

BYLAW 20268

To close portions of Ellerslie Road, Windermere

Purpose

To close portions of Ellerslie Road from 170 Street SW to 173 Street SW and from 173 Street SW to Wright Drive SW to allow for a utility right-of-way and park space.

Readings

Bylaw 20268 is ready for three readings after the public hearing has been held. If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, Council must unanimously agree “That Bylaw 20268 be considered for third reading.”

Advertising and Signing

This Bylaw was advertised in the Edmonton Journal on August 26, 2022 and September 3, 2022. The Bylaw can be passed following third reading.

Position of Administration

Administration supports this proposed Bylaw.

Report

This application proposes to close portions of Ellerslie Road from 170 Street SW to 173 Street SW and from 173 Street SW to Wright Drive SW in the Windermere neighbourhood. Area "C" will be closed to allow for a utility right-of-way. Area "D" will be closed and converted to a park space. With closure of the road, access to the impacted Keswick/Windermere areas will continue to be available through Washburn Drive SW, Hiller Road SW, 173 Street SW and 175 Street SW (Wright Drive SW). Additional accesses to the broader Keswick/Windermere areas are available from 170 Street, 28 Avenue and Windermere Boulevard. Pedestrian connections between the existing shared-use path south of Ellerslie Road and the residential areas to the north will be constructed with the road closure.

The proposed closure meets the technical requirements of civic departments and utility agencies. The application conforms with associated plan amendments to the Windermere Neighbourhood Structure Plan and Windermere Area Structure Plan (Bylaws 20269 and 20270).

Bylaw 20268 will be dealt together with Bylaw 20267 as they relate to portions of the same road closure area.

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Community Insights

Advance Notice was sent to surrounding property owners and the president of the Greater Windermere Community League on January 12, 2022. Two comments were received at the time of writing this report. First, a resident expressed concerns with losing emergency access to the neighbourhood due in part to this road closure. In response, Transportation informed them that upon the closure of Ellerslie Road, alternative access to the impacted Keswick/Windermere areas will continue to be available via the existing road network as mentioned above.

The second citizen sought information on the council date and how they may 'help the application move forward'. They were informed about the council date and opportunities to be involved with the public hearing process.

Attachments

1. Bylaw 20268
2. Aerial Map (Attached to Bylaw 20267 - Item 3.16)
3. Windermere NSP Context Map (Attached to Bylaw 20267 - Item 3.16)