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# INFORMATION BULLETIN

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## Downtown Parking Study Asks About Parking Experience

**ABBOTSFORD – September 16, 2019** –The City of Abbotsford is conducting a comprehensive parking study in the Historic Downtown area to understand overall parking concerns, experiences and future needs.

The Historic Downtown area continues to evolve and attract more development, businesses, customers, and visitors which adds to the parking pressures on specific days of the week and at specific times of the day.

The Abbotsford Historic Downtown Parking Study seeks to understand existing and future needs for parking and develop a strategic management plan to enable the City to manage the transportation needs associated with its future growth over the next 10 years as envisioned in the Historic Downtown Neighbourhood Plan (HDNP). The project is being completed over two stages, which began in July 2019 with background research, with completion planned for early 2020.

The public is asked to take the online questionnaire which will help the City better understand the current parking experiences and will provide valuable insight into the parking study. The questionnaire is available on the Let's Talk Abbotsford website at [www.letstalkabbotsford.ca/parking](http://www.letstalkabbotsford.ca/parking). The questionnaire will be available from September 16, 2019 until October 4, 2019.

The questionnaire findings will be incorporated into the final report, which will be presented to Council. A summary of the key findings from the questionnaire will also be available on the Let's Talk Abbotsford website.

The City of Abbotsford has hired Watt Consulting Group, a transportation and engineering firm based in Vancouver, to undertake the study.

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