



Elmwood Park Neighbourhood Renewal Local Improvement

February 2020

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 Elmwood Park 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 Elmwood Park had the opportunity to upgrade to their community's choice of decorative street lights through a community-initiated Local Improvement process.

Elmwood Park Decorative Street Lighting Local Improvement Process: July-February

1. The Elmwood Park community submitted their choice of decorative lighting (dark green colour, octagonal pole, heritage arm and regular light fixture, *see photos on side 2*) 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 in support (“yes”), so the decorative street light Local Improvement process has begun.

3. **We are here!** On January 20, 2020, the City sent out Local Improvement Tax Notices to property owners, who now have **30 days** to petition against the local improvement if they so choose. If the petition against the local improvement garners signatures of at least 50% +1 of all registered property owners in the neighbourhood, the local improvement is defeated and standard galvanized street lights will be installed. If the petition against the local improvement is unsuccessful, City Council will pass a Local Improvement Bylaw, and the decorative street light upgrade will proceed.

Property owners will have until February 19, 2020 to submit their petition against the decorative street light local improvement.

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Decorative Street Lighting choice selected in Elmwood Park:



Regular



Colour: Dark green
Pole type: Octagonal
Arm type: Heritage
Light fixture: Regular