

West Industrial Local Area Plan

Recommendations

South River Crossing

After significant public consultation the Circle Drive South River Crossing Functional Plan was approved by the Executive Committee on May 22, 2007. The plan included alignment of the bridge and roadways on the east and west sides of the river. Construction and re-alignment of roadways is set to begin in 2008 and the bridge is expected to be completed in 2011.

Truck Route

On September 4, 2007 the Truck Bylaw went to a public hearing and passed. The bylaw lays out a framework for where and how trucks can and cannot pass through the city, directing them to routes that will have the least negative effect on the surrounding areas.

Resource Allocation

Funding for the Riversdale Business Improvement District was increased in 2004/2005. Funding was made available for the active pursuit of businesses contemplating start up or expansion in the West Industrial Area and other Enterprise Zone locations.

Enterprise Zone Review

On March 13, 2006 funding for the City of Saskatoon's Enterprise Zone program was renewed and the program was expanded to include West Industrial. The Enterprise Zone provides funding and incentives for business to invest in and develop sites in Saskatoon's core neighbourhoods.

Historical Chronology

A Historical Chronology of the development and history of West Industrial was completed in December 2006 and presented to City Council on March 26, 2007. The chronology can be viewed on the City of Saskatoon City Planning website.

Flexible Landscaping Standards

In April 2004, City Council approved new landscaping standards for commercial and industrial developments. The new standards include more flexible standards to help ensure appropriate landscaping is provided with any new development.

Land Use and Zoning Updates

Proposed Land Use Policy Map and the proposed Zoning Map changes in West Industrial will be presented to City Council following further consultation with affected property owners in early 2008.



Brick Inventory and Brick Collection

Bricks from the old Imperial Oil Building's located at 1202 19th Street West, were collected and inventoried. The bricks are currently in storage until they can be used as part of an interpretive sign or other commemorative feature for the area.



Road Paving

18th Street and Avenue L, adjacent to Optimist Park, were paved in 2006. In Summer 2007 funding was approved for the upgrade of a number of streets in the core neighbourhoods, the following streets are scheduled to be paved in 2008.

- Avenue K from 17th Street to 18th Street
- Avenue N from 17th Street to 19th Street
- 19th Street from Avenue L to Avenue N

Multi Modal Link & Opening Avenue O

Summer 2007, the 17th Right of Way, from Spadina Crescent to Avenue P, will be redeveloped to include green space, trees, a bike/walking path and benches. This development will include the opening of Avenue O South at 17th Street, improving access to businesses and assisting to remove trucks and other industry traffic from 16th Street.

Avenue P Sidewalk

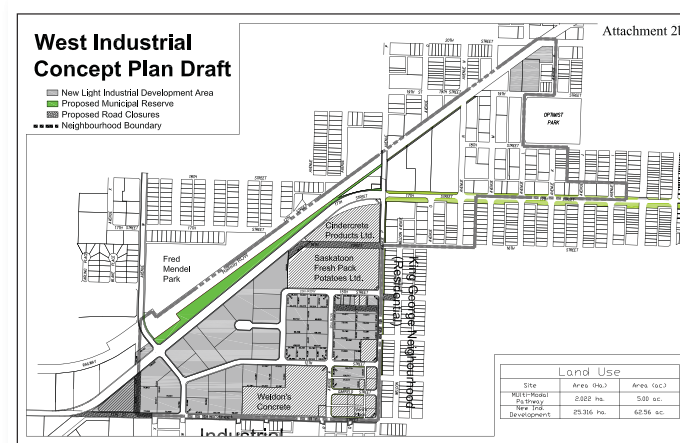
A sidewalk is to be built on the west side of Avenue P from 11th Street to 17th Street.

Summer Clean-Up

The first annual West Industrial Community Clean Up occurred Saturday, September 9th, 2006. This was followed in June 2007 by a very successful joint community clean up that combined the neighbourhoods of Pleasant Hill, West Industrial and Riversdale. The next community clean up will occur Spring 2008.

Mixed Use Policy

City Council approved the mixed-use policy district on December 12th, 2005. The objective of the policy is to establish appropriate guidance for areas where there is a mix of residential, commercial and light industrial land use activity.



Concept Plan

A concept plan to chart the future development of the West Industrial is currently being prepared. Over the long-term, a Concept Plan will ensure that future development takes place in a systematic and well-planned framework that will not only increase the desirability of the area as a place for industry and residents, but also a sustainable live-work community.