



# **Centennial Park Master Plan Review**

**Public Meetings and Hikeshop**

Saturday May 4 2019

Centennial Park Ski Chalet

# Agenda

## Morning Session

10:30 Welcome and Registration/Open House

10:45 Presentation

11:00 Stations - Feedback

- Park Priorities
- Identify Strengths, Challenges and Opportunities
- Share a Centennial Story

12:00

Adjourn



# Agenda

## **‘Jane’s Hikes’**

1:00 – 2:30

Hike, Learn and Share

HIKESHOP VIDEO 1



HIKESHOP VIDEO 2



# Agenda

## Afternoon Session

3:00 Welcome and Registration/Open House

3:15 Presentation

3:30 Stations - Feedback

- *Park Priorities*
- *Identify Strengths, Challenges and Opportunities*
- *Share a Centennial Story*

4:00 Adjourn

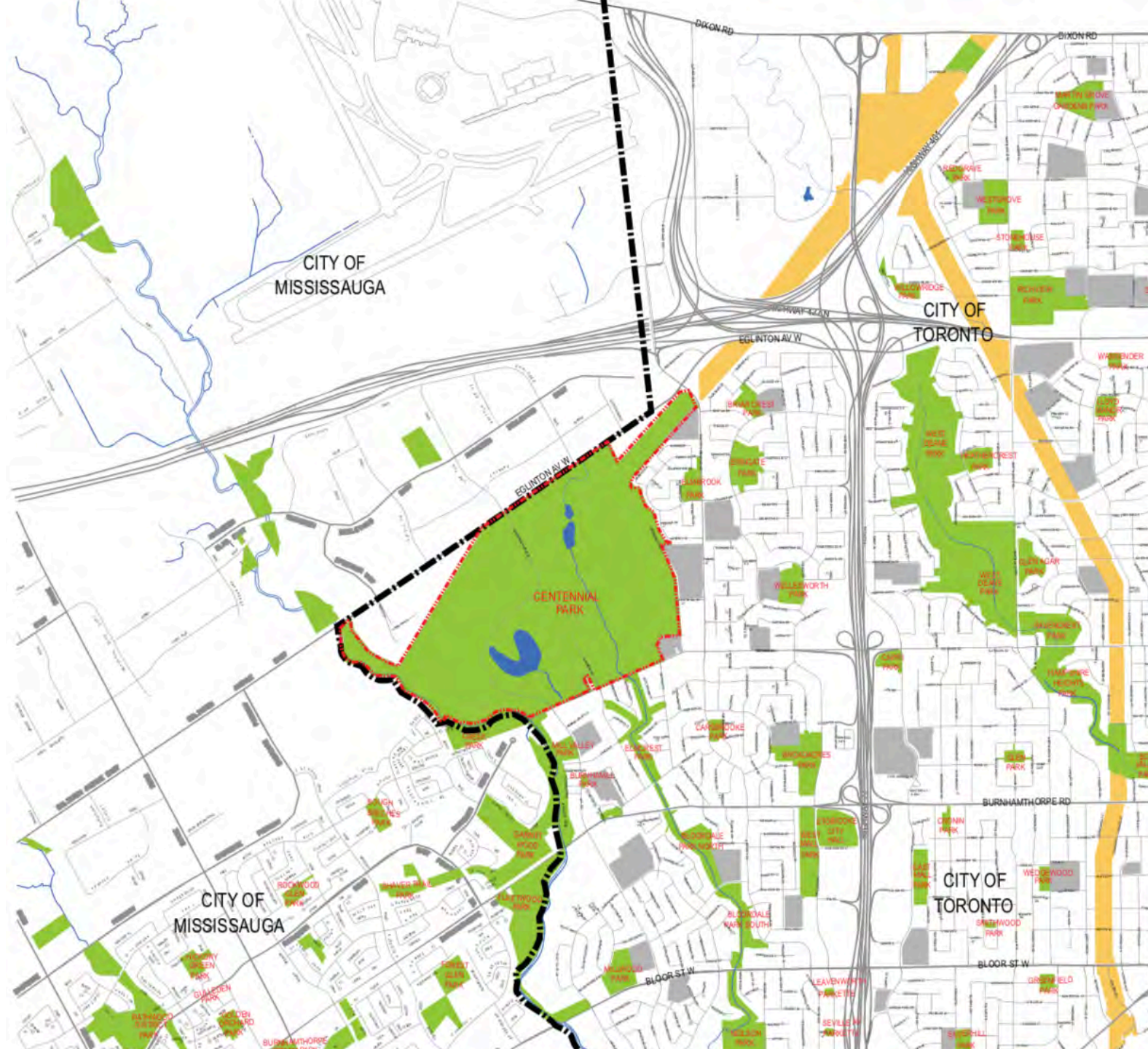
**Who are we?**

**Who are you?**

**Who's missing?**



# Centennial Park





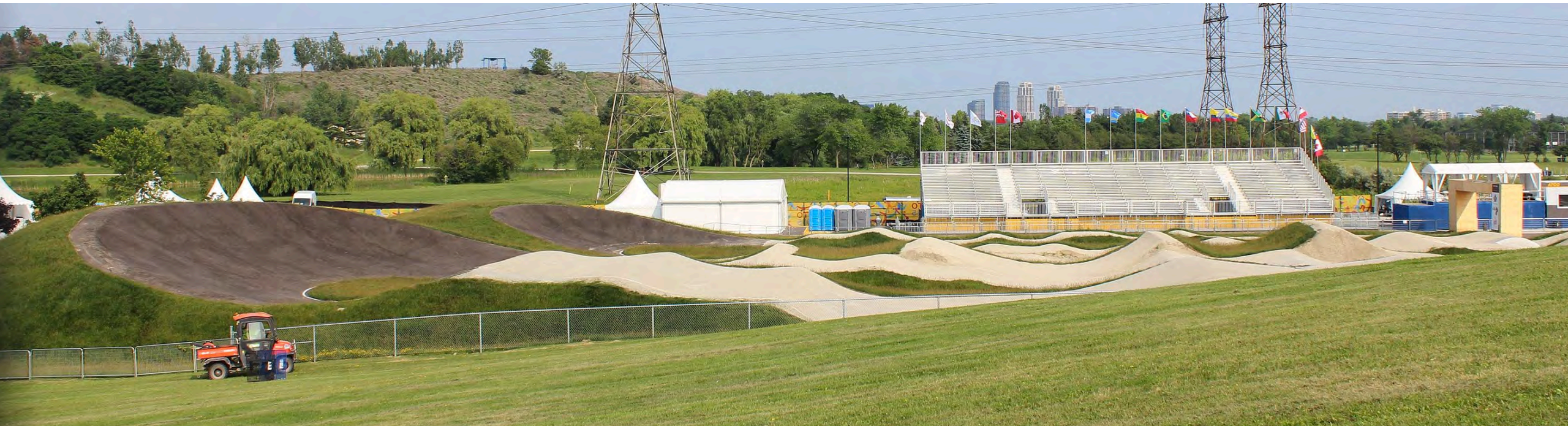
# What is a Master Plan?

A Master Plan is a dynamic and long-term planning document that provides a vision, objectives and implementable action items to guide decision making for the ongoing improvements and management of parks.

# **Centennial Park Master Plan Review Project**

# Centennial Park Master Plan Review

- 2019 - City gathering feedback to understand:
  - Currently, what is and is not working well at Centennial Park?
  - What has changed since stakeholders and the public were last consulted (2008)?



# Centennial Park Master Plan Review Consultation + Engagement

## Who?

- Councillor + Council
- Internal Stakeholders
- Permit holders
- Local community

## How?



- Stakeholder Focus Group Sessions  
March 14/15/18 2019



- Permit holder event  
Saturday April 13 2019



- Public Meetings + Hikeshop  
Saturday May 4 2019



# What we have heard to date



## STRENGTHS

- **Location and scale**
- **Strong sense of place**
- **Active recreation**
- **Large scale events**
- **Natural environment**

## CHALLENGES + OPPORTUNITIES

- **Pathways, wayfinding and accessibility**
- **Ageing park infrastructure** (i.e., ski hill)
- **Communications/branding**
- **Playgrounds**
- **Consider year-round uses** and activities
- **Connect, protect, enhance natural areas**
- **Maintenance**, cleanliness and sports fields
- **Private and public partnerships**
- **Enhance safety**
- **Prioritize overall facility enhancement**

# Centennial Park in 2008

- Key challenges identified in 2008:
  - volume of park programming
  - user pressures
  - competing user interests
  - budget constraints
  - environmental protection + enhancement



# Centennial Park Master Plan

- Recreation trends have changed since Centennial Park was designed in 1962:
  - Improved accessibility,
  - Enhanced path system for walking, jogging, cycling and general fitness
  - Nature appreciation and wildlife viewing
  - Protection of Toronto's Natural Heritage System (Etobicoke Creek and the Centennial Park woodlots)





# 2008 Centennial Park Master Plan Overview





**What else are we  
considering today?**

# Facilities Master Plan

The Facilities Master Plan (FMP) includes a series of recommended facility projects that:

- Address current facility gaps;
- Respond to future facility needs that will arise due to population growth; and
- Reinvest in existing facilities.

Etobicoke specific items were identified:

- Community recreation centres and adequate access to facilities.

## Community Recreation Centres

- Fitness Rooms
- Gymnasiums
- Indoor Walking Tracks
- Multi-purpose Rooms
- Weight Rooms
- Specialized spaces such as indoor playgrounds



## Aquatics

- Indoor Pools
- Outdoor Pools
- Splash Pads / Wading Pools



## Ice

- Arenas
- Curling Rinks
- Outdoor Artificial Ice Rinks



## Sports Fields

- Ball (Softball, Baseball)
- Cricket
- Multi-use (Football, Rugby, etc.)
- Soccer



## Sports Courts

- Basketball
- Bike Parks
- Bocce
- Lawn Bowling
- Skateparks
- Tennis



## Other Outdoor Amenities

- Dog Off-Leash Areas
- Fieldhouses / Clubhouses
- Sports Bubbles



# Parkland Strategy

Draft Parkland Strategy principles:

- Expand
- Improve
- Connect
- Share

Etobicoke York Respondent Priorities:

- More and different types of Park Features
- Connections to natural areas
- Increased community use
- Protection of sensitive natural areas.





# Resilience and Climate Change

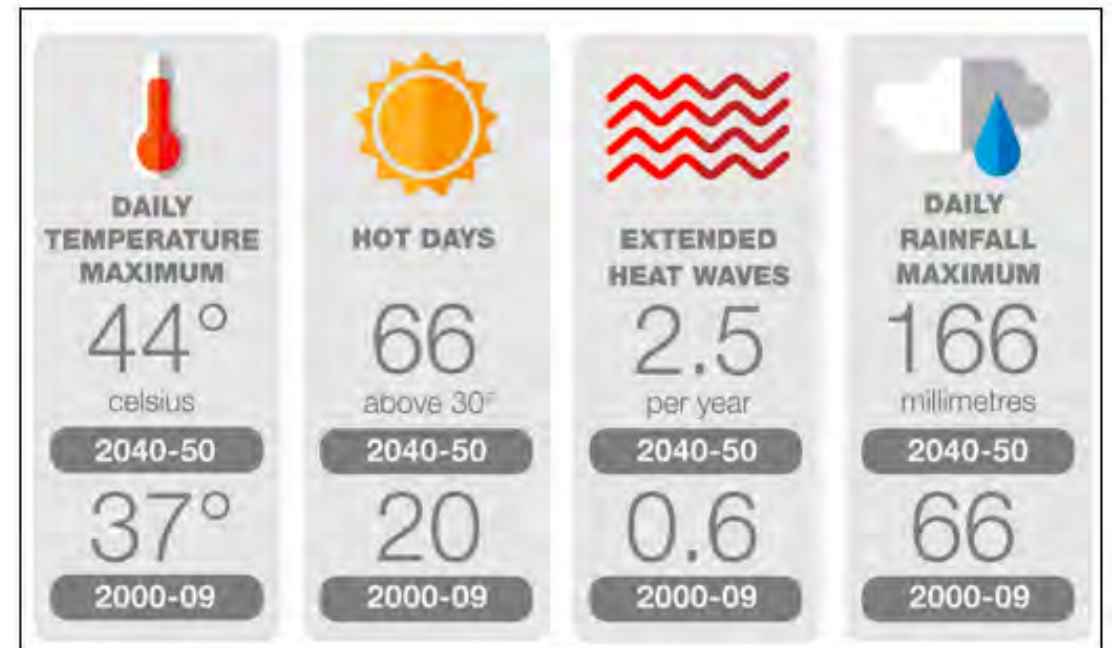
In Toronto, **stresses** identified:

- Poverty & social displacement
- Lack of affordable housing
- Traffic congestion & transit expansion
- Aging infrastructure
- Municipal financial sustainability

**Shocks** identified:

- Urban flooding
- Heat waves
- Blizzards/cold snap
- Interruption to energy supply
- Infrastructure failure
- Public health emergencies\
- Cyber attacks

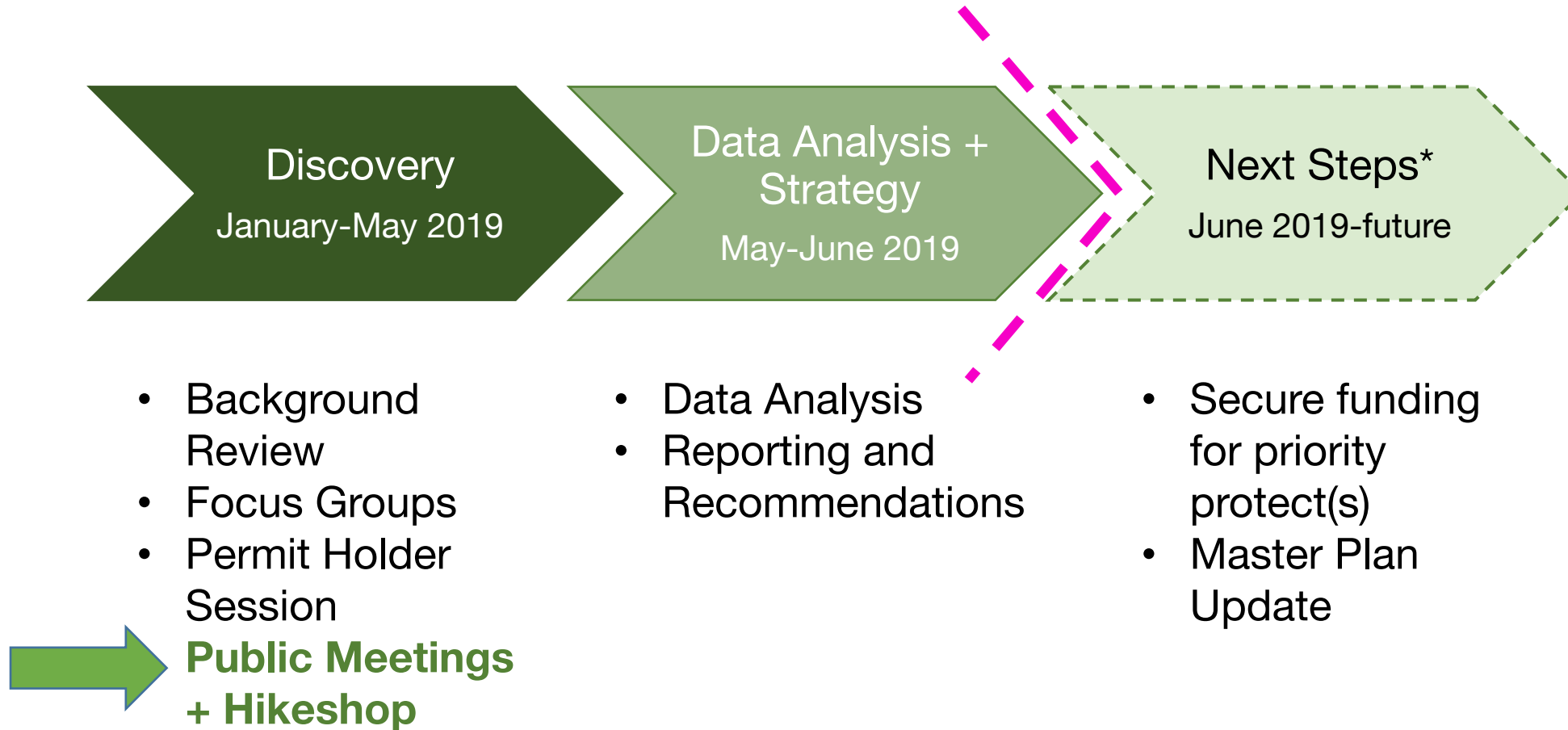
Resilience is “**the capacity** of individuals, communities, institutions, businesses, and systems within a city **to survive, adapt, and grow** no matter what kinds of **chronic stresses** and **acute shocks** they experience.”



How Toronto's climate could change by 2050



# Next Steps





# Questions?

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