Expanding the Underground Stormwater Storage Tank in Memorial Park

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Basement Flooding Protection Program

- This project is part of the City's Basement Flooding Protection Program to help reduce the risk of future basement flooding in the Midtown area.
- On August 19, 2005, the City experienced widespread basement flooding with over 4,200 complaints, which resulted in a City-wide assessment of basement flooding.
- City Council approved a strategy to develop comprehensive plans in 67 areas across the city to help reduce the risk of future basement flooding.





About the Project

 In 2014, a study was completed to address flooding in the area between Bathurst and Dufferin Streets and from Highway 401 to Roselawn Avenue.

 The study recommended upgrades, including additional storm water storage at Memorial Park. The City of Toronto is planning to expand the storage in

Memorial Park by four times to 36,600 m³.

• Expansion is required to prevent flooding of the existing storm sewers in the area.

- The original tank was constructed in 1982 and has a capacity of 9,600 m³.
- Municipal and Federal investment of approximately \$270M.



Details about the Planned Storage Tank

- The tank will temporarily store excess water from storm events until it is safe to discharge the flows to the downstream sewer.
- A new pumping station will control the volume of discharge in order to avoid overfilling and flooding of the downstream sewers.
- 97 m long, 56 m wide, 10-12 m tall (underground)
- Roof located 1.5 m below the ground
- State of the art cleaning of the storage tank



Planned Stormwater Tank Location



North Preparatory Junior Public School

New Underground Storm Water Storage Tank

New Pumping Station, with above ground structure

Memorial Arena

Planned Surface Building for Pumping Station



Rendering of planned surface building at Memorial Park



Anticipated Project Timeline

- Anticipated design completion: Early 2023
- Anticipated start of construction: Fall 2023*
- Expected duration of construction: 3-4 years in Memorial Park*

*Construction timelines are subject to change



Construction Details

- The tank will be constructed within a large open excavation
- The walls of the excavation and the adjacent buildings will be monitored for movement
- Noise and vibration will be monitored continuously







Example of tank excavation

Construction Safety Measures

- All work areas will be enclosed and secured with solid wood fencing
- All entry points into work areas will have lockable gates
- Temporary walkways will be provided around work areas





Example of solid wood construction fencing with decorative design

Current Plans for Restoring the Site

- Athletic running track will be restored
- Sports playing fields will be restored
- Other restoration details are being developed with the input of the TDSB and CreateTO





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Thank you!

