

March 26, 2021

Columbia Avenue Redevelopment Project – Phase 2

Weekly Update

Construction activities progressed well over the past week. Starting March 29, the community can expect to see:

- Crews out during regular hours (6:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.) with minimal evening work;
- Patching of pavement over utility trenches from 18th – 21st Street;
- Storm main installation and tie-in near 18th Street;
- Water main tie-ins to existing City infrastructure and testing (from 21st Street to the Highway 3 ramp across from the Chevron);
- Water main installation from 21st Street headed south; and
- Final stages of tree removal in areas where new sidewalks and landscaped boulevards will be.

Traffic

Traffic patterns have changed and minor delays should be expected along Columbia Avenue. The busiest times for traffic tend to be from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m and 3 to 4:30 p.m so please give yourself more time if travelling during these periods. Traffic controllers are working very hard to keep traffic flowing, reduce congestion, and ensure all roads remain open. If an area you need to get to appears to be closed, please talk to the nearest flagger and they will help you get through.

Sidewalks will be closed along the east side of Columbia Avenue from 21st to 18th Street for safety reasons. The contractor has installed signage to provide better directions for pedestrians and bikers.

BC Transit stops at the Sandman Hotel and Canadian Tire will remain out of service. Passengers can board the bus at the Castlegar & District Recreation Complex on 6th Avenue.

Did you know?

- Phase 2 will install 1.5 km of new water and 1.6 km of new storm mains, replacing infrastructure from 1960s which are in poor condition and are too small.

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