REimagining Yonge Street Environmental Assessment
(Sheppard Avenue to Finch Avenue)

Yonge Street is the central transportation corridor and pedestrian promenade within North York Centre, one of four centres in the City focused on transit-based employment and residential growth. Inconsistent urban features, from sidewalks, crossings, and medians, to the lack of dedicated cycling facilities present challenges. The City of Toronto is carrying out a study that will evaluate opportunities to improve the streetscape and public realm along Yonge Street from Sheppard Avenue to Finch Avenue.

Thank you to everyone who attended the first Public Open House on May 25, 2016. We invite you to attend a Design Charrette to collaborate with the project team on identifying a preferred alternative solution and developing design alternatives for Yonge Street.

Please note that the same information will be available at both events. Attendees are encouraged to choose one event to attend.

Thursday, June 9, 2016
Time: Drop in 4:30pm - 8:00pm
Place: Spring Garden Church
112 Spring Garden Avenue (two blocks north of Sheppard Ave.)

OR

Saturday, June 11, 2016
Time: Drop in 10:00am - 1:30pm
Place: St. George on Yonge Anglican Church
5350 Yonge Street

What is a Design Charrette?
A Design Charrette is a planning and design session where the project team, stakeholders, and the community come together to discuss the project and collaborate on a vision for the plan. The collaborative environment of a Design Charrette encourages discussion and participation.

During the Design Charrette, participants will:
- Review the existing conditions along Yonge Street (from Sheppard Avenue to Finch Avenue)
- Review the alternative solutions for Yonge Street and collaborate with the project team on identifying a preferred alternative
- Engage in design activities to help create a vision for Yonge Street, which will inform the development of design alternatives
- Speak with the project team and other participants
What will be discussed?
The following opportunities will be discussed at the Design Charrette:

- Adding street trees, lighting, and street furniture
- Adding bike lanes or cycle tracks on Yonge Street
- The future of the landscaped median
- Enhancing sidewalks and boulevard widths
- Integrating adjacent parks and public open spaces
- Improving pedestrian crossing facilities
- Re-configuring right-of-way and traffic lanes
- Improving safety for all users

What is an environmental assessment?
The study is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act and will provide opportunities for public input at key stages. An environmental assessment is a planning and decision-making process that is used to assess changes to public infrastructure.

We would like to hear from you:
If you have questions, please contact us. If you are unable to attend the Design Charrette, you will be able to view the materials online and submit feedback until June 27, 2016.

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