November 27, 2018

TO:  BUSINESSSES AND RESIDENTS

Dear Sir/Madam:

Project No:  W160034, City File No. 17-C-01
Regarding:  City of Winnipeg – Empress Street Project, Pavement Reconstruction, Portage Avenue to St. Matthews Avenue, Empress Overpass Rehabilitation and Associated Works

As indicated in previous notices, the above streets have been approved for construction as part of the 2019 Regional Street Reconstruction/Rehabilitation Program of the City of Winnipeg’s Public Works Department. Roadworks on Empress Street, Westway, and Eastway which were part of phase 1 were completed during the 2018 construction season. The Contractor, Gateway Construction & Engineering Ltd., is scheduled to start construction early December and work will be ongoing throughout 2019 with landscaping to be completed in 2020. Gateway Construction and Engineering Ltd. emergency phone number is 204-233-8550.

This phase is part two of the **Empress Street and Overpass Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Project** (see page 2 for project construction staging and limits). The work beginning on Empress Overpass will consist of work on the north Pedestrian Ramp connecting to Portage Avenue starting in December 2018. Clearing and grubbing (tree removal) will also be done to facilitate future roadworks and riverbank stabilization where required along Omand’s Creek and the Assiniboine River. Stabilization work along Omand’s Creek west bank is scheduled to begin in January 2019 to facilitate the road widening and bike lanes to be constructed along Empress Street in 2019. Major roadworks and bridgework will begin in the spring of 2019 and be completed by the fall of 2019.

Further information on the project can be found on the City’s Major Project website ([www.winnipeg.ca/empress](http://www.winnipeg.ca/empress)).

During construction, the street will be open to traffic (reduced lanes) and parking will be prohibited. Pedestrian access and transit service will be maintained throughout the construction period, as well as access to local businesses.

We recognize the fact that this project will cause you some inconvenience and disruption during its course and apologize for this. Should you have any questions concerning the project or accessibility needs at this time or during construction, please contact the undersigned at 204-977-8370. Your patience during construction will be much appreciated.

Yours truly,

Morrison Hershfield Limited

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