

Johnwoods Street Closure for Multi-Use Pathway From Maple Grove Road to Rosehill Avenue

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Has this type of roadway conversion been done elsewhere in Ottawa?

Yes. Richardson Side Road from Kanata Avenue to Terry Fox Drive was converted to a recreational corridor and multi-use pathway. The conversion provided additional open space amenities to the local residents.

2. How will Johnwoods Street be closed in the short and long term?

The contractor hired to complete the works is responsible for closing the street and providing a traffic control plan. When the construction is complete, removable bollards and barrier curbs will be in place to prevent vehicular traffic from using the street. Please refer to the concept plan to see the locations of these permanent features.

3. When will Rosehill Avenue be open to vehicle traffic between Warmstone Drive and Burnaby Drive?

Rosehill Avenue will be open to traffic and temporary traffic-calming measures will be installed one week before Johnwoods Street is closed for construction, which is estimated to begin on Wednesday, November 15, 2017.

4. Will the private residential fences backing onto the pathway be affected by the construction?

No. Some trees and shrubs will be planted next to the fences, but the fences will be unaffected by the work.

5. Will there be lighting along the pathway?

The existing street lights on Johnwoods Street will be retained.

6. Who will maintain the multi-use pathway after it has been built?

Mattamy Homes' contractor will cut the grass after construction. Mattamy and the City of Ottawa will meet to review the completed work and address any deficiencies. Once Mattamy has completed the work to the satisfaction of the City, the Public Works and Environmental Services Department will take over maintenance of the multi-use pathway.

7. How will bus route 162 change because of the partial closure of Johnwoods Street?

Route 162 buses will be redirected to travel along Santolina Street between Maple Grove Street and Rosehill Avenue. There will be two new bus stops on Santolina Street; one close to 151 Santolina Street and the other behind 346 Astelia Crescent. The same number of trips will operate on Santolina Street as they do on Johnwoods Street today.

8. Can I request changes to the design of the proposed multi-use pathway?

Yes, comments on the design, such as tree species or park bench locations can still be considered. If you have changes that you would like to propose, please contact City Staff as outlined in the attached notice by November 15, 2017. The design has been reviewed and supported by the City of Ottawa and construction is scheduled to start on Wednesday, November 15, 2017. On the suggestion of the ward councillor, the landscaping behind the Bryanston Gate homes was revised to include more coniferous trees to create a greater visual buffer. Additional features could be provided by the City in the future if funding is available.

The closure of Johnwoods Street from Maple Grove Road to Rosehill Avenue and its conversion to a multi-use pathway was approved by the City of Ottawa in February 2015 and is registered as a condition of Mattamy's Fairwinds West subdivision agreement. There can be no changes made regarding the decision to close the road, additional background information on the decision can be found on the Councillor's website listed at the end of this document.

9. Where can I find more information about the project?

Please visit Councillor Shad Qadri's website, shadqadri.com/johnwoods-closure, to view information about the chronology, decision and construction of the project.