

Dain City water main project receives provincial, federal government funding as part of province-wide water infrastructure commitment

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Welland, ON – The City of Welland will enhance water infrastructure in Dain City with a secure water main due to recently-announced funding from the provincial and federal governments.

In total, the project is valued at \$4.87 million, with nearly 75 per cent being funded through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Green Stream Stage II.

During an announcement on April 14, representatives from both levels of government, including Jennifer O'Connell, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities, Vance Badawey, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Indigenous Services and Member of Parliament for Niagara Centre, Chris Bittle, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Canadian Heritage and Member of Parliament for St. Catharines, the Honourable Kinga Surma, Ontario's Minister of Infrastructure, and Sam Oosterhoff, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Education and Member of Provincial Parliament for Niagara West, shared the news as part of a province-wide commitment to 144 community water infrastructure projects.

"Investment in critical infrastructure is a pillar of sustainability to a growing city like Welland. The Dain City Secure watermain project is an important realization for our residents," said Mayor Frank Campion. "Funding from our provincial and federal partners strengthens our infrastructure and brings greater peace of mind to our residents, which pays dividends long after the work is complete."

In Welland, this investment supports the installation of approximately 1,500 metres of watermain along Canal Bank Road, seven new hydrants, and additional valves and connections. The improvements ensure that residents have reliable access to clean drinking water. This investment will also restore roads and sidewalks impacted by work on this project.

The new watermain connection to Dain City provides security of water supply to the residents in the area. Currently, only one watermain serves the community. If there were ever a problem with that main, all of Dain City would be without water. The funding for this project instils peace of mind that if anything happens with the current main in Dain City, the City can isolate the issue and make repairs. Additionally, from a community safety perspective, the same continuity of service security applies when there is service interruption and a need for a fire hydrant.

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