

TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL INFORMATION ITEM

Committee: Committee of the Whole – Public Works, Environmental Services & Facilities

Date: January 17, 2022

Department: Administration

Topic: River Route Update – Route Modifications

Background: The River Route Operations Committee is finalizing a few refinements to the route based on feedback and committee discussions.

Adjustments to Current Route

- Departing Brockville along the 2nd concession versus County Rd 2 to Maitland
- Shifting Sarah Street stop to MERC hall in Maitland
- Addition of a stop at Cedar Street in Maitland
- Shifting James Street stop (Ingredion) to John Street (across from Anglican Church)

There are concerns from a risk management perspective on instituting a flag down the bus system throughout the route, especially along County Rd 2. However, committee has agreed to test out a flag down system in the lower speed areas (50km/h or less) along the route in Maitland, Prescott, Johnstown and Cardinal.

The large gap between Johnstown and Cardinal can be narrowed by adding stops at locations such as Grenville Park, Johnstown Motel, Blair Road and ELC automotive. The bus would only stop if there was a rider waiting at these locations.

The flag down system and the additional non-scheduled locations should not be relied upon absolute or to the same degree as the scheduled stop locations.

The adjustments are scheduled to take effect the week of January 24, 2022. An updated report on financials, ridership and survey results is planned for early February.

In closing, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the operations and marketing committees for their work to date on this project.

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