

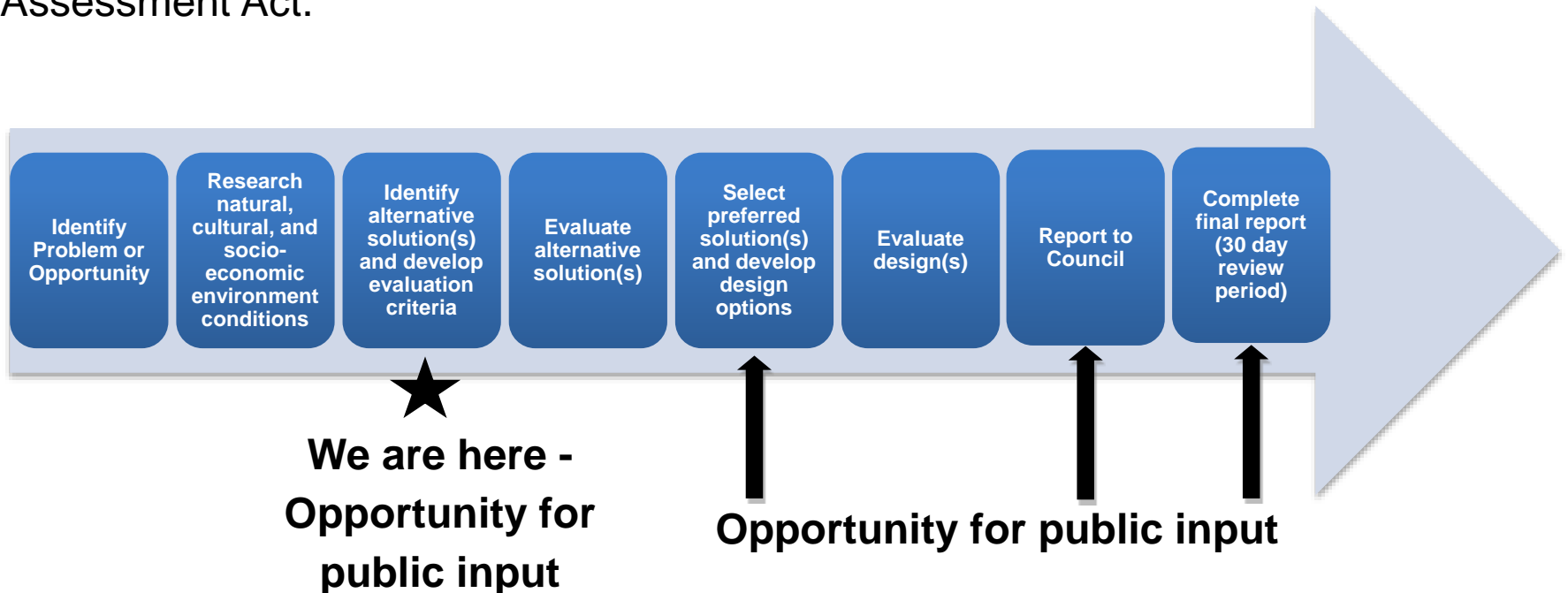
Welcome

St. Clair Avenue West Area
Transportation Master Plan

Public Information Centre 1
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Study Process

This Transportation Master Plan is being carried out according to the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process. This is an approved assessment approach for municipal infrastructure projects under the provincial Environmental Assessment Act.



Problem and Opportunity Statement

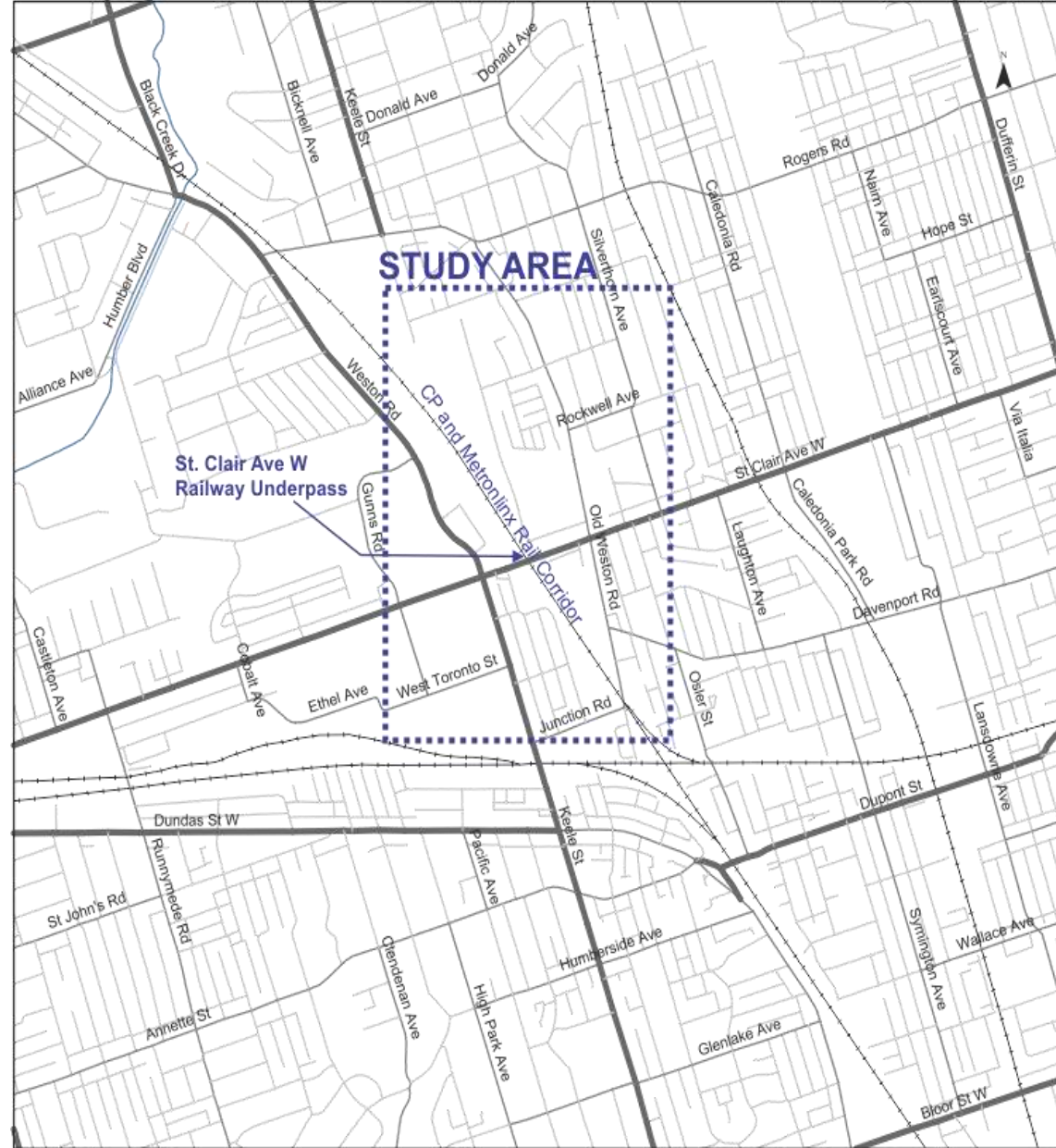
The north/south rail corridor in the vicinity of St. Clair Avenue West between Keele Street and Old Weston Road limits east/west movement for cyclists, pedestrians and vehicles. This results in issues of congestion and connectivity.

The Transportation Master Plan will evaluate alternatives to improve movement using existing and potential new road connections for the benefit of all modes of travel.



Study Area

The alternatives being studied are located within this area. There may be secondary effects beyond the study area, and these will be considered as well.



Challenges

- Rail bridge – built in 1931;
- Traffic impacts that may result from the bridge replacement construction;
- No continuous east-west cycling connections in the study area;
- Accommodating the travel demands created by potential and ongoing developments in and around the study area;
- Potential rail station;
- Property impacts; and
- Need to minimize impacts to GO rail and UP express services.

Benefits

- Better east/west connectivity;
- Safer more pleasant environment;
- Pedestrian lighting;
- New sidewalks;
- New bike lanes; and
- Less overall vehicle delay.



Alternatives

A number of new roads and road expansions are being considered, primarily:

- 1) Widening St. Clair Avenue West ;
- 2) Extending Gunns Road from Weston Road to Union Street;
- 3) Connecting Davenport Road to Lloyd Avenue;
- 4) Extending Keele Street south to meet the Gunns Road extension between Weston Road and Union Street; and
- 5) Extending Davenport Road to Union Street and Implementation of Alternative 4.



Evaluation Process and Criteria

Each alternative will be assessed based on its impacts on the following factors:

- Socio-Economic Environment
- Natural Environment
- Cultural Environment
- Transportation
- Constructability
- Cost

Have we missed anything? Please provide your comments on the criteria.

*Your
feedback is
needed*

Implementation

- More than one alternative may be recommended
- A staged program of transportation improvements will be defined
- This program will be based on factors which include the impacts of construction staging, to ensure that people can continue to move safely and efficiently across the study area
- Another key factor is the increase in capacity relative to cost



Next Steps

After this PIC, the Project Team will:

- Review and respond to comments;
- Evaluate the alternative solutions and select the recommended plan;
- Meet with stakeholders, external agencies, and a technical advisory committee; and
- Prepare for a second public information meeting in 2016 and report back to the community with the recommendation.

Your Input is Vital

- We welcome you to provide comments during the Open House portion of the evening
- Project team members are available to answer questions
- Contact information is provided on the display boards
- Provide your feedback using a comment form, or online at: www.toronto.ca/stclairwesttmp

Thank you for attending!