! Please find the link below: www.hamilton.ca/garnerEA Thank you!
2025-12-07	8:32	Email	Frank Biancucci	frank biancucci <fgbworld@gmail.com>	Olivia Stanciu	Good morning Olivia, Just an fyi received a printed copy of the notification of the report as I am in the catchment area that will be affected by the construction. I tried the URL provided in the letter to connect to the EA on the website and got an error message. I did however manage to get the report on the City's website. Regards [redacted]	Good morning [redacted], Thank you so much for letting me know!
2025-12-02	10:36	Email	Peter Graham	Peter Graham <LRCS@sixnations.ca>	Olivia Stanciu	Good morning, I am writing on behalf of Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council. Please find my request for a Section 16 order for Hamilton's Garner Road EA attached. Thank you, Peter Graham Consultation Supervisor Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council	Forwarded to Megan Salvucci, who reached out to Legal department for guidance for next steps
2025-12-05	14:29	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Megan Salvucci	Good afternoon, [redacted] I wanted to ask about the noise as per the notice , here was a reference to noise level and mitigation to be in 3.2.5 Appendix B 8.2 ? Is that too come. Also, there is reference to expropriation for properties affected. I was curious as to what the definition of affected properties an when those conversations start to happen. Thanx so much. Residential, Commercial & Alternative Lending [redacted]	Good morning [redacted] Thank you for reaching out! Regarding the noise report, you can find the whole report as Appendix B of the Environmental Study Report (ESR). Section 8.2 is part of the ESR, page 94 of ESR, and it provides a summary of Appendix B, which states that the future daytime noise level is not expected to increase over 5dB at any of the existing receptors. Regarding the affected properties, Appendix H shows the preliminary plans. Please see below the part of the plan that shows your property. The black line represents the existing property line and the light blue is the proposed property line. The discussions for property acquisition start during the detailed design phase of the project. Detailed design phase is scheduled to start in 2026, and as the project progresses, the property acquisition team will reach out to you. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you have any other questions. Thank you! Kind regards, Olivia Stanciu, M. Sc., PMP (she/her) Project Manager – Capital Planning Infrastructure Renewal Engineering Services Public Works, City of Hamilton (905) 546-2424, ext. 4101
2025-12-08	13:48	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Olivia Stanciu	Good morning, I look forward to the conversations. Is there a template that expropriations follows? Maybe I am jumping ahead a bit. I was going to supply you with a speed report that the city did, showing the extremes speeds that I was supplied under the freedom of information. Although the speed limit is posted 60km/h and this is what you used in your study. It is significantly higher with speeds reaching 130km. It is unenforceable between Fiddlers and Shave/Wilson. Ancaster has a mere 2 beat cops. So, in reality a noise stude at 60km is not reality. I have had [redacted] here to my house and he is fully aware. Just an FYI for you, if you want the study, just let me know. [redacted]	Good afternoon [redacted] The Environmental Assessment covers the first 30% of the design. During the detail design phase, as the project continues, the final design will reveal the exact properties and areas that will be needed. At that point, the property acquisition team will reach out to you. Regarding the speed, the design includes narrower lanes and curb and gutter. These measures will slow traffic down. Thank you so much for offering the speed report! I will let the design team know, and we'll reach out to you if needed. Thank you again!

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2025-12-05	11:38	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Olivia Stanciu	Good day Olivia, I've contacted you a while ago and I have been trying to follow up with the city in regards to the part of the plan that considers houses along garner road. I am at the [redacted] and during the co struction my fence along with many other neighbours have basically fallen down. We are holding them up with ratchets and ropes. I had previously enquired about a sound fence and have made many calls but have been given nothing but a run around. There are many sound walls in Ancaster along Wilson that don't even have houses along them. Is there a plan to do this for our neighbourhood? If so great! If not why? Thanks Andrew	Good afternoon [redacted], Thank you very much for reaching out. I am truly sorry to hear about the condition of your fence. Our construction team has advised that all works were undertaken on the south side of Garner Road and that no activities were carried out on the north side that would have affected adjacent properties. However, if you are able to provide evidence that the damage to your fence resulted from the construction works, you are welcome to submit a claim for review through this link: https://www.hamilton.ca/home-neighbourhood/house-home/property/property-damage. With respect to the noise walls, a comprehensive noise assessment was completed as part of the Environmental Study Report (ESR), which can be found in Appendix B. The assessment evaluated 35 receptors within existing noise-sensitive areas, as well as seven representative receptors for proposed future developments. The results indicate that future noise levels are not expected to increase by more than 5 dB at any of the existing receptors. As such, noise mitigation is not required for those areas. For your reference, please see below an excerpt from Appendix B illustrating the existing noise receptors in your area (shown as blue markers). Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions or require additional information. Thank you once again for your inquiry.
10-Dec	20:10	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Olivia Stanciu	Hello, [redacted]. I wanted to say that the letter I received about the Notice of Study completion contains the wrong link for the environmental study. Also, after two years of massive construction inconvenience do you think this is a good time for massive interruptions again? Have you thought about the anger more construction will cause for residents? Thank you.	Good morning [redacted], Thank you for bringing this to our attention. Unfortunately, we've noticed that the original link stopped working after the letters were sent out. Please find the correct link here: www.hamilton.ca/garnerEA. Regarding the construction timeline, we understand this may be frustrating. At this stage, the project is moving into the design phase, which is expected to take approximately three years to complete. Following that, construction will begin from Upper Paradise toward Wilson Street and will take several years to finish. Thank you for your understanding and patience as we work through these phases.
5-Jan	11:26	Email	Lori Ambo	lambo@cogeco.ca	Olivia Stanciu	Good morning, I have read the letter numerous times about the study for Garner Road and widening. I have lived in [redacted] my whole life and here for about 40 years and I've seen many different changes and I have no idea why someone thinks that we need more lanes to make people go even faster and make it unsafe. I live at [redacted] the only time This road may be what could be called as stop and go for about up to an hour or so is when there is an accident on the 403. It could be a little slower on days where school is starting or being let out and that's not every day. If something needs to be widened it's the 403. That's where everyone gets bottlenecked going down the hill. I know that's a different issue. We have two lanes plus a Lane in the middle for turning but it is not consistent all the way. That's all that is needed !!! as far as putting a sidewalk on the south side of the road makes no sense. The people that are walking are on the north side because it's a survey they wouldn't cross a 4 Lane Rd. to get to another sidewalk. Myself I use a scooter to get around and would not be comfortable crossing four lanes. Then the next thing someone will suggest there should be a stoplight in front of my house. I think there are a lot more pertinent things. The city should spend money on needed changes and stop overthinking something that with a little tweaking (consistent, three lanes,) adjusted to optimize traffic flow. Next thing will be changing all the roads such as fiddlers and Southcote to 3 lanes or four because we're bottlenecking them because they can't accept the flow. The traffic issues in the village and Rousseau are vital and this road is not. I could write a book about this, but I won't. I hope commonsense will prevail and put our tax dollars where they are needed. Thank you [redacted]	Good afternoon [redacted] Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed widening of Garner Road. We appreciate your perspective and your long-standing connection to the community. A comprehensive traffic study was completed for this corridor, and the findings indicated that four lanes are warranted to accommodate current and future traffic volumes. To address concerns about speed and safety, the design incorporates narrower lane widths along with curb and gutter features, which are proven measures to help calm traffic and create a safer environment for all road users. Regarding pedestrian infrastructure, the proposed sidewalk on the south side of Garner Road will be consistent throughout the entire corridor. This approach is intended to support future developments in the area and improve connectivity. Additionally, pedestrian crossings will be installed at bus stop locations to enhance safety and accessibility for those walking or using mobility devices. We understand that changes of this nature can raise questions, and we remain committed to ensuring that the design prioritizes safety and accessibility for all residents. If you have further questions or would like additional details about the study or design elements, please do not hesitate to reach out. Thank you again for your feedback and engagement in this process. Kind regards,
2026-01-06	13:52	Phone	[redacted]	[redacted]	Olivia Stanciu	Left voicemail to reach back before the comment period ended as he has a question regarding the EA	Called back and explained that the culvert and creek by his property [redacted] will be looked at in more detail during the detail design phase and that more public meetings will happen before the construction phase will commence.

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2026-12-26	9:40	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Olivia Stanciu	Good morning, I see I was not contacted by the project team so it is evident that the actual/real speeds on Garner road @ Hamilton Dr. has been dismissed to facilitate your project without homeowner concerns. I have enclosed the speed study done by the City at Garner Road/Hamilton drive...by way of Freedom Of Information (FOI-ACT) so I see the conspiracy in its entirety is very clear. Speeds of been recorded at over 130km/h and an avg speed is just about 80km/h. There is no road design that can mitigate the speed here on Garner Rd. Speed Cameras were the answer, however we know how that played out EA NOISE/VIBRATIONS • The EA noise study is based on 60km an hour, which is a false study based on actual of say 80km. I am not sure of any study specific way points that were sound engineered reviewed but will need to have those repots by way point for study with my team • Acoustic effluent Travel- 1) Traffic noise is now categorized as acoustic effluent or this is how I categorize it, traffic noise pollution. Now based on study way points, we need to also identify the effluent travel patterns, and when we see this 50/55 dba. Acoustic effluent has a tendency to travel upwards, and not in a strait line horizontal direction. As myself and my family are in a elevated position the travel of this effluent has a more detrimental impact to our HEALTH and WELL BEING and QUALITY OF LIFE. Further consultation with myself will be required. All possible noise mitigation options will need to be explored. 2) Construction vibration- we build this house at builder code foundation at the time. We sit 3 stories high on a very , large home. The foundation is not meant to have additional external stresses applied to it that will be brought upon by heavy equipment in proximity to it. The large, large windows barley survived their shaking during the water main implementation. Further discussion with me, and likely an engineering study may need to be conduction. • As Per 3.2.4 Demographic Equity Considerations: We will need to have further conversations • Road safety: 1)A traffic lite/round about will need to be considered at the corner of Hamilton Dr and Garner road. I have seem accidents here recently and many near misses, as well as there is future development on Hamilton Dr to happen.2) A Centre Median Island should also be implemented/Considered at this intersection. The accident study report you have is very dated. • Expropriation: For sure our property will be impacted and this will need to be a deep review/conversations as this widening will have perhaps life impacting implications to us, and we will explore all legal avenues here. We are open to moving. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]	Email sent to Megan to reply back
2026-01-07	11:28	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Olivia Stanciu	I have filed a FOI request for any and all date regarding the noise/traffic/acoustic effluent study regarding the EAS regarding Garner Road 403 to Wilson. It seems that the taxer payer paid, project managers, feel that it is unnecessary to communicate with, and supply residents the information they need. Now, as this is the second time I have had to request information from the City under FOI is it that the City now operates as a clandestine organization??? Its unacceptable. As it is noted that his EAS is open for discussion up to Jan 10/2026 (posted on web site) I formally request that communication and feedback remain open until all information can be properly reviewed. Further, I hereby request upon review of the report and deficiencies found (and there will be) that a 3rd party, proper arms length, sound/acoustic effluent/ noise study be conducted by a proper provincial ministry organization. I will send a list. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]	Hi [redacted] We acknowledge your filing of an FOI request. In terms of the currently open review period, you are correct that the formal commenting period closes on January 10th. However, all information will still be available after that date and staff will still be able to answer questions and/or provide additional information. Some additional work is also still scheduled to take place during the detailed design stage of the project. As Olivia noted, a noise study was completed as part of the project, in accordance with provincial standards. The noise report can be viewed as “Appendix B: Noise Impact Assessment” at the following link: www.hamilton.ca/GarnerEA. Thanks, Megan

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2026-01-07	10:08	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Olivia Stanciu	Good morning: I just received the letter re the EA assessment for the proposed 4 lane Garner Rd W expansion. I tried to access the EA doc online but it is unavailable - I tried multiple times with the anddress ans shown and did a website search. Hoping that this can be provided to my husband and I for review. We live at [redacted] and the expansion will affect our property access and ability to safely make left hand turns out of our driveway (it's already an annoying problem at busy road times). We do however like the inclusion of a multiuse path and it should go without saying that such a busy road with some many residences and kids needs full and proper sidewalks - not just the raised hard shoulder that LIV put in. The road also should be policed for speeding - the number of dangerous drivers speeding and overtaking just on our section is ridiculous. On a side not re LIV, were they not supposed to put in a walking path that meets up with the raised boardwalk that runs through the conservation area at the back of the town homes a few doors up? I seem to recall that was part of the plan and a rough path was marked out but nothing has happened since and the path is overgrown. It would be really nice to see this completed - although I suspect some of the homeowners from the subdivision that backs on to the conservation area never want a path there as some seem to have have expropriated conservation authority land and cleared trees, installed a skating rink and sod etc… Looking forward to reading the EA, [redacted]	Good morning [redacted] Thank you for reaching out! Please use this link to access the project's website: www.hamilton.ca/garnerea Regarding the walking path, it was not included in this project, so I'm afraid I don't have any information available. Thank you! Kind regards, Olivia Stanciu
2026-01-08	17:57	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Megan Salvucci	Great thank-you. A point of interest from the ariel footage it looks like our house was not built yet. Therefore then from what I can discern for various noise for OLA/Facade I see R11, but I do not think that is our house, its hard to discern. Residential, Commercial & Alternative Lending [redacted]	
2026-01-27	4:23	Email	Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism (MCM)	Jackson.Kaufman@ontario.ca	Olivia Stanciu	MCM reviewed the finalized Environmental Study Report and advised that most previous cultural heritage comments were addressed; however, MCM requested clearer commitments and revisions related to archaeological resources, including confirmation that a Stage 2 archaeological assessment (and any further required stages) will be completed prior to ground-disturbing activities, and that archaeological potential mapping be clearly reflected in the ESR.	The ESR update includes minor revisions to address MCM comments including Table 12 and Section 8.5.1 to tighten the wording around the requirement of Stage 2 archaeological assessment during the detailed design phase.
2026-01-28	12:38	Email	[redacted]	[redacted]	Olivia Stanciu	Good Afternoon: Thank you for sending this link however it will not open. I'm not sure why I'm having such problems but of someone could please send me a pdf copy - the electronic version from the city website is unstable and keeps closing when I try to view the preliminary plans. My neighbour popped over the other night and was concerned re not being able to see what was proposed for in front of our homes. He also raised the issue of timelines and expropriation. Can you please advise what we can expect? Obviously this change will have a major impact on our lives just from the construction alone and we would like to be prepared. If you are not the correct person for contact with ongoing questions and concerns, can you please advise who I should be connecting with. FYI, I've copied my husband on this email just to keep him in the loop. Regards, [redacted]	Good afternoon, Please use this link to access the study files: https://www.hamilton.ca/environmental-assessments/garner-road-wilson-st-hwy-403-ramp Unfortunately, the files are too large to be able to be attached to the email. If you still have issues accessing the plans, please let me know, and provide me with your address and I can send you just your area to see the proposed design. Please note that this is 30% design, changes might still happen during the detailed design phase (next phase of the project). Thank you! Kind regards, Olivia Stanciu