

Guelph City Council,

The fashion which this study was published was offensive to property owners and business owners. Still to this day many more community members who would be heavily affected are still not aware. Many directly impacted were not notified and no one from the community was consulted in any way before the information was published to the public. City Council has the duty to meet privately with properties owners before affecting their property value.

To add salt to injury the study's conclusion in the name of safety, this bluntly ignoring common sense issues that takes away feasibility.

- The traffic, including commercial trucks that would be diverted through a school zone.
- Blocking pedestrian traffic to Sunny Acres Park, the underpass blinding drivers to any crossing pedestrian.
- Traffic diverting down alley way at end of Crimea, to access Edinburgh at Sultan St.
- The build up of traffic at Paisley is the problem not this crossing, not solving anything.

What would Actually improve safety; would be

- A cross walk at Crimea intersection as the hill in combination with speeding traffic is very dangerous for anyone who may be a little slow to cross. The train often offers a time so pedestrians can cross. Many people use Sunny Acres Park year-round.
- There Are other more reasonable ways to address the safety concerns at the crossing, different design of crossing blockades for example. (look at Europe)

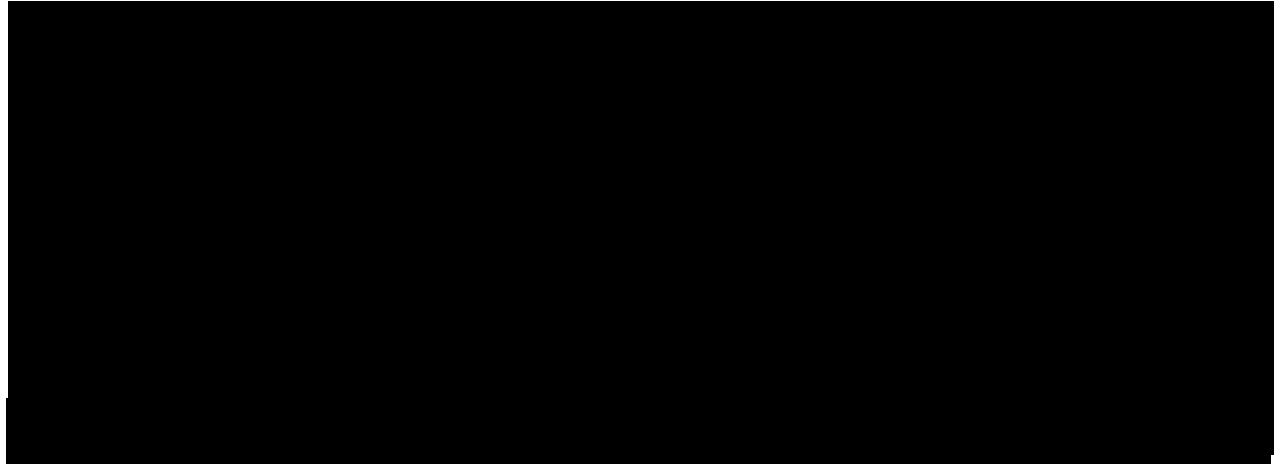
The environmental study also needs to consider

- The preservation of historic buildings with great weight.
- Splitting up a neighborhood to foot and bike traffic to one of Guelphs most prized parks, Sunny Acres, is the exact opposite of connectivity.
- Preserving community close to downtown or ugly concrete underpass
- Cost of properly compensating homeowners and businesses. Will surpass your construction budget.

Historic Homes:

Many of these affected homes are on the list of *Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties*.

Some may be formal Designation worthy. Our home is a great example:



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Built c. 1880

Gothic Revival, 1 storey, L-shape gable roof, bush-hammered quoins, bracketed porch complete with iron cresting, bay window with arched and colonette detail, bracket, bargeboard, entrance transom, round-topped panel door.

The publishing of the affected properties is not the process that should have been taken. Having this information published publicly affects property value, Not when the plan is to be executed but Now. The city should not be so reckless, having these crazy plans published at this point. IF after actual credible considerations with the community and environmental the prospect still looks good, only then should this be published to the public. It seems the city did the opposite of engaging the community, NO one was notified, property owners, business owners, NO ONE was aware. We found out with public advertising of the recommended plan. This is not only bad process but one that puts the city liable for the loss in property value. This plan is not feasible and absent of any reasonable justifications. Property values will continue to be affected the longer there is efforts to consider the possibility of this stupid plan. The EA to be carried forward needs to be executed Promptly now that the damage is done, not in a measure of Years.

Concerned Home Owner,

*Michael Savage*