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June 7, 2021

Dear Resident and/or Business Owner:

RE: Railway crossing safety upgrades on Raymur Avenue

The City of Vancouver works with rail authorities and railway companies to address safety concerns at crossings throughout the city. We will be making modifications to the Raymur Avenue rail crossing in Strathcona which are required to meet Transport Canada's new 'Grade Rail Crossing Standards' by fall 2021. The City must comply with these requirements by November 28, 2021. In addition, these changes will address some of the feedback we have heard from neighbouring residents about liveability due to the noise and lights from the existing rail crossing bell warning systems, which will be removed at the Raymur Avenue crossing as part of the work.

Proposed Changes

As shown on the map on the next page, staff are seeking feedback on the proposed rail crossing safety modifications:

- **Raymur Avenue north of Hastings Street**: To address limited sightlines due to the angle of the crossing and noise concerns from Strathcona Village, staff are recommending closing this crossing for people driving, walking, cycling, and rolling to meet federal standards. This closure would be implemented using concrete barriers and implemented in summer/fall 2021.
- E. Cordova Street crossing: The current railway crossing and warning systems meet Transport Canada's new Grade Crossing Standards, so no changes are currently being proposed to this crossing at this time, but closure to motor vehicles (but likely not people walking and cycling) may be considered in the future.

Share your feedback

Please review additional project details and the proposed design in the attached information sheet or on **vancouver.ca/rail-safety**. If you have any questions or feedback about the changes, please provide input by June 30, 2021, by:

Emailing <u>railsafety@vancouver.ca</u>

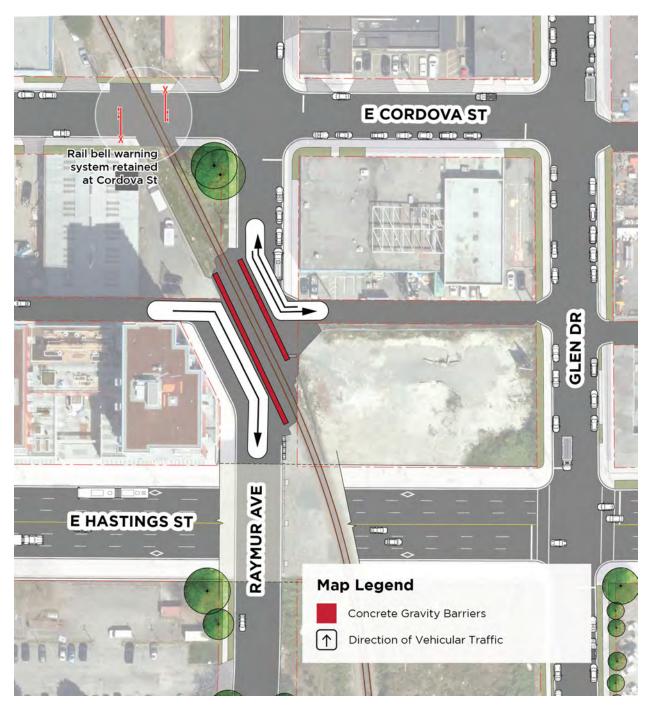


- Submitting a hard copy of the comments to **RayCam Community Centre** (920 E Hastings) on weekdays between 10 am and 4 pm.

For businesses:

We want to better understand how local businesses use Raymur Avenue. If you are a business owner or representative and would like to meet with staff to discuss how the proposed design affects your business or property, please email our team and we will follow up to address your feedback or coordinate a virtual meeting.

Sincerely, Engineering Services, City of Vancouver



Map: Rail Crossing Changes on Raymur Avenue

Railway Crossing Safety Upgrades

Raymur Avenue Closure @ Burrard Inlet Line

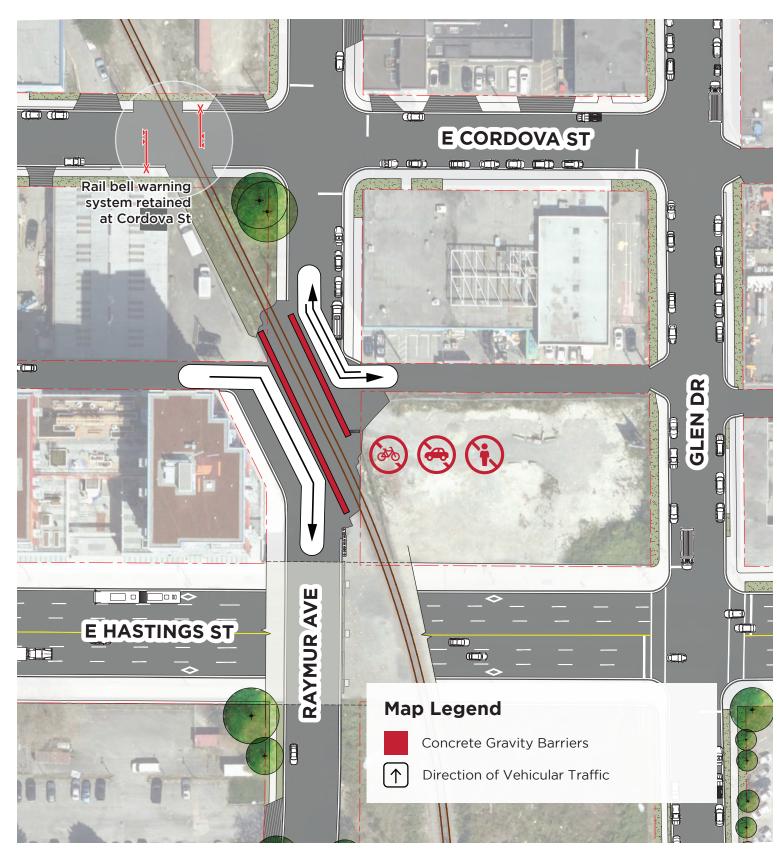
What's Happening?

We will be making safety modifications to the Raymur Avenue railway crossing (north of Hastings St) to meet Transport Canada's new "Grade Crossing Standards" which include closing the crossing and removing the rail crossing warning system.

This will help to reduce the noise from the rail bell warning system and improve local resident livability. The E. Cordova St crossing currently meets the Federal Regulations and no changes are proposed for the crossing at this time; closure to motor vehicles may be considered in the future. The Raymur crossing closure would be implemented by Summer/Fall 2021.



Existing conditions looking south on Raymur Ave across the Burrard Inlet rail line and under the Hastings Overpass.



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Example of the concrete barriers which will be used to restrict access across the railway on Raymur Avenue.

Next Steps?

After reviewing feedback and making final adjustments to the design, the City will begin the Raymur Avenue closure in Summer/Fall 2021 and we will monitor impacts to neighborhood access.

If you have any questions or comments related to these improvements, please email our team by **June 30th, 2021** at **railsafety@vancouver.ca** or connect with us through our online services in the **VanConnect app** or by **calling 3-1-1**.