

Hall Road Newsletter

Welcome to the Hall Road Newsletter,

Summary Report on Issues from HRNA Regular Meeting

June 5, 2024

Poll: At the May 2023 neighbourhood meeting, residents were invited to write down concerns, ideas, or thoughts about the neighbourhood on post-it-notes. These were reviewed and distilled down to 11 broad topics: Parking and traffic, sewer, crime, fire safety, events, local business, community development (area structure plan), networking with City and other neighbourhoods, wildlife conservation, social clubs, and history. A website poll will go live soon to learn what the priorities are for the neighbourhood. As a group, we must represent what the neighbourhood is seeking. The poll results will inform the board on what issues need priority. Results from the poll will be discussed at the next meeting. The poll can be found at hallroad.ca/polls.

Traffic: At the 2024 AGM, the board heard that traffic appears to be the biggest concern for attendees. The solution here is complex and opinions are mixed about the best path forward. The City has suspended a subsequent review of traffic-mitigation measures in the hood for the next five years following residents turning down the City's suggestions. The first action item to address this is to reach out to the City to see how to reinvigorate and restart this conversation.

Fire Smart: The City held a FireSmart workshop Wednesday, June 12th 2024. The HRNA will look at how to roll out these programs into the neighbourhood.

Kelowna Affiliation Agreement: The City rolled out a new program in 2024 to support neighbourhoods in Kelowna. The HRNA opted not to participate in the program's first intake due to concerns about the City's requirements for maintaining membership. We will revisit this program once we collect feedback from other Neighbourhood Associations.

KLO bridge upgrade: The bridge over Mission Creek is nearing its end of useful life and so the City is planning on replacing it with a new bridge, parking lot, roundabout, and pedestrian underpass. The City has provided a rough schedule for the start of work. Construction of the bridge and roundabout is tentatively scheduled for 2025 with early works commencing in 2024. The plan does not include the realignment of the roundabout with Hall Road at KLO.

Next meeting date - July 10.

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