

Port Union Road Widening Public Information Event



Land Acknowledgement

To commence this meeting we would like to first take a moment to acknowledge the land on which we are meeting. This land is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse Indigenous, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.



Tonight's Agenda

6:30 p.m. Welcome & Introductions

6:40 p.m. Presentation

7:10 p.m. Next Steps and Questions

8:00 p.m. Adjourn



Webex Basics: Laptop/Desktop

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Raise your Hand: Submit a Verbal Question

- Press the icon to raise your hand.
- If selected, the Facilitator will say your name and unmute you.
- After your question is asked, the Facilitator will put you back on mute.
- Press the icon again to put down your hand.



Open the Participants and Q&A Panels

- Press to toggle between opening and closing Participants and Q&A Panels
- Opened
- Closed



Q & A Box: Submit a Typed Question

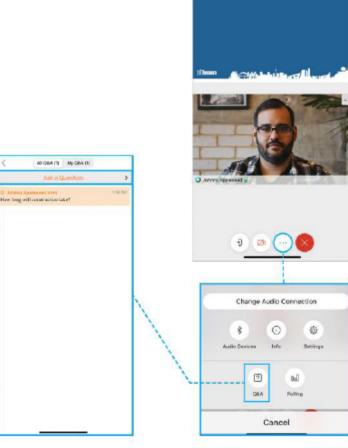
- Only staff will be able to see submitted questions.
- Ask questions to All Panelists.
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- Once a question is answered, it will become visible to all attendees.
- Please keep your question brief (below 250 characters).



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Webex Basics: Phone



- People who have called in can ask questions verbally.
 - To raise your hand virtually, dial *3.
- The Facilitator will see a hand up beside the first three digits of your phone number, alerting us that you would like to ask a question.
- During the Q&A periods, the Facilitator will unmute you and let you know that you can speak.
 - After your question has been answered, please dial *3 to put down your hand.



Code of Conduct

- **Be patient:** Virtual meetings don't always run as smoothly as planned.
- Be brief: Limit yourself to one question or comment when you are called on to speak.
- Be respectful: The City of Toronto is an inclusive public organization. Discriminatory, prejudicial or hateful comments and questions will not be tolerated and you will be removed from the meeting.



We want to hear from you – all questions are good questions!

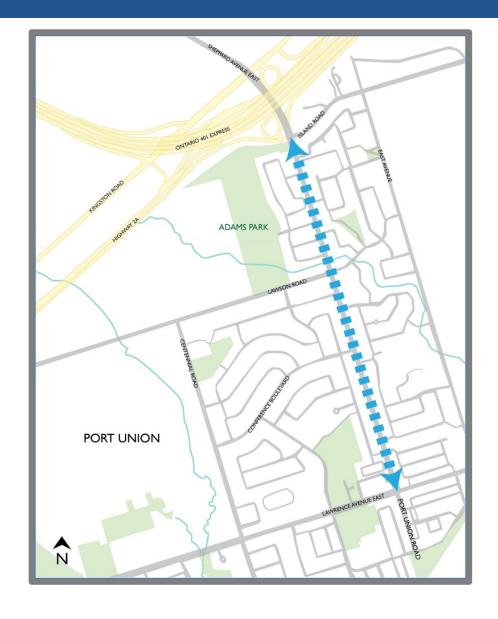
Please wait until the end of the presentation to ask your questions.

If we do not address your question, staff will follow up with you after the meeting.



Study Area Map

Port Union Road from Lawrence Avenue East to Island Road





Study Timeline – Historical

2004

Municipal Class EA
Completed: the proposed
design recommended an
additional northbound travel
lane, continuous bike lanes
along the corridor, among
other improvements

2016

Award of Preliminary and Detailed Design Services and Contract Administration

2014

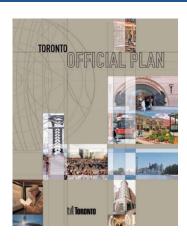
Environmental Assessment
Addendum: included
updated traffic analysis,
additional public meetings,
revised design to minimize
impact to properties, and
continuous sidewalks along
the corridor, among other
improvements

2017 – present

Detailed design, utility relocations, arborist report, acquiring easements, and contract tender



Policy and Rationale



THE OFFICIAL PLAN

Objectives:
Extending and altering the widths of pavement, sidewalk and other facilities as necessary

Make Toronto a "walking city" & bring all Toronto residents within 1km of a designated cycling route.



VISION ZERO ROAD SAFETY PLAN

Eliminating traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries on Toronto's streets by prioritizing safety of vulnerable road users.



COMPLETE STREETS

Streets are places where everyone should feel safe, comfortable and connected.



CYCLING NETWORK PLAN

Port Union Rd is a planned cycling route which will connect to bike lanes on Lawrence Ave E to the south, and bike lanes on Sheppard Ave E to the north.



Port Union Road Existing Conditions

- Traffic delays, especially in the PM peak period heading northbound to HWY 401
- Missing sections of sidewalks
- Narrow sidewalks
- No cycling infrastructure





Overview of Changes

- Widening of Port Union Road to allow a new northbound lane
- Centre-turn lanes
- Dedicated bike lanes in each direction
- New sidewalks on both sides of the street
- Updated street lighting and hydro poles





Port Union Road – Looking North





Port Union Road – Looking South



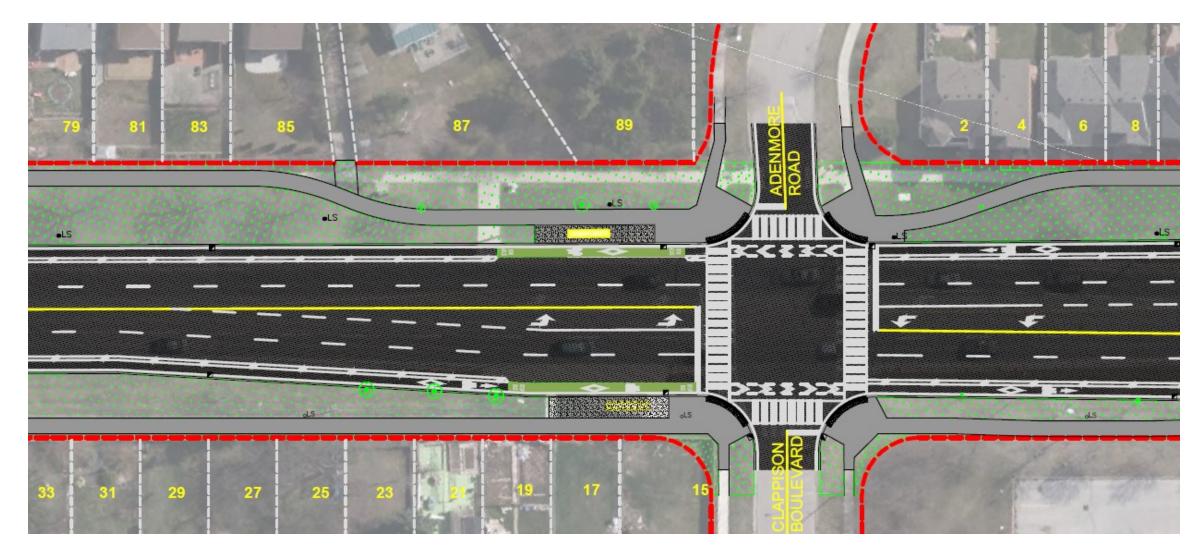


Typical Cross-section





Typical Cross-section cont.





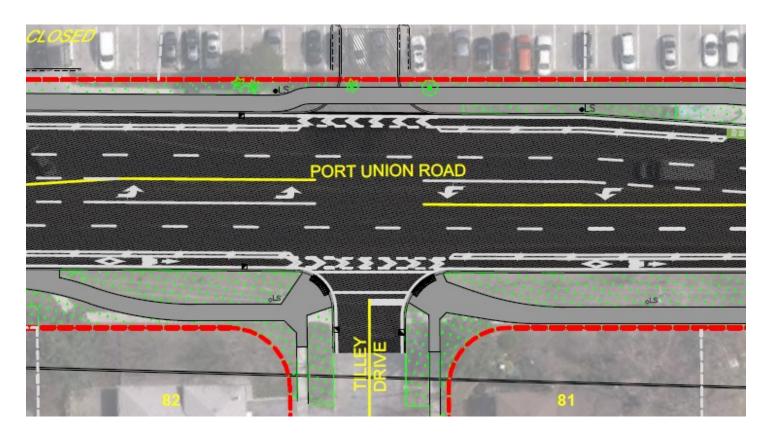
Centre-turn Lanes

Existing centre-turn lanes to remain

Northbound at Adams Gate Park Northbound at Rozell Road

Proposed centre-turn lanes

8 new centre-turn lanes are proposed to help with traffic flow and access to side streets and businesses





Bike Lanes

- Dedicated on-street bike lanes for the exclusive use of people cycling
- The bike lanes are 1.6m wide (not including 200mm for gutter)
- A 0.5m painted buffer will separate the cycling facility from motorists
- Span the entire length of proposed roadway (approximately 1.9km) in both directions
- Other road users may not lawfully drive, stand, or park in the bike lanes



Newly installed bike lanes on Lawrence Avenue East, just east of Port Union Road



Sidewalks

- New sidewalks will be added to create a continuous sidewalk (approximately 1.9km) in both directions
- Existing 1.5m sidewalk will be widened to 2.1m and will meet provincial standards for universal accessibility (AODA)
- The sidewalk will generally be separated from the bike lanes and roadway with a grass buffer area and curb



429 Port Union Road – Looking South



Toronto Transit Commission (TTC)

Bus Shelters

Existing bus shelters to be removed and updated at:

- Lawrence Ave. East & Port Union Road (northbound)
- Port Union Rd. and Conference Boulevard (southbound)
- Port Union Rd. and Clappison Boulevard (southbound)

Service During Construction

Bus service will be maintained during construction

Temporary bus pads will be provided as required

Bus Stops

Existing bus stop at Winter Gardens Trail on east side of Port Union Road to be relocated approximately 100 metres north





Tree Removals and Replacement

Tree Protection and Hoarding

- 212 trees will be protected during construction
- Wherever possible, trees will be protected in groups

Tree Removals

178 trees will require removal to accommodate the construction

Tree Replacement

- Planting at a one-for-one ratio
- All new native species to be planted in boulevard using a minimum of 15 cubic meters of soil per tree, where feasible. Where not feasible, trees to be planted within the study area

Protected Species

- 18 inventoried trees have been identified as Kentucky Coffetrees (Gymnocladus dioicus)
- 5 have been identified for removal



Project Timeline

July 2021

*Tender construction contract

October 2021

Contract Award and construction commences (hydro pole relocation)

November 2022

Construction complete **April 2023 – June 2023 finishing works, if required



Enbridge completes gas main relocation

April 2022

Road works begins

- * Schedule is contingent on the City securing all required property easements
- Tendering will be delayed until Oct 2021 Feb 2022 if property easements are not secured
- More construction details will be provided as pre-construction and construction notices are distributed to the affected areas
- ** Schedule is subject to weather conditions



What to Expect During Construction

Duration of Construction

Overhead Utility Relocation: October 2021 work commences.

Road Works: April 2022 – November 2022 (subject to securing of property easements & weather conditions)

Lane Restrictions

Traffic restricted to single lane in each direction during phases of the construction

Temporary Traffic Signals

Temporary traffic signals will be provided at existing signalized intersections

Property Access

Properties will remain accessible to pedestrians during construction at all times

Vehicle access to residential properties will be restricted for 72 hours following concrete sidewalk and curb installations

Residents will be notified one (1) week prior to commencement of concrete works

Driveways to commercial properties will be completed in stages to facilitate continuous access

Sod and Trees

New sod and trees will be planted following completion of road works in the fall of 2022 or Spring 2023 (finishing works subject to weather)



Next Steps

- Secure Property Easements and Approvals (in process)
- Enbridge and Utilities Relocation (in process)
- Tender the Project and Award a Contract
- Proceed with Construction



Questions?

If you have any questions please contact:



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