

City of Dundas
Public Works Staff Meeting / City Engineer Update 2/5/25
February 6, 2025
Agenda

The City Administrator, Public Works Director, and City Engineer meet at least monthly to plan and review projects and tasks, and to discuss public works matters of all types. The agenda used for the most recent Public Works staff meeting forms the basis for the updates that are provided to the City Council. Following is the most recent Public Works staff meeting agenda with notes added.

1. 2024 Street Lighting
 - Staff removed the area of sidewalk required for the Contractor to complete the work on the lights. The remaining concrete sidewalk will be removed next spring.
2. Comprehensive Transportation Planning
 - Staff prepared a preliminary road design and estimate of project costs for street improvements for a portion of 115th Street between CSAH 20 and CSAH 22. Staff have begun internal discussions on the future alignment between Highland Parkway and Cannon City Boulevard.
 - 12-9-24 Corridor Study was finalized and is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Transportation Plan.
3. CSAH 1/TH 3 Pedestrian Crossing
 - The scope of work includes installing a trail along CSAH 1, connecting to the existing sidewalks on Schilling Drive, Cannon Road, and North Stafford Road. A trail connection would also be made to the existing trail along TH 3. Pedestrian crossing improvements would be made to the intersection of TH 3 and CSAH 1. Ditch grading and storm sewer improvements would be made to accommodate the trails.
 - Funding in the amount of \$370,000 has been allocated to the project in the State's 2023 Capital Budget under Grants to Political Subdivisions.
 - Staff have revised the scope of work to include the concrete walk along Schilling Drive and from the Dundas Dome to the City limits on Cannon Road.
 - 4-22-24 Council approved staff to begin work on the project.
 - The agreement has been executed with the State to secure funding for the design of the project. WSB has started design and preparation of construction plans.
 - The proposed schedule is to have complete plans and specifications, including MnDOT review, completed in March 2025. Construction would be completed in 2025.
 - The 60% construction plans are under review by staff.
4. Northfield Wastewater Treatment
 - Northfield received written approval from the PCA for the permit amendment. The City of Northfield will approve future sanitary sewer extension permits, and the surcharge will be discontinued while the City's flows remain within the revised limits.

5. Public Works Tasks

- The storm water code and fees are under review, including sump pump connection requirements.

6. 2025 Pond Maintenance

- The work in the pond south of County Road 1, within Schilling Park, will be completed in 2025 to allow time for the dog park to be moved and the existing fence to be removed. The project will include the pond slope grading in the Menard Pond south of Hester.
- Staff have received the executed maintenance easement agreement for the Menards pond south of Hester Street. Staff plans to perform the pond maintenance in the Menards pond in 2026 as part of a separate project.
- The Contractor has cleared the trees from the pond areas and started excavations in the pond area. The pond excavations are anticipated to take two-weeks to complete.
- ***Contractor plans to come back and respread topsoil/complete restoration this spring once weather allows.***

7. Public Works Cold Storage

- The preliminary site plan and building details were presented to Council on 2-27-23.
- Estimated project costs and available funding were reviewed by the Public Works Committee on 10-4-23.
- 10-18-23 Staff met to review and discuss the project scope to work towards finalizing building details.

8. Sanitary Sewer and Water Comprehensive Plan

- Staff are reviewing the draft comprehensive plans.

9. 2025 Schilling Drive Sanitary Sewer Repairs

- 10-9-23 Council authorized staff to proceed with project.
- The scope of work includes a sanitary sewer connection between two manholes at the intersection of Hester Street and Schilling Drive. The project will redirect sanitary sewer flows from the north and east to bypass the sanitary sewer line on Schilling Drive that has settlement issues. WSB has started design and production of construction plans.
- ***Soil borings have been completed.***
- ***Staff met with Menards to discuss the project scope and timelines. Menards indicated they would like the work to start in August to avoid their peak times for customers.***

10. Mill Towns State Trail

- The DNR is targeting 2025 to construct the trail from the pedestrian bridge in Mill Park to 118th Street, terminating at the railroad tracks.
- The DNR sent final plans to the City for review. Tree removals area scheduled to begin in March and construction will start once weather allows.

11. Dundas Boulevard Watermain Improvements

- The scope of work includes installing a new watermain down Dundas Boulevard from Millstone Lane to Hester Street.
- 10-14-24 Council authorized staff to begin work on plans and specifications.
- WSB has started design and production of construction plans.
- The draft construction plans have been completed and reviewed by staff. Staff are working to finalize the quote package for the project. ***Soil borings have been completed.***