



# CHIEF PEGUIS TRAIL EXTENSION WEST

## PHASE 1 - PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

August 2017

### Background

WSP (formerly MMM Group Limited during the initial phase of the study) was retained by the City of Winnipeg to undertake a Preliminary Design Study for the Chief Peguis Trail (CPT) Extension West from Main Street to Brookside Boulevard.

The CPT Extension West will be approximately 10 kilometres in length and will support economic development, create recreational opportunities, and support the completion of the Strategic Inner Ring Road to reduce traffic on neighborhood streets to make them more accommodating for public transit, walking and cycling.

### Engagement

In conjunction with the City of Winnipeg, a Public Engagement Plan (PEP) was developed to guide the public engagement process for the CPT Extension West Preliminary Design Study. The PEP outlined the public engagement objectives and the methodology for engaging with landowners, stakeholders, and members of the general public. These groups were engaged both in-person and online in order to introduce the study and collect feedback early in the process.

The goal of the project's public engagement is to provide study information to the public and collect feedback throughout the study in order to:

- Inform the community of the intended plans;
- Help plan pedestrian and cycling infrastructure and amenities;
- Help identify connections to community destinations;
- Ensure the project complements adjacent development;
- Address the requirements of the Environmental License; and
- Meet with affected landowners and identify property requirements.

Public engagement for the CPT Extension West Preliminary Design Study includes two phases. The intent of Phase One, which occurred from February 2017 to June 2017, was to present study and background information, learn about local knowledge on issues and opportunities, and seek comments on the draft design. Phase One included four stakeholder meetings, three landowner meetings, a public information session, and an online comment form.

Phase Two of public engagement will commence in the Fall of 2017, and its intent is to present the final recommended design and seek input from the public and stakeholders. Public engagement in Phase Two will include stakeholder meetings,

landowner meetings, a public information session, and online comment form.

### Promotion, for Phase 1 of Public Engagement

- Public Engagement E-Newsletter sent on May 25, 2017 by the City of Winnipeg.
- Direct mail advertisement sent to 17,905 mailboxes in the study area via Canada Post during the week of May 22, 2017.
- Hand delivered mail advertisement distributed to 25 mailboxes in the study area on May 24, 2017.
- Project advertisements placed in the Metro News on May 23, the Filipino Journal on May 24, Canstar's The North End Times and The Herald both on May 24, the Winnipeg Free Press on May 27, and The Winnipeg Sun on May 28.
- News release sent out on May 25, 2017 by the City of Winnipeg.
- Emails and phone calls to stakeholders made prior to the stakeholder meetings during the first and second weeks of May 2017, and prior to the Public Information Display Session during the last week of May 2017.
- Project updates through the City of Winnipeg's project webpage, Facebook and Twitter account.
- The project also received promotion through local media coverage including television and print.

### What We Heard – Phase 1 Feedback

A sample of the most common feedback/comments received during Phase 1 of Public Engagement is as follows:

- Stakeholders were pleased to see that the plan for the CPT Extension West study includes active transportation facility considerations on its north and south sides.
- Stakeholders noted that they hope active transportation infrastructure considerations will be continued throughout the study.
- That the number of at-grade signalized intersections should be limited to increase the efficiency of traffic flow.
- That natural greenspaces should be maintained along the corridor and should include trees and native prairie grasses.
- That wildlife management should be an ongoing part of the assessment to ensure the study has minimal impact on the environment.
- That sound and visual barriers should be developed along the corridor to mitigate visual and/or noise impacts.

- That the CPT Extension West will provide a more direct route with reduced travel time for east-west travel, and add an alternative route for drivers which may reduce traffic on neighboring streets such as Templeton Avenue, Leila Avenue, McPhillips Street, and Murray Avenue.
- That some stakeholders and the public are concerned about the impacts the study will have on land drainage.

### Phase 1 Engagement Activities

Date(s)	Technique	Description
February 10, 2017	Development Industry Stakeholder Meeting #1 & #2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two development industry stakeholder meetings were held on February 10, 2017; area developers and consultants were invited to attend these meetings.</li> <li>The purpose of the meetings was to ensure that the development industry was made aware of the CPT Extension West study, its potential impacts, and potential opportunities for coordinating planning processes.</li> <li>Nine (9) development industry representatives attended Meeting #1, and 4 attended Meeting #2. The meeting was held at WSP, 111-93 Lombard Avenue, Winnipeg.</li> <li>The meeting discussions included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Representatives expressing an interest to review more detailed information to understand the land use implications associated with the CTP Extension West study.</li> <li>How the CTP Extension West study impacts the Precinct G Precinct Plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
May 15, 2017	'Commercial' Landowner Stakeholder Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A meeting was facilitated for commercial landowners whose property will be impacted by the study.</li> <li>Twenty (20) landowners were invited via registered mail and ten (10) individuals attended representing eight (8) properties. The meeting was held at West Kildonan Collegiate, 101 Ridgecrest Avenue, Winnipeg.</li> <li>The intent of the meeting was to provide commercial landowners with an opportunity to receive information and ask questions about the study's impacts on their property.</li> <li>Commercial landowners were concerned about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The levels of traffic the extension will attract once the project is complete; and</li> <li>That they can maintain their current property accesses from Main Street and off of the proposed Ferrier Street alignment.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
May 16, 2017	'Residential' Landowner Stakeholder Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A meeting was facilitated for residential landowners whose property will be impacted by the study.</li> <li>Twelve (12) landowners were invited via registered mail and thirteen (13) individuals attended representing six (6) properties. The meeting was held at West Kildonan Collegiate, 101 Ridgecrest Avenue, Winnipeg.</li> <li>The intent of the meeting was to provide residential landowners with an opportunity to receive information and ask questions about the study's impacts on their property.</li> <li>Residential landowners were concerned about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The timing of the project; and</li> <li>If and when the City of Winnipeg will be purchasing the land required for the project.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
May 17, 2017	'Vacant Land' Landowner Stakeholder Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A meeting was facilitated for the 'vacant land' landowners whose property will be impacted by the study.</li> <li>Twenty-four (24) landowners were invited via registered mail and twelve (12) individuals attended representing seven (7) properties. The meeting was held at West Kildonan Collegiate, 101 Ridgecrest Avenue, Winnipeg.</li> <li>The intent of the meeting was to provide the 'vacant land' landowners with an opportunity to receive information and ask questions about the study's impacts on their property.</li> <li>The 'vacant land' landowners were concerned about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whether the project will impact the Player's Golf Course and Little Mountain Park;</li> <li>The timing of construction and overall cost of the project; and</li> <li>The number of people who will be impacted by the project.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
June 1, 2017	Community Group Stakeholder Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Invited community stakeholders included individuals representing community groups and/or local businesses who may have an interest in the study area.</li> <li>Invited individuals represented active transportation groups, parks, cemeteries, local business, and property managers of buildings adjacent to the study area.</li> <li>Forty-two (42) people were invited to attend the meeting via email and regular mail; a total of twelve (12) individuals attended the meeting representing ten (10) stakeholder groups.</li> <li>The meetings provided the opportunity for stakeholders to learn about the project, ask questions of the project team, and express any issues and concerns they had about the project.</li> </ul>
June 2, 2017	Development Industry Stakeholder Meeting #3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Area developers and consultants were invited to this meeting.</li> <li>The purpose of this meeting was to provide project updates from the February Development Interest Stakeholder Meetings.</li> <li>Ten (10) development industry representatives attended this meeting.</li> </ul>
June 6, 2017	Public Information Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Public Information Session was held on June 6, 2017, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Red River Community Centre, 293 Murray Avenue, Winnipeg.</li> <li>The session provided an opportunity for the public to view the design, speak with the project team, and provide comments on the design.</li> <li>Presentation boards were displayed around the venue, presenting text and graphics of the study's background, objectives and goals, the study area map, timeline, and the design.</li> <li>A total of 244 individuals signed in at the session.</li> <li>Comment forms were provided to attendees to obtain any additional feedback, and 113 comment form submissions were collected.</li> </ul>
May 25 – June 20, 2017	Online Comment Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Public Information Session materials and comment sheet were available on the study's webpage from May 25 to June 20, 2017.</li> <li>Those who were unable to attend the Public Information Session had the opportunity to review the project materials and provide feedback online.</li> <li>112 individuals submitted comment forms online.</li> </ul>



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### Next Steps

The feedback provided by landowners, stakeholders, and the public throughout Phase One of public engagement provides valuable insight for the CPT Extension West study. The input received will be considered in the preparation of the preliminary design and will also be considered when finalizing public engagement activities and materials for Phase Two of public engagement.

Based on the comments received, Phase Two of public engagement should provide the public with additional detailed information on:

- Transit;
- Public art locations;
- Public amenities and landscaping;
- Environmental act assessment;
- Sound attenuation;
- Construction staging; and
- Project delivery, including estimated construction timelines, cost and phasing (if applicable).

To support a transparent process, this report will be directly shared with stakeholders who participated throughout the project and will be posted on the project website.

### To see full report please go to:

[http://www.winnipeg.ca/PublicWorks/construction/pdf/chiefPeguisWest/CPT\\_Extension\\_West\\_PE\\_Report\\_Phase\\_One\\_2017-08-14.pdf](http://www.winnipeg.ca/PublicWorks/construction/pdf/chiefPeguisWest/CPT_Extension_West_PE_Report_Phase_One_2017-08-14.pdf)