



City of Port Colborne Council Meeting Addendum

Date: Tuesday, September 9, 2025
Time: 6:30 pm
Location: Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall
66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne

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Subject: Veterans Crosswalk

To: Council - Public Meeting

From: Public Works Department

Report Number: 2025-187

Meeting Date: September 9, 2025

Recommendation:

That Public Works Department Report 2025-187 be received; and

That the Director of Public Works be directed to upgrade the Clarence Street pedestrian crossing line painting to match the aesthetics as outlined in Appendix A using regular road paint for a cost of \$3,100 to be funded from the Public Works Operating Budget before October 18, 2025.

Purpose:

Council requested staff determine costs, locations and the feasibility of installing multiple Veteran Crosswalks in Port Colborne as proposed by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56.

Background:

At Council on August 26, 2025 the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56 proposed four new Veteran Crosswalks be installed at the following locations:

- Clarence Street – Legion to King George Park
- Catherine Street – Legion to Shoppers Drug Mart
- Catherine Street – King George Park to Bella's Blooms
- Sugarloaf Street – mid block between Lighthouse Lane and Elm St (connection to stairs to Cenotaph in H.H Knoll Park).

Council referred the proposal to staff to review proposed locations, short and long-term infrastructure planning that would impact the crosswalks, and to determine costs associated with initial and ongoing painting.

Discussion:

Location

Staff have reviewed the locations with the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56. The Clarence and Catherine Street locations would be suitable for a Veterans Crosswalk due to the current layout of the intersection and existing crosswalks. The installation of a Veterans Crosswalk on Sugarloaf Street is not recommended as there is no controlled crossing in the location proposed. Staff will review options to improve the cenotaph area within H.H. Knoll Park that would allow the installation of a Veterans mural along a trail system in the future.

Infrastructure Planning

Staff have reviewed infrastructure needs within the Clarence and Catherine Street intersection and do not have future plans for water or sanitary sewers to be replaced but are currently completing a storm sewer master plan which will be completed in early 2026. Due to the material type of the storm sewer and age there is a high probability that the storm sewer will require replacement. If the need to replace the storm sewer is required, other infrastructure may be replaced or lined to maximize efficiency and lower costs. Once the full scope of the city-wide storm sewer issues are presented within the master plan, staff will create a storm sewer financial plan to tackle the issues and determine priority projects. Should this area become a priority project based on the master plan, it would not be constructed for a minimum of 3 years, but likely farther out due to priority sequencing.

Crosswalk Costs

To ensure the proper application and the highest quality finish of the Veterans Crosswalks it is recommended that the City retain a professional that deals in road painting to complete the work due to the fine details of the lettering and silhouette.

Staff have reviewed three options for painting the Veterans Crosswalk being thermoplastic, cold plastic road markings, and regular road paint. Quotes were requested for these services and the thermoplastic supplier was unable to complete the work within the time allowed but are able to complete a cold plastic road marking or regular paint application. The cold form plastic will last longer than regular paint but comes at an increased price of \$6,700 per location, while the regular paint will cost \$3,100 per location for the initial installation.

Paint renewal for cold form plastic is estimated at \$4,000 excluding HST every 2-4 years. Future applications of regular road paint is expected to cost \$700 and be repainted three times per year, once in the spring, once in July, and once in October, totalling \$2,100 per location each year.

Internal Consultations:

Future infrastructure works were discussed with the Environmental Services Team.

Financial Implications:

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56 has committed to fundraising efforts to offset initial project costs. It is expected that the City will pay for the crosswalk installations and any money raised from the fundraising will be paid back to the City to offset the costs; the amount to be raised is undetermined at this time.

Public Engagement:

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56, reviewed locations, costs and options for the Veterans Crosswalk.

Strategic Plan Alignment:

The initiative contained within this report supports the following pillar of the strategic plan:

- Welcoming, Livable, Healthy Community
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Conclusion:

Due to the potential for future infrastructure upgrades in the Clarence and Catherine Street area staff recommend installing one main Veterans Crosswalk at the formal pedestrian crossing on Clarence Street, east of Catherine Street, connecting the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56 to King George Park using regular road paint.

Appendices:

- a. Veterans Crosswalk Example

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Shypowskyj
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Report Approval:

All reports reviewed and approved by the Department Director and also the City Treasurer when relevant. Final review and approval by the Chief Administrative Officer.

Veterans Crosswalk Example

Proposed Design:



Proposed Location:

