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#### A Complex Built-up Environment with Significant Development Pressure

#### Context

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## **2nd Highest**

growth area in the City ~25

applications currently under review

## 19,000+ units

approved and under review

#### 625

people and jobs/ha in the Urban Growth Centre today

# 62K people and 33K jobs

currently in the Secondary Plan area

## Context

## +150%

#### increase in the intensity of residential units

## 0%

#### growth in employment since 1991



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## Existing + Approved Development

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## **Applications Under Review**

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### Enhanced direction is needed to inform development review and retain character

## **Key Challenges**

## **Process + Consultation**



4 Major Public Consultation Events

7 Midtown Planning Group Meetings

**3** Land Owner and Developer Meetings 96,000 Notices Mailed

**12** Planners in Public Spaces Events

**1,835** People Engaged at Public Consultation Events

## **10,000** Website Visits



## **Official Plan Framework in Brief**

## **INFRASTRUCTURE** 1 VISION -**TO SUPPORT GROWTH**

A framework to guide growth and ensure infrastructure is provided in lock-step with growth

- A comprehensive framework with direction for all elements of a complete, liveable community
  - Guidance for the near, medium + longer terms to set clear expectations for what's to come and needed in the area
- Detailed, locally-specific direction to guide orderly development and set the stage to update zoning

## **Official Plan Framework in Brief**





## **Recommended Official Plan Framework**



## Amendments to the Parent **OP**

2.2.2 Centres Map 3 - ROW widths Map 17 - Land Use Site and Area **Specific Policies** 



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YONGE-EGLINTON SECONDARY PLAN

## **New Secondary** Plan



**Official Plan Framework by the Numbers** 



## ~12.5K new office jobs

## ~17 hectares

#### of new and expanded parkland over the long term

## ~350

average people and jobs per hectare in the Midtown Transit **Station Areas** 

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# Infrastructure to Support Growth



## Parks and Public Realm Plan



2014 Streets, Parks + Open Space Master Plan



Davisville Public Realm



#### Parks + Open Space Network Plan



## Parks and Public Realm Plan



#### Create New and Expanded Parks and Open Spaces

Treasure and Enhance our Parks and Open Spaces

#### Share our Parks and Open Spaces

#### Connect our Parks and Open Spaces

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## **Community Services and Facilities Strategy**



- Midtown CS&F Strategy identifies priority community space and facility needs
- Identified priorities will inform development review and capital planning
- Strategic directions
  - Reinvest in and maximize the use of existing public assets 0
  - Identify innovative and integrated service delivery models to address needs in Ο a mature urban context
  - Pursue partnerships and co-location opportunities Ο
  - Ensure new space and facilities keep pace with growth Ο
  - Link capital planning and funding tools to identified CSF priorities 0

### **Schools**

Additional elementary school capacity is needed in the near term. New school space needed in the long term and to be secured in mixed-use developments, expansion of existing schools where possible or new school sites.



### **Community Recreation Centres (CRC)**

Priority of advancing Davisville CRC. Additional CRC needed in the longer term. To be monitored through five-year reviews of Facilities Master Plan



#### Child Care

City goal of serving 50% of existing population aged 0-4. Continued growth will require 900 and 1,400 new licensed child care spaces



#### Libraries

**Continued improvements to Northern District Library and exploring opportunities** to replace the Mount Pleasant Library



#### **Human Services**

Need for affordable, secure, accessible and adequate spaces for the delivery of a wide variety of programs

## **Transportation Assessment**

- Key Infrastructure and Directions
  - Increase employment uses in Midtown
  - Improve transit access to Downtown in the immediate term
  - Improve cycling network in Midtown and to the Downtown
  - Provide more space and more routes to enhance local walking network
  - Explore innovative Transportation Demand Management strategies
  - Review space allocation for parking in ROWs



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## **Municipal Servicing Assessment**



- Some upgrades required to address existing deficiencies. Additional capital upgrades required for all municipal services to support future growth
- The required capital upgrades address different problem areas. Recommended measures include, among others:
  - upgrades/replacements of existing storm and combined sewers;
  - incorporation of green infrastructure;
  - constructing new watermains to increase network capacity; and
  - future buildings should be constructed to address fire flow issues.

## **Infrastructure Implementation Strategies**



- Recommending preparation of **Infrastructure Implementation Strategies** to address identified gaps and scope priority projects
- Work with partner divisions and agencies to define scope, feasibility, initial costing and timing of priority infrastructure investments
- Ensure priorities are incorporated into the **10-year Capital Plan** and identify the anticipated timing for other required infrastructure
- Provision of infrastructure will be **monitored and reported to Council every five** years

# **TRANSPORTATION**





# A Tailored Toolbox to Manage Growth

## **Recommended Secondary Plan**

1. Vision Area Structure 2. 3. Parks + Public Realm 4. Mobility **Built Form** 5. **Community Services + Facilities** 6. 7. Housing 8. Resilience 9. Making It Happen 10. Interpretation



## 4 GOALS Complete Community Green and Resilient Connected Prosperous





## **Character Areas**





# Midtown Apartment Neighbourhoods









- Emphasizes that the Urban Growth Centre is a place for wealth creation and culture, not just residential intensification
- Introduces new policy tools to establish where growth is appropriate and intensity of development as a response to increasing pressures
- Growth linked to the provision
  of infrastructure and defines
  infrastructure

#### **Midtown Transit Station Areas**



## Managing Growth



## A Vibrant Mix of Uses and Growing Employment



- Identifies land use designations and clarifies permitted uses tailored to achieve the desired character of areas
- Prioritizes office, institutional and cultural uses in key areas Mixed Use Areas A and B - to achieve a net employment gain by establishing minimum requirements and 100% office replacement
- Requires narrow frontage retail uses at grade on key streets, protects for retail on other streets and restricts retail stores over 3,500m<sup>2</sup>

#### **Retail Streets**





- Incorporates the policies from the 2015 Official Plan Amendment (OPA 289) and introduces six new Public Realm Moves for the Davisville area
- Includes the Parks and Open Space Network Plan to direct public and private efforts for parkland improvements and acquisitions
- Consolidation of parkland and connectivity between parks to create an open space network with improved programming potential
- Signals a new alternative requirement for parkland dedication at rates commensurate with the intensity of development in Midtown
- Prioritizes on-site and off-site parkland dedications
- Includes specific policies for the provision of parks and use of parkland dedications

#### Parks and Public Realm

## Midtown Mobility Network

- A well-connected and integrated network of streets, laneways, mid-block connections and multi-use trails that will provide a variety of safe and sustainable travel choices to:
  - improve mobility and 0 accessibility for people of all ages and abilities
  - accommodate a range of activities, including transit service and goods delivery
  - balance the essential roles of Ο streets as **movement corridors** and civic spaces
- Additional policies addressing travel demand management and parking





- Appropriate conservation of heritage resources per the Official Plan policies
- Acknowledges that further sculpting of buildings may be required for development on or adjacent to properties with cultural heritage value
- Identifies additional properties with cultural heritage potential based on the Cultural Heritage Resource Assessment undertaken as part of the Study

#### **Cultural Heritage Potential**



Secondary Plan Boundary



Properties with Potential Cultural Heritage Value



Proposed Glebe Manor Estates HCD Study Area



Kay Gardner Beltine Bridge

#### **Cultural Heritage Resources**







#### Midtown Low-rise

Buildings up to a maximum of four storeys in height and may consist of a variety of residential and nonresidential buildings



#### Midtown Mid-rise

Buildings with a range of maximum permitted building heights of between five to ten storeys with consideration of a range of objectives



#### Midtown Tall Buildings

Buildings that exceed the maximum low- or mid-rise heights in the respective Character Area

## **Permitted Building Types**



#### **Midtown Infill**

Consists of new development on a site with an existing building to remain, or an addition to an existing building



- Areas where planned context includes low-rise intensification up to four storeys to contribute to the diversity of housing in the area
- Includes townhouses, walk-up apartments, main street buildings and low-rise institutional buildings with different typologies permitted in different areas
- Directions to ensure:
  - appropriate relationship to neighbouring sites
  - integration with the Public Realm Moves
  - generous facing distances between units
  - relationship with public streets and mid-block connections for eyes on the street and high-quality streetscapes



#### Midtown Low-rise



- Tailored urban design standards to reflect distinguishing features and Character Area-specific site design standards
- Reflects two types of mid-rise buildings found in Midtown:
  - Main street
  - Pavilion style
- Key objectives are to ensure:
  - maintaining historic two-storey streetwall condition
  - good proportion between buildings
  - consistent high standards for sunlight on the public realm
  - transition to low-rise areas
- Flexibility provided in key areas subject to meeting criteria





#### Midtown Mid-rise

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## Midtown Tall Buildings



- Enables building renewal and achievement of public realm objectives
- Allows for low to modest infill development on sites that have not had prior infill development
- Provides direction tailored to address the diverse conditions in Midtown and achieve positive outcomes e.g:
  - Wind mitigation
  - Improved amenities
  - Maintaining open space at grade
- Generally allows for low- and mid-rise buildings across all sites and limited potential for tall building additions
- Urban design standards will ensure high quality development that reflects area character



Low-rise Additions

## **Midtown Infill Development**

New Low- or Mid-rise Buildings

## **Permitted Building Types and Height Limits Maps**



## Shaping Built Form (2041+)

The built form will contribute to a compact, transit-supportive built form, transition, a diversity of housing forms, the skyline of Midtown, the character of particular areas and a sunny and comfortable public realm



## **Inclusive + Complete Communities**



- Requires larger units (2 & 3 bedrooms) to keep and attract families to Midtown
- Inclusionary zoning policies will be brought forward to address affordable housing citywide in early 2019
- Addresses growth-related community service facilities priorities for five sectors including child care, recreation, libraries, schools and human services
- Requires timely provision of community service facilities commensurate with growth
- Ensures no loss of community space through development





- Encourages retention of City-owned lands to address Plan priorities
- Identifies the need to complete Infrastructure Implementation Strategies
- Requires **Context Plans** to ensure orderly development and expands on requirements
- Provides detailed direction for Public Benefits (e.g Section 37) for predictability and transparency
- Allows for the use of **Holding** provisions
- Enables the City to secure public access for POPs, mid-block connections etc.
- Requires **Construction Management Plans** be submitted during development review
- Identifies the need for Transportation Certification reports

## Making It Happen



# Next Steps



## **Recommended Follow-on Work**

- Initiate a zoning review for Midtown's Character Areas
- Complete a Heritage Conservation District Study for the Glebe Manor Estates and prepare heritage guidelines/best practices for the Midtown Villages
- Advance preparation of a by-law to amend municipal code and enact an alternative parkland requirement for Midtown
- Undertake feasibility studies of decking subway trench and decking and redeveloping Davisville Yard
- Undertake a study of multi-modal access between Midtown and Downtown, including priority transit and cycling corridors
- Undertake an on-street parking review
- Prepare Infrastructure Implementation Strategies for:
  - Parks and Public Realm 0
  - CS&F
  - Municipal Servicing Ο
  - Transportation-related infrastructure Ο



# Planning + Growth Management Committee June 7, 2018

# 10:30 a.m., or as soon as possible thereafter Committee Room 1, 2nd Floor City Hall, 100 Queen Street West

