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## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING** To be held by the Etobicoke York Community Council (Under the *Planning Act*)

Request to Amend the Official Plan (under File No. 20 212032 WET 02 TM)

Location of Application: Applicant:	Eglinton West Planning and Streetscape Study (stretching from Mount Dennis to Renforth Station) City-initiated Official Plan Amendment
DATE:	May 17, 2021
TIME:	9:30 a.m. or as soon as possible thereafter
PLACE:	By Video Conference, details below

## PROPOSAL

The Eglinton West Planning and Streetscape Study follows the vision identified by the 2014 Eglinton Connects Planning Study that established the initiative for the first phase of Crosstown LRT corridor. The Eglinton West Planning and Streetscape Study commenced in May 2018 and focused on an area boundary along the Eglinton Avenue West corridor that was 600 m wide and 9.2 km long (stretching from Mount Dennis to Renforth Station). The City retained the consulting firm of Perkins+Will to lead the Eglinton West Planning and Streetscape Study based on the approved Environmental Assessment of an at-grade LRT. The objective of this study was to develop a streetscape and public realm plan (including a built form analysis), identify an appropriate built form and implementation strategy, including recommendations and opportunities for further studies and/or analysis if required.

Nearing the final stages of this study, in March 2020, Metrolinx announced the commencement/timeline for a fully grade-separated LRT, now referred as the "Eglinton Crosstown West Extension" which differs from the at-grade LRT that formed the basis of the Eglinton West Planning and Streetscape Study. This new transit line is to be an extension of the Eglinton Crosstown LRT and would include alignments that would be primarily underground, with some sections elevated (Jane Street and Scarlett Road) and at-grade Renforth/Commerce). It would include seven stops (Jane Street, Scarlett Road, Royal York Road, Islington Avenue, Kipling Avenue, Martin Grove Road, and Renforth/Commerce). The completion of this new transit infrastructure is targeted for 2025.

While the transit vision for this segment of Eglinton Avenue has changed, the study findings can still be applied to future work and analysis along this corridor, particularly in relation to potential Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) and siting of station facilities and tunnels. The study concluded that while *Mixed Use Areas* can accommodate more density, there is limited potential for significant growth and development or land use change in the corridor; existing mature woodlots should be retained and protected; and there is a need for streetscape improvements along this stretch of Eglinton Avenue West as well as enhancements to the street crossings. In addition, there are 5

potential cultural heritage landscapes and 19 buildings that have been identified as being significant mid-20<sup>th</sup> century modern buildings and are in need of further study.

This City-initiated Official Plan Amendment is required to redesignate two woodlots (along the Eglinton Avenue West corridor) municipally known as 4560 Eglinton Avenue West (including the abutting south parcel of land, municipally known as 4530 and 4600 Eglinton Avenue West) as well as 4760 Eglinton Avenue West. The lands that are municipally known as 4560 Eglinton Avenue West are currently designated *Neigbourhoods* whereas the lands that are municipally known as 4760 Eglinton Avenue West are currently designated *Apartment Neighbourhoods*. Both of these sites would be redesignated to *Parks and Open Space Areas - Natural Areas*. In addition, both woodlot lands would be added to Site and Area Specific Policy 265 whereby the provisions prohibiting the disposal of City owned land in the *Green Space System* or *Parks and Open Space Areas* do not apply.

Detailed information regarding the proposal, including background information and material and a copy of the proposed Official Plan Amendment may be obtained by contacting Sabrina Salatino, Senior Planner at 416-394-8025, or by e-mail at <u>Sabrina.Salatino@toronto.ca</u>.

## PURPOSE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Etobicoke York Community Council will receive input and review the study and recommendations and any other material placed before it, in order to make recommendations on this City-initiated Official Plan Amendment. These recommendations will then be forwarded to Toronto City Council for its consideration.

At this time, civic buildings are closed to the public. The meeting will take place by video conference and streamed live online. You can follow the meeting at <a href="http://www.youtube.com/TorontoCityCouncilLive">www.youtube.com/TorontoCityCouncilLive</a>.

Send written comments by email to <u>etcc@toronto.ca</u> or by mail to the address below. You can submit written comments up until City Council gives final consideration to the proposal.

If you want to address the Etobicoke York Community Council directly, please register by email to <u>etcc@toronto.ca</u> or by phone at 416-394-8101, no later than 12:00 p.m. on **May 14, 2021**. If you register we will contact you with instructions on connecting to the meeting.

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, contact the City Clerk's Office, City Clerk, Attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator, Etobicoke York Community Council, 100 Queen Street West, 2nd Floor, Toronto, ON M5H 2N2, Phone: 416-394-8101, Fax: 416-392-2980, e-mail: etcc@toronto.ca.

The Etobicoke York Community Council may request you to file an outline of your presentation with the Clerk.

**Special Assistance**: City Staff can arrange for special assistance with some advance notice. If you need special assistance, please call 416-394-8101, TTY 416-338-0889 or e-mail <u>etcc@toronto.ca</u>.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Given that the amendments listed in this Notice regulate the use of lands at several locations, within the geographic boundaries of the City of Toronto, a key map has not been provided with this notice.

**If you wish to be notified** of the decision of the City of Toronto on the proposed City-initiated Official Plan Amendment, you must make a written request to the City Clerk attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator, Etobicoke York Community Council, at the address, fax number or e-mail set out in this notice.

**City-initiated Official Plan Amendment Appeal:** If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the City of Toronto to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the City of Toronto before the proposed City-initiated Official Plan Amendment is adopted or refused, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision and may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal there are reasonable grounds to do so. You may submit comments to the City Clerk, attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator, Etobicoke York Community Council, at the address, fax number or e-mail set out in this notice.

**People writing or making presentations at the public meeting:** The *City of Toronto Act, 2006*, the *Planning Act*, and the City of Toronto Municipal Code authorize the City of Toronto to collect any personal information in your communication or presentation to City Council or its committees.

The City collects this information to enable it to make informed decisions on the relevant issue(s). If you are submitting letters, faxes, e-mails, presentations or other communications to the City, you should be aware that your name and the fact that you communicated with the City will become part of the public record and will appear on the City's website. The City will also make your communication and any personal information in it - such as your postal address, telephone number or e-mail address - available to the public, unless you expressly request the City to remove it.

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Dated at the City of Toronto on April 21, 2021.

John D. Elvidge City Clerk