New Implementation Approach for the F.G. Gardiner Expressway Revised Strategic Rehabilitation Plan

Presentation to City Council

Executive Director, Engineering & Construction Services
Overview

- Gardiner Strategic Plan Background
- Original Approach
- Funding Update
- Cost Estimate Update
- New Implementation Approach
- Recommendations
“At-grade” section: Hwy. 427 to Dufferin Street (1955 to 1958)
“Elevated” section: Dufferin Street to Logan Avenue (1959 to 1966)
Strategic Rehabilitation Plan – prepared in 2014
- Study area: Highway 427 to Logan Avenue (Don Valley Parkway)
- Methodology: Based on condition assessments
- Outcome: prioritization of works into immediate, short term and longer term rehabilitation requirements based on public safety and needs
Gardiner Strategic Plan Background
– Cross Section

F.G. Gardiner Expressway

F. G. GARDINER EXPRESSWAY

DECK

GIRDERS

BENT
(PIER CAPS + COLUMNS)

PARAPET WALL

PIER CAP

COLUMN

10"

DECK

GIRDER

ASPHALT
WATERPROOFING
CONCRETE

REBAR
CONCRETE

WESTBOUND

WESTBOUND

Lake Shore Boulevard
Condition Assessment of the Elevated Section

- Deck & Barriers: Red (poor), Green (good)
- Girders: Green (good), Yellow (moderate), Red (poor)

Section Type:
- Concrete T-Beam
- Steel Girder
- Concrete Box Girder

- Bents (substructure) - some require extensive work
- Bearings – good to poor
- Drainage System – functional issues
Gardiner Strategic Plan Background

- **Elevated Section:**
  - Concrete Deck and Barrier Walls are near the end of their service life
  - Bents require extensive concrete repair work
  - Better drainage needed to prevent “waterfall” onto Lake Shore Boulevard
  - Steel girders will need recoating - in 10 years

- **At Grade Section:**
  - Repairs required to all Overpass and Underpass Structures
  - Pavement reconstruction and resurfacing all 11 kilometres
  - Roadside safety improvements required throughout:
    - e.g., guard rail upgrades and shoulder widening to comply with current Ontario highway standards
Gardiner Strategic Plan Background

• Interim Repairs:
  – Extremely poor condition of the bridge deck of the Eastern section of the Expressway east of Jarvis
  – Temporary Solution: immediate, interim measures to keep the Expressway safe and serviceable for next 5 years
  – Approximately $20 million spent since 2014
Original Approach for the Implementation of the Revised Strategic Rehabilitation Plan

At its meeting of September 30 – October 2, 2015, Council directed staff to:

- The Strategic Rehabilitation Plan was revised to incorporate the Gardiner East Hybrid Option for the elevated section of the Expressway east of Jarvis Street
- Proceed with a Public-Private-Partnership (P3) to implement the Rehabilitation Plan and make an application to PPP Canada, where the City could receive up to 1/3 of the capital costs ($820 million)
  - P3 approach was subject to the receipt of the federal funding
- Re-iterate a request to the Province to provide matching 1/3 funding for the project
- Engage Infrastructure Ontario (IO) to assist with the P3 procurement
Funding Update

• City submitted applications for $820 million to the federal government by the March 31, 2016 due date

• However:
  – PPP Canada funding program has been paused
  – To date, City has been unable to secure the federal funding

• Province has not provided any indication that it is prepared to fund the project
Cost Estimate Update

• Infrastructure Ontario (IO) revised their cost estimates:
  - The preferred alternative for the Gardiner East EA (Hybrid 3)
  - Additional scope for the Western section of the Gardiner (West of Jarvis) mainly resulting from the recommendations contained in a recently completed due diligence condition assessment report

• Based on the cost update by IO, if the project were to proceed as a P3 project:
  - The capital costs would increase by $1 billion
  - Increase split approximately equally between the section west of Jarvis and the section east of Jarvis

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New Implementation Approach

• New implementation approach is being proposed because:
  - Higher estimated project costs using P3 approach
  - Lack of federal funding
  - Other impending projects affecting construction in the eastern section of the Gardiner
    > Rail Track Expansion / Unilever GO Station
    > Port Lands Flood Protection Project

• Now recommending a new approach based on dividing the work on the Gardiner east and west of Cherry Street
New Implementation Approach

West of Cherry Street

• Series of phased contracts utilizing the traditional design-bid-build approach
New Implementation Approach

East of Cherry Street

• Undertake preliminary engineering design (to 30%), of the Gardiner East Hybrid 3, where the project costs, schedule and risks would be fully assessed

• Incorporate components of the other large scale projects planned within the Gardiner East work zone, in consultation with Metrolinx, Waterfront Toronto, and TRCA

• Upon completion of the preliminary engineering design, a procurement options analysis will be undertaken to ascertain the preferred implementation approach
New Implementation Approach

Revised Cash Flow Requirements

• $2.3 billion is already contained in Transportation Services’ approved 10-year Capital Plan
  – Provides the necessary funding for most of the Gardiner rehabilitation needs from Hwy 427 to the Don Valley Parkway, including implementation of the Gardiner Hybrid 3

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New Implementation Schedule (2018 to 2024)

- **Year**
  - 2014
  - 2015
  - 2016
  - 2017
  - 2018
  - 2019
  - 2020
  - 2021
  - 2022
  - 2023
  - 2024
  - 2025
  - 2026

- **Traffic Disruption**
  - West of Cherry
  - East of Cherry

- **Notes**
  - Rehabilitation of concrete box girder section York to Jarvis scheduled for 2035
New Implementation Approach

- Where site conditions permit, an Accelerated Bridge Construction method for the elevated section of the Gardiner
  - This construction method could reduce the implementation schedule by 15% to 40% in comparison to “build-in-place” bridge deck rehabilitation
- The New Implementation Approach will require 24/7 construction in certain areas
- Working with Legal Services, investigate terms and conditions that could be included in construction contracts to incentivize contractors to complete projects ahead of schedule, where feasible
New Implementation Approach

- Engineering & Construction Services has successfully completed several projects on the “at-grade” and “elevated” sections of the Gardiner Expressway within budget and schedule.

- Most recently, an 800 metre section of the Gardiner West Deck was completed 27% ahead of schedule.
  - This translated to road user cost savings of approximately $200 million at a construction cost premium of only 8%.
Recommendations

1. Authorize staff to proceed with new approach for the implementation of the Revised Strategic Rehabilitation Plan for F.G. Gardiner Expressway.

2. Submit proposed cash flows associated with the new approach for implementation within the Transportation Services 2017-2026 Capital Budget and Plan for Council’s consideration.

3. Direct staff to report annually on the status of the implementation of the Revised Strategic Rehabilitation Plan for the F.G. Gardiner Expressway.