

Midtown in Focus Building a Liveable Yonge-Eglinton Open House 10 February 2018



Existing Context





Final Deliverables



UPDATED SECONDARY **INFRASTRUCTURE** ASSESSMENTS PLAN * 👘 📃 F





Proposed Secondary Plan

What is a Secondary Plan?

- Part of the Toronto Official Plan
- Provides local policies tailored specifically for areas experiencing growth or change
- Applies City-wide Official Plan policies to the local context with more detail
- Sets the pattern of growth, land use and intensity of activities in a local area
- Identifies how local infrastructure can be improved
- Local direction regarding affordable housing, environmental and economic objectives and more



Proposed Secondary Plan



- A tailored, comprehensive plan to shape and manage growth over the coming decades and ensure a complete, liveable community
- Provides clarity, certainty and detailed direction for a complex area
- Recognizes the diversity of communities within the area with varying levels of intensity
- Links future growth to the provision of infrastructure and community services/facilities





Proposed Secondary Plan



- 1. Interpretation
- 2. Vision
- 3. General
- 4. Character Areas
- 5. Implementation

3.1 Growth and Infrastructure
3.2 Parks and Public Realm
3.3 Built Form
3.4 Land Use
3.5 Community Services and Facilities
3.6 Housing
3.7 Transportation
3.8 Resiliency



1 VISION

4 OBJECTIVES Complete Community Green and Resilient Connected Inclusive and Prosperous



Linking Growth and Infrastructure



- Clear policy direction that growth and intensification will be as set out in the Secondary Plan
- Fundamental principle that growth must be linked to the provision of infrastructure and community services/facilities
- Maintaining and reinforcing the stability of Neighbourhoods



Parks and Public Realm



- Maintaining policy direction from 1st phase of Midtown in Focus
- Extending public realm vision to Davisville area and Yonge St. North
 - Six additional public realm moves
- Enhanced direction on sidewalks, mid-block connections and POPS



- Land first parkland strategy
- Advancing a Parks Plan in coordination with City-wide Parkland Strategy
- Identification of opportunity sites:
 - Expansion opportunities of existing parks and open spaces
 - Creation of new parks to address parkland deficiencies and gaps
 - Leveraging City-owned land
- Study decking over subway corridor and part of Davisville Yards





- Policies and maps identifying development potential, appropriate locations for tall buildings and maximum height limits
- Policy direction on separation distances, floor plates, tower stepbacks, open space area ratio and orientation
- Tall building setbacks adjacent to schoolyards
- Sun protection for key parks and school yard and maximizing sunlight on all other parks and open spaces













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Growth Estimates









Land Use



- Recognition of the importance of **diversity of uses** in Midtown in appropriate locations
- Office replacement and expansion and identification of office priority areas
- Development criteria for at-grade / retail spaces on priority and secondary retail streets



Community Services & Facilities



- Prioritizing needs identified in the CS&F Assessment
- Criteria for the appropriate design and location of new and expanded community facilities
- No-net-loss of community space through development
- Requiring the **on-site provision** of community services and facilities as appropriate



Housing



- Requirements for larger units for families / larger households
- Increasing affordable housing stock for renters and owners



Transportation



- Transportation Assessment advancing focused and area-wide improvements
- Prioritizing active transportation and transit
- Identifying local pedestrian and cycling network connections
- Right-of-way widening on Davisville Avenue





Resiliency



- Integration of green and 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

Character Areas



- Vision statement for each character area
- Detailed development direction tailored to the local context
- · Heights, massing, transition, setbacks, land use and more





Character Areas



Park Street Loop (example)



Character Areas

- Development potential/heights per the Secondary Plan maps
- 30 metre separation distance between towers to preserve skyview
- Definition of base building heights (4 storeys) to maintain character
- Setbacks at grade (7.5m or 5.0m) consistent with OPA 289
- 9 metre tower stepbacks from base buildings
- Direction to ensure **animation/activity** at the pedestrian level
- Tower orientation to maximize sunlight on the public realm
- 55:45 open space area ratio to buildings to maintain sense of openness/spaciousness and skyview
- On-site parkland dedication adjacent to the Park Street Loop

Park Street Loop (example)

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Implementation



- Tailored Section 37 approach based on density for consistency and predictability
 - Priority benefits: community infrastructure and public realm improvements
- Holding provisions for infrastructure, office replacement and other matters

Area Structure + Boundaries

- Recommending revisions to Urban Growth Centre boundary to align with character areas
- Advancing new measures to conform with Growth Plan 2017 Major Transit Station Areas
- Growth Plan requires municipalities to delineate MTSAs in a manner that maximizes the number of potential users





Other Proposed Amendments

- Proactively aligning **land use designations** to reflect Character Area boundaries and prevailing lot fabric
- Revisions to the Secondary Plan area

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Next Steps



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- Consultation
 - Comments by February 24th
 - Preparing Final Secondary Plan and Parks Plan and finalizing Infrastructure Assessments

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May: Final Report to PGMC and Council

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