

## Main Street Renewal

#### Construction Newsletter No. 16

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Welcome to the first edition of the Main Street Renewal Construction Newsletter for 2016! Regardless of the winter weather, construction activities continue on Main Street. As planned, Hydro Ottawa began the hydro pole relocation work in January and will complete their work by mid-March. The cables remaining on the old poles are telecommunication cables (Rogers, Bell Canada and Fibre Noire). These cables will be transferred to the new poles in the following weeks. Once the poles are bare, Hydro Ottawa will return to remove the old poles.

On March 7, weather dependent, Enbridge will begin the installation of a larger gas main from Lees Avenue to Hazel Street and the Contractor, Karson Konstruction, will return to start construction at the south end of the project on Rideau River Drive. The winter season is coming to an end and construction season is back in full-swing!

## **O**n-Going

Here's a block-by-block breakdown of the work currently underway:

- Harvey Street to Clegg Street: Hydro pole relocation work and Hydro conduit repairs.
- Clegg Street to the Rideau River:
  Tree removal, tree pruning and camera inspection of the sewers.





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## **Upcoming**

Here are key **new** upcoming construction activities planned for the next two weeks:

- Lees Avenue to Hazel Street: Enbridge will commence the installation of a new larger gas main on the west side of Main Street.
- Rideau River Drive: Sanitary sewer installation will begin.

#### **Traffic**

#### **Main Street**

The northbound lane closure from Clegg Street to Lees Avenue will remain in effect until September 2016.

Beginning in May, the Main Street northbound lane from Riverdale Avenue to Clegg Street will also be closed to traffic until November 2016 (exact dates to be provided in April).

Northbound traffic will continue to be detoured via Riverside Drive, Bank Street and Isabella Street. As a result of the northbound lane closure, OC Transpo buses will be detoured from Main Street. When it will not be possible to have northbound traffic north of Riverdale Avenue, the OC Transpo routes #5 and #16 serving the Old Ottawa East Community will run from Main Street to Elliot Avenue to Marlowe Crescent to Clegg Street and back to Main Street. Until the Main Street northbound lane north of Clegg Street is open to traffic, the OC Transpo routes #5 and #16 serving the Old Ottawa East Community will continue to run from Main Street to Clegg Street to Colonel By Drive to Hawthorne (back on the regular route #5) and back to Main Street (for route #16).

#### **Colonel By Drive**

The St. Patrick's Day Run will take place on Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup>. For this event, **Colonel By Drive will be closed to traffic from Hog's Back Road to Hawthorne Avenue from 7:30 a.m. to**11 a.m.

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### Did you know?

As part of the Main Street Renewal project, several trees had to be removed to make space for the cycle tracks and wider sidewalks. Approximately 66% of the trees removed were in poor or declining health. The City takes the removal of trees very seriously. The trees to remain are protected with snow fence during construction. As part of the Main Street Renewal project, approximately 232 trees will be planted along the corridor (including 52 on private properties). The new trees are primarily native trees all hardy in streetscape conditions and diverse in species.



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