

Toronto City Councillor

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WARD 41 E-NEWS REPORT



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Dear Friendly Neighbour:

Transportation is re-launching the "Please Slow Down" campaign as part of City's [Vision Zero](#) initiative to improve road safety in residential and school zones. Please contact my office if you would like to pick up a "Please Slow Down" sign which you can install on your front lawn. More information in this E-news.

23 Glen Watford has applied for a proposed 10-Storey senior's residence. 25 Glen Watford has re-submitted their proposal and lowered their wants to two 28-storey towers. Included in their applications is a sub-division to build a new public street to provide access to their 2 proposed developments. More information in this E-news.

Bell Canada continues to install their network cable in our ward. If you are experiencing issues with their contracted work, please provide details to my office so we can assist you.

As the holiday season is coming up, I would like to invite you and your family to the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at Scarborough Civic Centre on **Friday, December 1, from 7pm to 9pm**, where we will be joined by Santa. Bring your camera and enjoy free activities for all ages. More information under [Events](#).

Follow my **website** - <https://chinlee41.wordpress.com/> and other social media outlets [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) to stay in touch.

Yours truly,

Chin Lee

Your Ward Councillor

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Around the Ward and Beyond

"PLEASE SLOW DOWN" SIGNS AVAILABLE AT MY SCARBOROUGH OFFICE

As part of City of Toronto's Vision Zero initiative and a continuation of the previous Fall/Spring "Please Slow Down" campaign, the new "Please Slow Down" signs are available for pick-up at my Scarborough office. The news sign offers a refreshed look, designed as a visual reminder to deter motorists from speeding in sensitive areas such as school zones and residential areas. If you have a previous generation yellow sign, please continue using it. These signs can be placed on public property (between the curb and the property line), 2 ft. from the curb between April 1st and November 30th. *Chin's Comment: I think the old sign is more visible.*

Please contact my office if you would like to pick up a sign.

23 AND 25 GLEN WATFORD DRIVE PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The City is holding a community consultation meeting where you can learn more about the applications at 23 Glen Watford (two 28-storey residential towers with 551 units) and 25 Glen Watford (10-storey senior's residence/commercial), and a joint draft plan of subdivision application to create a new public street expanding east of Glen Watford Dr. A copy of the preliminary report for 25 Glen Watford providing background can be accessed at <http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2017.SC26.5>.

If you have any questions, please consider attending the meeting on Tuesday, December 5th, 2017 from 7pm to 9pm, at Agincourt Recreation Centre – Hall (A), 31 Glen Watford Dr., Scarborough. Please also refer to the attached meeting notice for more details.

HYDRO ONE VEGETATION MAINTENANCE – WARD 41

Hydro One will be conducting routine vegetation maintenance on the 50 kilometer electricity transmission corridor between Malvern Transformer Station in Scarborough, to Richview Transformer Station in Etobicoke. Work in Ward 41 is expected to start later this fall and last approximately one week, weather permitting. Crews will begin work in our community at Markham Road, and move westward along the transmission corridor to Kennedy Road. If you have any questions about the vegetation maintenance in Ward 41, please contact Hydro One Community Relations at 1-877-345-6799. Please refer to the attachment for Community Notice and Overall map.

WATERMAIN REHABILITATION PROGRAM – MCCOWAN RD

The City of Toronto is currently undertaking a Watermain Rehabilitation project within Ward 41. The project is located on McCowan Rd from Sandhurst Cr North to Sandhurst Cr South. This project is to clean out the watermain, and add a new liner inside that will protect against breaks and improve the water quality. This work also requires tree removal to ensure they do not pose a hazard to the public excavation may destabilize the roots.

The project is scheduled for completion in December 2017 and may return in Spring 2018 to complete restorations including grass or any landscaping that is required.

TORONTO HYDRO PROJECTS IN WARD 41

1. Reliability Improvement – Project Blue Eagle – Dunmail

Toronto Hydro is rebuilding the aging underground electrical system to help improve service reliability in the area bounded by the following boundaries:

- South Shields Avenue (North), Alexmuir Boulevard (East), Finch Avenue East (South), Midland Avenue (West)

The approximate completion date for the civil portion of the project is late June of 2018 and the electrical portion is tentatively scheduled for late 2018. Please refer to the attached notice and Key Map for more information.

2. Project Cable Maintenance

This project is designed to help improve the electricity system in the ward. The project area includes the following sections:

- Battering Gate, Penmarric Place, Placentia Boulevard and Statesman Square between Steeles Avenue East (North) and Middlefield Road (South)

Work is expected to begin by early November 2017. For more information, please refer to the attached Notice and Key Map.

3. Improvement – Project Middlefield – Passmore

Toronto Hydro is planning to rebuild the aging underground electrical system to help improve service reliability which includes the replacement of the existing electrical cables and transformers within the City of Toronto's public property allowance in front or adjacent to your lots within the following boundaries:

- Steeles Avenue East (North), Markham Road (East), Passmore Avenue (South) and Middlefield Road (West)

The expected completion date is late April 2019. The Notice and Key Map are attached in this E-news.

TTC SERVICE CHANGE

In 2015, the TTC board and City Council introduced an array of service improvements across the city which included introducing new periods of operation (all-day, every-day network), introducing new express bus services, improving off-peak crowding standards, introducing a 10-minute-or-better network, and expanding the overnight transit network.

A post-implementation review report was recently submitted to the TTC Board with recommendations of introducing new periods of operation (all-day, every-day network) and introducing new express bus services. The report can be accessed at [http://ttc.ca/About the TTC/Commission reports and information/Commission meetings/2017/November 13/Reports/15 Post Implementation Review of 2015 Service.pdf](http://ttc.ca/About%20the%20TTC/Commission%20reports%20and%20information/Commission%20meetings/2017/November%2013/Reports/15%20Post%20Implementation%20Review%20of%202015%20Service.pdf).

Please see the bus routes below that go through Ward 41, based on new ridership data collected since 2015,

- 169 Huntingwood – weekend service after 10pm will be discontinued (effective April 1st, 2018) as it does not meet the TTC's service standard of 10 boardings per hour.
- 199 Finch Rocket – ridership experienced a steady increase and provided faster and more convenient travel

City of Toronto and Beyond

HOME ENERGY LOAN PROGRAM (HELP)

Tired of a cold, drafty home and high energy bills - HELP is here!

Through the City of Toronto's Home Energy Loan Program (HELP), you can get a low-interest loan to cover the cost of a new high-efficiency furnace, new windows, doors, insulation and more. And if you want to go the extra mile, the loan can also cover the cost of solar rooftop panels, solar hot water heaters, and geothermal heating and cooling!

The great thing about Toronto's Home Energy Loan Program, is that at the same time that you make your home more comfortable and reduce your energy bills, you'll also be reducing the emissions that contribute to climate change.

To learn more, visit <http://toronto.ca/home-energy-loan> or call (416) 392-1826.

EVENTS

2nd Cultural Hotspot Community Connect

Date: Tuesday, November 28, 2017

Time: 6:00pm – 8:30pm

Location: Burrows Hall Community Centre, 1081 Progress Ave., Scarborough

Details: RSVP to Vanessa at artsservices@toronto.ca or (416) 392-1210.

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony – Scarborough Civic Centre

Date: Friday, December 1, 2017

Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Location: Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Dr., Scarborough

Details: Join us for the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at Scarborough Civic Centre and have your photo taken with Santa Claus. Poster attached.

23 and 25 Glen Watford Drive Planning Application – Public Consultation Meeting

Date: Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Location: Agincourt Recreation Centre – Hall (A), 31 Glen Watford Dr., Scarborough

Details: The City is holding a Community Consultation meeting where you can learn more about the planning applications for 23 and 25 Glen Watford Drive, ask questions and share your comments. For more information of this meeting, please see the attached meeting notice.

Yes In My Backyard (YIMBY) Festival

Date: Saturday, December 9, 2017

Time: 12:00noon – 4:00pm

Location: Metro Hall Rotunda, 55 John St., Toronto

Details: Shape My City is hosting the 10th annual YIMBY (Yes In My Backyard) Festival. It is a free, city-wide event highlighting community-based action and ideas. For more information, visit <http://yimbytoronto.org>.

Milliken Park CRC Community Christmas Party

Date: Sunday, December 10, 2017

Time: 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Location: Milliken Park Community Recreation Centre, 4325 McCowan Rd., Scarborough

Details: Activities will include an inflatable Obstacle Course, Visit with Santa, Carnival Games, Cookie Decorating, Face Painting, Magic Shows, Crafts and More. Tickets will be available for purchase on Saturday, November 25 from 9am to 2pm.

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