

# Eastwood Neighbourhood Renewal Local Improvement

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## Local Improvement - Decorative Street Lighting

The Neighbourhood Renewal Program has been paid for through City-wide property taxes by creating a reserve fund dedicated to the program. In conjunction with the program, the City offered cost-sharing opportunities between the City and property owners of Eastwood for two local improvement options—decorative street light upgrades and sidewalk reconstruction. Local improvements and the cost-sharing opportunities offered by the City were part of the Neighbourhood Renewal discussion with you and your neighbours.

At a minimum, standard street lights will be replaced as part of the Neighbourhood Renewal process. However, property owners in Eastwood had the opportunity to upgrade to their community's choice of decorative street lights through a community-initiated Local Improvement process.

### Eastwood Decorative Street Lighting Local Improvement Process: July-November

1. The Eastwood community submitted their choice of decorative lighting (black colour, fluted pole, heritage arm and renaissance light fixture) to the City for consideration by July 2, 2019.
2. In September 2019, the City sent an Expression of Interest (EOI) package containing estimated costs, asking registered property owners to indicate whether or not they supported the local improvement and to return the EOI to the City by November 15, 2019. The Expression of Interest package included a form with a "yes" or "no" indication for responses.

More than 50% +1 of the received responses were not in support ("no"), so the decorative street light Local Improvement process has concluded.

### Upgrades to the street light system in Eastwood will include:



- + New 24 foot galvanized poles
- + New underground wiring
- + New foundation
- + Energy-efficient LED lights

In neighbourhoods with mature trees, the height of the poles are shortened by 4 feet to reduce obstruction from the tree canopy. This allows the street lights to better light the roads and sidewalks.