Proposals Report

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Downtown’s Defining Moment

Downtown is experiencing unprecedented growth

This defining moment in the evolution of Downtown places Toronto at a crossroads and requires us, collectively, to confront some challenging decisions.

The opportunity for transformation is immense.
To ensure growth contributes positively to Toronto’s Downtown as a great place to live, work, learn, play and invest.
Where Are We?

**PHASE 1**
Background Analysis & Emerging Directions

**PHASE 2**
Proposed Policy Directions

**PHASE 3**
Draft & Final Secondary Plan Infrastructure Strategies

- **Downtown Trends + Issues Report**
- **Emerging Directions**
- **Proposals Report**
- **Draft Secondary Plan**
- **Final Infrastructure Strategies**
- **Final Secondary Plan**

- **2014**
- **2015**
- **2016**
- **2017**
Cluster A
- Children’s Services
- Economic Development & Culture
- Employment & Social Services
- Parks, Forestry & Recreation
- Shelter, Support & Housing Administration
- Social Development, Finance & Administration
- Toronto Public Health

Cluster B
- LEAD: City Planning
- Toronto Water
- Transportation Services

Cluster C
- Corporate Finance
- Financial Planning
- Environment & Energy
- Real Estate Services

Supporting Partners
- Toronto Paramedic Services
- Fire Services
- TDSB / TCDSB
- Toronto Parking Authority
- Toronto Transit Commission
- Toronto Hydro
- Toronto Public Library

A Collaborative Project
Diverse Engagement

Events:
• Public Space for Public Life: Conversations on the Future of Downtown, April 6th
• Our Future King Panel Discussion, June 16th
• TOcore Expo, June 20-22, Metro Hall Rotunda
• Stakeholder Workshop: June 21st
• Cities for People – November 23rd

Online Survey:
• Over 684 people completed the online survey

Favourite Places:
• Over 1500 people used our Favourite Places online tool to tell us about what places Downtown they like, and what places need some attention

267 text messages with opinions or advice received
1,208 unique Twitter users
31,457 YouTube views
3,191 tweets with #DTadvice or #TOcore
Building Blocks

- Buildings & Neighbourhoods
- Economy
- Parks & Public Spaces
- Community Facilities
- Mobility
- Water
- Energy
The Proposals Report focuses on this deliverable.
Downtown is Growing

SINCE 2011
50,000 new residents

2016
estimated population
250,000

2041
projected potential population
475,000
Pattern of Growth

Projected Population Change 2011 - 2041

- Less than 100
- 5,000
- 7,500
- 15,000
- 25,000 or More
A Downtown Like No Other
Economic Powerhouse

- GDP: 51%
- Jobs: 33%
- Tax Base: 25%
- Residential Development: 37%
- Non-Residential Development: 45%
- Land Area: 3%
Vision

Guiding Growth

Downtown for the next 25 years
Guiding Principles
Liveability
Connectivity
Prosperity
Responsibility
128 Proposed Policies
A Finer Grain of *Mixed Use Areas*
Strengthen the Economic Role

Precincts and Districts

1. Financial District
2. Health Sciences District
3. Courts and Civic Precinct
4. Capital Precinct

Expanded Financial District

TOcore Study Area
A Plan at 3 Scales

SCALE 1 - THE CORE OF OUR CITY FORM AND CIVIC IMAGINATION

SCALE 2 - HYBRID INTERFACES TO RENEW DISTRICTS

SCALE 3 - LOCAL PLACES TO AUGMENT OVER-LOOKED AREAS

Source: PUBLIC WORK
Building for Liveability
Recognizing Vertical Communities

1 LAND PARCEL
AREA: 10,700 m²
8 YORK STREET
27 TO 38 STOREYS
3 TOWERS

= 1100 UNITS

10 BLOCKS
AREA: 241,400 m²
Downtown Mobility
Enhancing Community Facilities

Planned Future Facilities
- Licensed Child Care Centres
- City of Toronto Recreation Facilities
- Schools

Priority Areas for Future CS&F Opportunities

TOcore Study Area

Planned Capital Facilities
1. Wellesley Community Centre (New Pool)
2. 261 Jarvis / Centre for Sport Development
3. George St. Revitalization
4. Dundas/Jarvis Redevelopment (New Community Space)
5. St. Lawrence Library
6. Block 31 (City Place) Community Recreation Centre (TDSB/TCCDSB Elementary School & Childcare)
7. Sanderson Library
8. Parliament St. Library
9. 505 Richmond St. W (Proposed YMCA Centre)

Future Opportunity Sites to Explore

- Lower Yonge Precinct Potential New TDSB School
- Scadding Court Community Centre and Pool / Sanderson Library
- Brant St. School (Potential Hub)
- Bathurst Quay (Potential New Pool Location)
- Harrison Pool / University Settlement House
- Moss Park Redevelopment Project (John Innes / 519)
- Lower Yonge Precinct New P&F Facility
- Kensington Community School (Potential Hub)
Celebrating Culture
Making it Happen over 25 years

Plans and Strategies

New Downtown Secondary Plan

Infrastructure Strategies

Implementation Mechanisms

Capital Budgets

Growth-oriented Funding Options:
- Section 37
- Section 42
- Development Charges

Partnerships and Conservancy Models

Other Planning Tools:
- Holding By-laws
- Community Improvement Plans
1. The Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division bring forward a draft Secondary Plan for the Downtown, based on the policy directions outlined in Attachment 2 of this report, by the third quarter of 2017.

2. City Planning Division staff begin stakeholder and public consultation on the policy directions outlined in Attachment 1 to inform the development of the Secondary Plan for the Downtown described in Recommendation 1.

Attachment 1 – TOcore Proposals Report
Attachment 2 – List of Proposed Policy Directions