Timeline

2014
Phase 1
Background Analysis & Emerging Directions
Phase 1 Consultation: Downtown Trends and Issues

2015
Phase 2
Proposed Policy Directions
Phase 2 Consultation: Emerging Directions

2016
Phase 3
Draft & Final Downtown Plan Infrastructure Strategies
Phase 3A Consultation: TOcore Proposals Report
Phase 3B Consultation: Proposed Downtown Plan and 5 Infrastructure Strategies

2017
Final Downtown Plan

2018
Implementation

We are here.
The Role of Downtown

- GDP: 51%
- Jobs: 33%
- Tax Base: 25%
- Residential Development: 38%
- Non-Residential Development: 40%
- Land Area: 3%
Employment Growth Downtown

2011
432,900 jobs

2016
502,100 jobs

2041
850,000 - 915,000 jobs

13,800+ new jobs
Downtown per year (2011-2016)

Source: Toronto Employment Survey & Hemson Consulting
Residential Growth Downtown

2011 census population
199,000

2016 census population
238,000

2041 projected population
475,000

7,500+ new residents moving Downtown per year (2011-2016)
Residential Growth Patterns

Projected Population Change 2011 - 2041

- Less than 100
- 5,000
- 7,500
- 15,000
- 25,000 or More
Planning at the Downtown Scale

17 square kilometres
Existing Planning Framework

The Official Plan

2.2.1 Downtown: The Heart of Toronto

Map 6: Downtown & Central Waterfront

Map 18: Land Use Plan

10 Secondary Plans

46 SASPs

17 Urban Design Guidelines

11 HCDs
1 Vision

5 Goals

Complete Communities
Connectivity
Prosperity
Resiliency
Responsibility
Big Policy Moves

- Land Use, Scale & Economy
- Building for Liveability
- Parks & Public Realm
- Mobility
- Community Facilities / Housing
- Culture
- Resiliency
- Water
Defining Scales of Growth

- Mixed Use Area 1 - Growth
- Mixed Use Area 2 - Transitional
- Mixed Use Area 3 - Main Street
- Mixed Use Area 4 - Local
• A focus on **future job growth** and **strong institutions**.
• An **expanded Financial District** that prioritizes non-residential uses within walking distance of Union Station
• A **new Health Sciences District**, providing for health care expansion needs
• Support for **creative industries and culture sector employment** in King-Spadina and King-Parliament
• **5 infrastructure strategies** will link growth and infrastructure
• A “**Complete Community Assessment**” required for major developments
• Consideration of both **physical and social infrastructure needs**, both on-site and within the surrounding area
• City will determine whether further study is required
Building for Liveability

• **Sun protection** for parks and other open spaces
• **Expanded public realm and generous sidewalks** through building setback requirements
• **Transition** between varying scales of development
• **Well-designed and located amenity spaces**
• **Separation for Tall Buildings** (OPA 352 & ZBLA)
• On-site parkland dedication prioritized
• Incentives for developers to work together to consolidate their parkland
• A focus on **expanding, improving and connecting** public spaces
• A series of **new and innovative moves** to re-imagine, transform and grow the public realm
• A new Downtown **parks and public realm plan** to support implementation
Prioritizing Active Transportation

- A more **walkable Downtown**: pedestrian and public realm improvements
- A long-term **cycling network**
- **Surface transit priority** and **expansion** to support growth
- **Goods movement through curbside management**
• **A variety of unit types/sizes** in vertical communities: requirements for larger units
• Increasing **affordable housing** stock for renters and owners
• Replacement of **dwelling rooms**
• **No-net-loss** of community space through development
• Provision of **community infrastructure** concurrent with growth
• **CS&F Strategy** to actively and comprehensively address infrastructure needs as development proceeds
• Integration of green infrastructure
• Expansion of thermal energy networks (e.g. deep lake water cooling)
• Encouragement of low carbon energy infrastructure
• Back-up power for residential buildings
• Expansion of water-related servicing to support growth and reduction of groundwater inflow/infiltration into sewers
• Replacement of **existing culture sector space** as part of redevelopment
• **Cultural corridors** and **cultural precincts**
• Retention of **live music** venues & noise attenuation measures
• A new **Downtown Film Precinct**
Cluster A
- Children’s Services
- Economic Development & Culture
- Employment & Social Services
- Parks, Forestry & Recreation
- Shelter, Support & Housing
- SDFA
- Toronto Public Health
- Affordable Housing Office

Cluster B
- City Planning (Lead)
- Toronto Water
- Transportation Services
- Fire Services / Paramedic Services
- MCIC

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

Supporting Partners
- TDSB / TCDSB
- Toronto Parking Authority
- Toronto Transit Commission
- Toronto Hydro
- Toronto Public Library
- AOCCs / TNCs
Consultation & Engagement

- 2,000+ responses to the TOcore Survey from around the City
- 15,000+ website visits and 2,400+ #TOcore tweets
- 300+ participants at the policy open house
- Numerous stakeholder consultations including:
  - Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD)
  - Business Improvement Areas (BIAs)
  - Resident Associations
  - Commercial Real Estate Development Association (NAIOP)
  - Stakeholder Advisory Groups
Next Steps

Fall 2017  Stakeholder and public consultation on the proposed Downtown Plan and 5 draft Infrastructure Strategies

Q2 2018  Statutory meeting – Downtown OPA, Final Infrastructure Strategies, Financial Strategy

Ongoing  Rationalization of the existing complex planning framework
Downtown Toronto in 2041: The liveable, connected and resilient heart of a successful and prosperous city and region