STUDY AREA

Bloor Street East Streetscape Improvement

Rosedale Ravine Lands

Pedestrian Tunnel Under Bloor St

North St. James Town Development

Glen Road Pedestrian Bridge Class Environmental Assessment
STUDY AREA
Municipal Class EA: Schedule C project given the age of the structure (+40 years); cultural heritage value potential

A cultural heritage evaluation report was completed:
• heritage significance found in crossing; views from the valley

Extensive consultation with area Councillors; community stakeholders
• Community Walk-shop - June 2016,
• Notice of Commencement and Public Information Centre - September 2016

RFP scope was revised to include pedestrian tunnel – Fall 2016
Based on the results of the EA and technical analysis completed to date, the preliminary recommendations are to:

- **Replace the Bridge in same location**; and
- **Replace and Reconstruct a Wider Tunnel** to the west.

These recommendations:

- Address the condition of the bridge and concerns about security
- Maintain the cultural heritage value and connections to active transportation and transit facilities
- Provide opportunities for urban design improvements
- Add capacity for growth in pedestrian and cyclist traffic
NEXT STEPS

• Design Review Panel (#1 Review) – July 18, 2017

• Public Information Centre #2 – September 26, 2017

• Toronto Preservation Board – Fall 2017

• Finalize Environmental Study Report; 30-day Public Review Period – late Fall 2017

• Detailed Design – 2018 / 2019

• Design Review Panel (#2 Review)

• Construction – 2019 / 2020
BACKGROUND

View from the south end of bridge, looking north to Glen Rd / Dale Ave
BACKGROUND

View of vehicular bridge looking south

View on pedestrian bridge looking south
BACKGROUND

Tunnel construction underway (1964)

View from Glen Road looking north to tunnel and TTC entrance
BACKGROUND

View of bridge looking south (1951)

View on bridge looking south
View from Rosedale Valley Road looking east
BRIDGE

View from mid-bridge looking south

View from north abutment looking south
TUNNEL

View from Glen Road south looking north to tunnel

View from mid-tunnel looking north

View looking north to tunnel
NORTH APPROACH

View from Glen Road north looking south to bridge approach

View of north bridge approach looking south
SOUTH APPROACH

View from bridge to south approach and tunnel

View from tunnel looking north to bridge
BLOOR STREET EAST

View from north side of Bloor Street East looking north

View from north side of Bloor Street East looking west
BLOOR STREET EAST

View from south side of Bloor Street East looking west

View from south side of Bloor Street East looking to tunnel and TTC entrance.
PROPOSED CONCEPTS
EXISTING - ROSEDALE VALLEY

View from Rosedale Valley Road looking east
PROPOSED BRIDGE CONCEPT

Overall view from Rosedale Valley Road looking west
BRIDGE DECK

View from north side of bridge looking south
BRIDGE DECK AT NIGHT

View from north side of bridge looking south at night
TUNNEL CONCEPT

View from tunnel looking north to bridge
TUNNEL CONCEPT

View from Glen Road looking north to tunnel
NORTH APPROACH

Planter and plaque location to be determined

Opportunity to increase sightlines to be determined
NORTH APPROACH

View from Glen Road looking south to north bridge approach
SOUTH APPROACH – BRIDGE MEETS TUNNEL

Existing stairs

Tunnel

Existing TTC entry
SOUTH APPROACH

View from tunnel looking north to south approach of bridge
DETAILED DESIGN (POST EA)
INPUT FROM PANEL

• Does the Panel have any advice about urban design elements that could be considered to enhance/address heritage values, and context and views to/from Rosedale Valley?

• How can the relationship between the proposed bridge and the existing context (North and South Approaches) be enhanced?

• What design features could be used for the tunnel and its approaches to create a sense of space and a sense of place in relation to the bridge and surrounding area?
CONCEPTS OVERVIEW