
Subject: FW: City Council Consideration of 1440 Taylor Drive Road Closure Bylaw No. 9117, 2020

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Regarding City Council Consideration of 1440 Taylor Drive Road Closure Bylaw No. 9117, 2020

Neither the announcement in the newspaper nor anything in the material linked on the City's website makes any mention of any impact, or otherwise, of the proposed road closure on the short section of Heritage River Trail that connects from the Fraser River up to Taylor Drive, and that is adjacent/parallel/coincident with the proposed road closure. Exhibit A to the staff report to council does seem to show the trail corridor to be clear of the proposed closure.

Historical note: the Heritage River Trail briefly, and perhaps informally ran atop the artificial rock berm that was built below Taylor Drive to protect the bank from erosion. This seemed to be a natural location for the trail and to provide maximum public access along the riverside. However, the artificial berm raised questions of where the property lines were located as they were demarcated by the high water mark, plus security and privacy concerns were raised by some residents of Taylor Drive. As a result, a compromise was reached by the City to fence off the berm and to divert the trail up to and along Taylor Drive, where it has been ever since. It's therefore important that public riverside access is not further compromised by this closure.

Please advise whether or not this short section of Heritage River trail would in any way be impacted by the proposed closure. In the event there is any impact, then I, and possibly others might wish to prepare written submissions, so an early response would be appreciated.

Thank you

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