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Dear Mayor & Council,

This memo provides an update to the Mayor and Council regarding the upcoming Nanaimo East of Kamloops Sewer Upgrades Project (NEKSU), outlining the construction schedule, project scope, and communication plan.

- The NEKSU project is scheduled to begin construction in December 2025 with on-site exploratory work, followed by sewer trenching in January 2026. The project is expected to be completed by November 2026.
- The project will replace 650 m of existing combined sewer pipes with separated pipes for rainwater and sewage, supporting the City's goal to eliminate combined sewer overflows by 2050, while also preparing for future population growth and increased rainfall.
- Work will occur weekdays between 7 AM and 7 PM, with limited 24/7 road closures and maintained vehicle access for residents through back lanes. Residents/businesses will receive notification letters, and updates will be shared through signage, media advisories, and the project webpage, supported by a dedicated Community Liaison Officer.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lon LaClaire at 604-873-7336 or Lon.LaClaire@Vancouver.ca.

Thanks,
Donny

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MEMORANDUM

November 18, 2025

TO: Mayor and Council

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SUBJECT: Nanaimo East of Kamloops Sewer Upgrades Project – Construction

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This memo provides an update to Mayor and Council on the Nanaimo East of Kamloops Sewer Upgrades Project (NEKSU). Construction is scheduled to commence in December 2025 with initial exploratory work, followed by sewer trenching beginning in January 2026. The project was tendered in July 2025, and the contract was awarded to BD Hall Constructors Corp. (BD Hall). All work is expected to be completed by November 2026. For reference, a map of the project area is included in Appendix A.

Background

The NEKSU project is in the Nanaimo East sewer sub-catchment area within the Hastings-Sunrise neighborhood, a major drainage area in the city's North-East. Sewer infrastructure in this area has been identified as requiring renewal, prompting the development of a phased upgrade program. To streamline design and construction, the program has been divided into smaller, manageable segments. The City has already completed three phases of the sewer upgrades in the Hastings Sunrise neighbourhoods and the NEKSU project represents the next phase in this ongoing renewal effort.

About 650 meters of existing combined sewer system will be replaced with a separated and larger-capacity sewer system, with one pipe for rainwater runoff and another pipe for sewage. This will contribute to the City's goal of eliminating combined sewer overflows by 2050, while also enhancing capacity to accommodate future population growth, manage the increased rainfall anticipated with climate change, and protect water quality.

Schedule

The contractor is scheduled to begin on-site exploratory and construction activities in December 2025. The project timeline is as follows:

- **Q1 2026 – Q4 2026:** Daytime sewer construction which will take place between 7 AM and 7 PM, Monday to Friday.
- **Q4 2026:** Daytime final paving and restoration works, which will generally take place between 7 AM and 5 PM, Monday to Friday.

All planned work is scheduled to occur in accordance with permitted hours under the City of Vancouver Noise Control By-law No. 6555.

Traffic Management

Local streets directly impacted by active construction will be closed 24/7, with no more than two road locations closed at any one time. During these closures, resident access will be maintained at all times, and vehicle access will be available via the back lanes. The road closures will remain in place around the clock to secure the work zone and ensure the safety of all road users.

To keep the public informed, the City will provide advance notice and ongoing updates through on-site signage and message boards and traffic advisory posts on social media.

Public Communications

Consistent with the City's protocol for major construction projects, residents and businesses will be notified of this work via a notification letter. This is supported by a comprehensive communications plan, which includes on-site driver and pedestrian signage, regular traffic advisories, and updates through the project webpage.

The project has an assigned Community Liaison Officer to support inquiries from residents and businesses.

If you have any questions or would like more information on this project, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.



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APPENDIX A -

Project Details - Nanaimo East of Kamloops Sewer Upgrades (NEKSU)

