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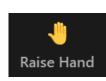
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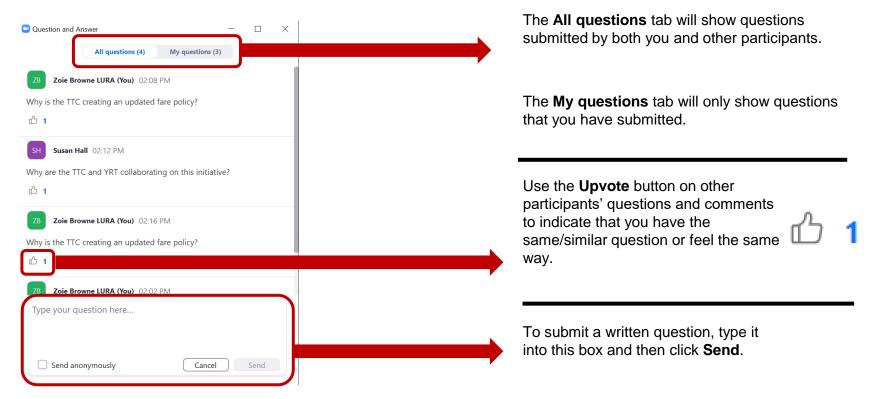
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Virtual Community Consultation #2 Summer 2021



Welcome & Land Acknowledgement

Chris Glaisek, Waterfront Toronto Eric Chu, Toronto Transit Commission



Opening Remarks

Councillor Cressy Ward 10, Spadina-Fort York



Introductions



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Agenda

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 - Overview
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 - Area 2A (Queens Quay East Street Design)
 - Area 2B (Queens Quay Extension and Cherry Street)
 - Phasing and Implementation
 - Transit Project Assessment Process
- 5. Q&A / Discussion Period
- 6. Next Steps



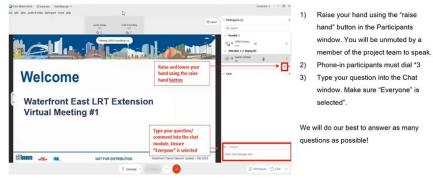
¹⁰ What we heard

December 2020 – March 2021

- ✓ Stakeholder Advisory Group meeting
- ✓ Land Use Advisory Group meeting
- ✓ Virtual Public Meeting 364 participants
- ✓ Online Questionnaire 488 submissions
- Focused Stakeholder meetings
- Meeting with representatives from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation



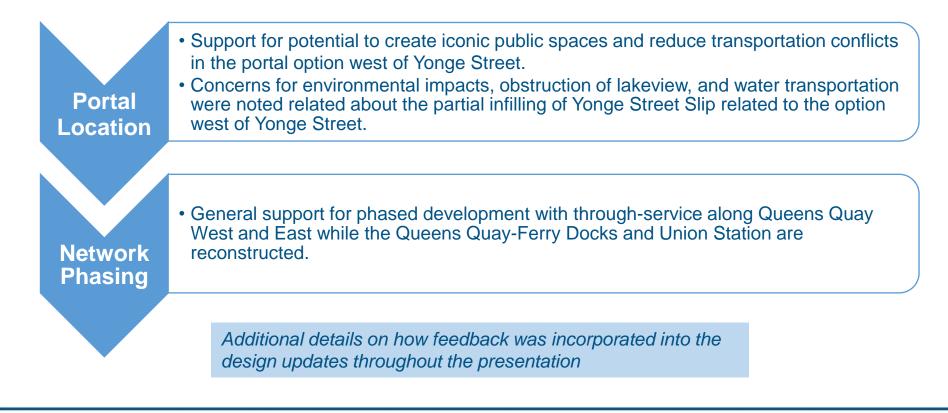
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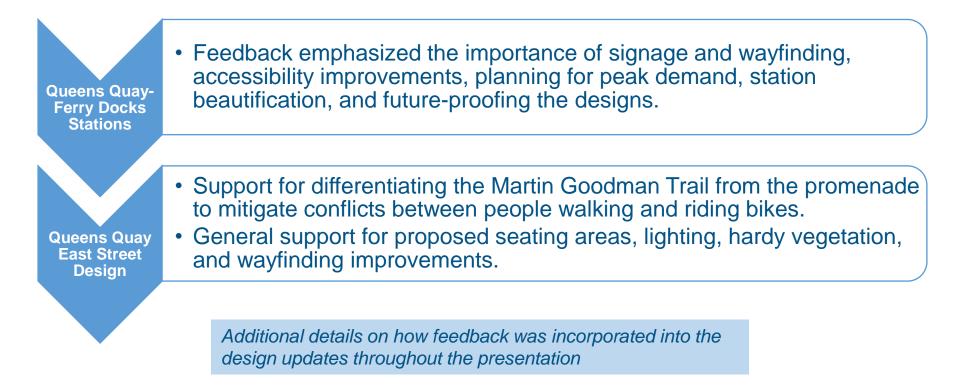


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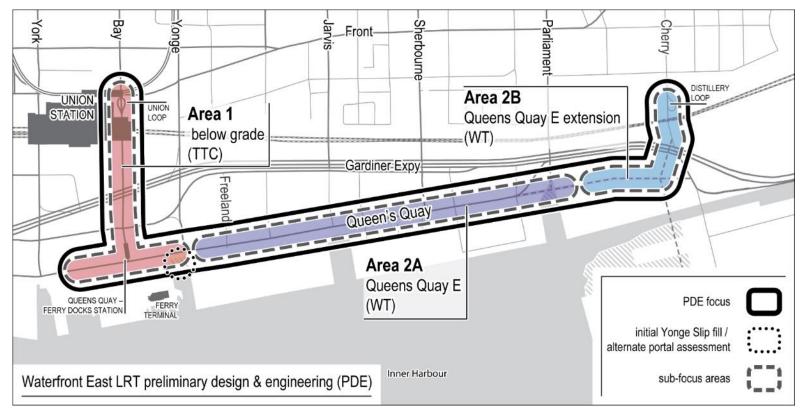


¹² What we heard





¹³Waterfront East LRT Extension Preliminary Design & Engineering Focus Areas





¹⁴**Project Schedule**

Preliminary Design & Engineering (PDE) and Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP)

costing and phasing We are here 2020 2021 2022 30% Design & Costing **Begin Design Process** PDE Area 1 Final PDE Retain Design Consultant 15% Design & Costing Deliverables 30% Design & Costing **Begin Design Process** PDE Area 2A Final PDF Retain Design Consultant 10% Design & Costing Deliverables 30% Design & Costing PDE **Begin Design Process** Area 2B Final PDE Retain Design Consultant 10% Design & Costing Deliverables Notice of Commencement TPAP **Public Consultation Begin Pre-Planning** (Environmental Approvals, All 3 **Public Consultation** PDE Areas) Public Consultation Notice of Completion



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Report to Council with Updated Business Case

based on 30% design,

¹⁵ Upcoming Reporting

Fall 2021 – City Council

• Still on track to present updated Business Case based on PDE costing in Fall 2021, ahead of the 2022 City of Toronto budget cycle



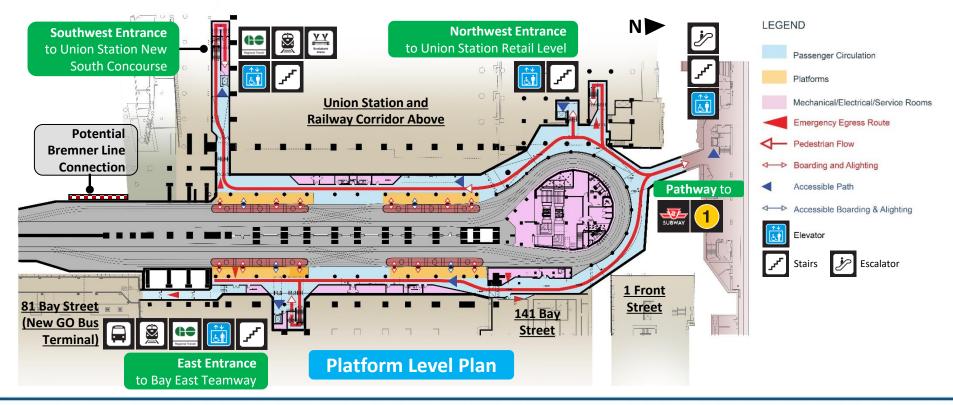


Area 1 Underground Works

- 1. Union Station Loop Update
- 2. Queens Quay-Ferry Docks Station Update
- 3. Portal Design New
- 4. Bay Street New

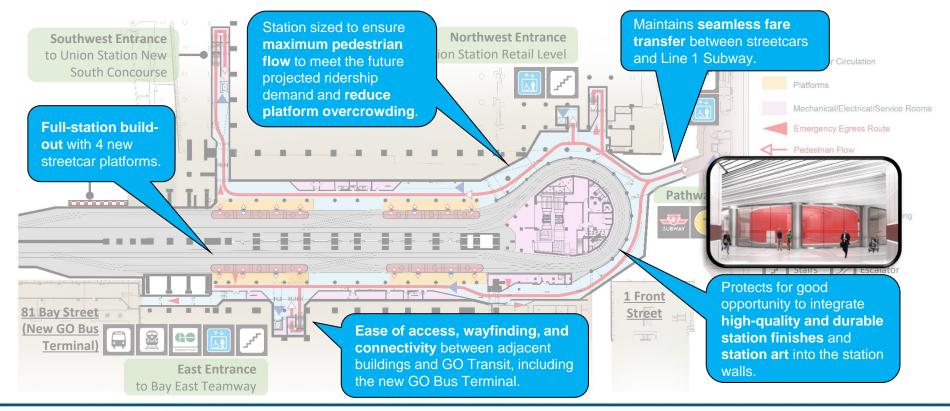


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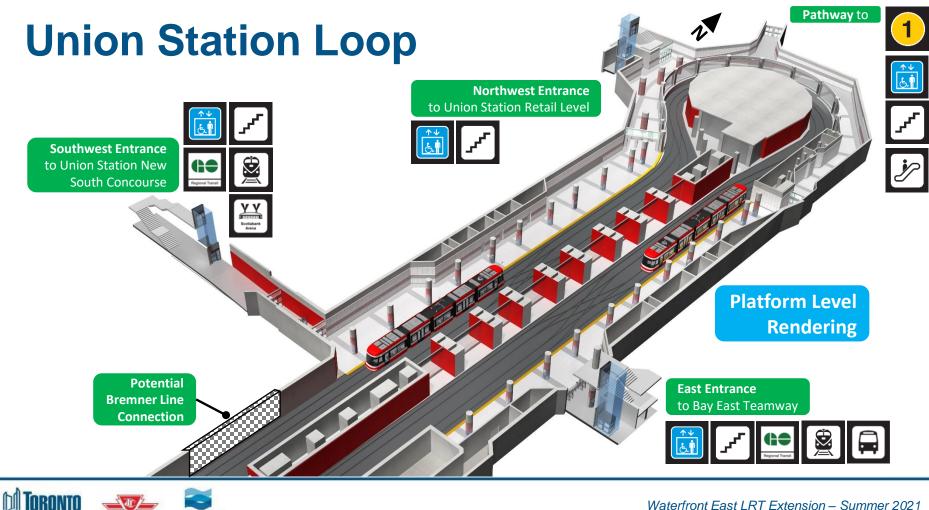




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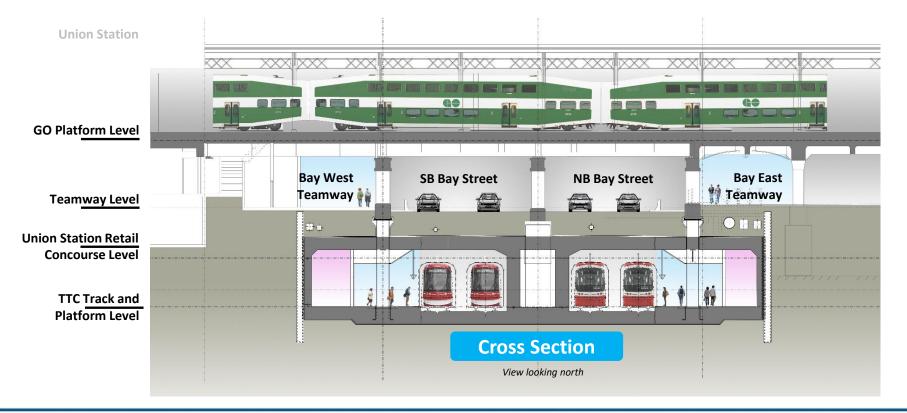






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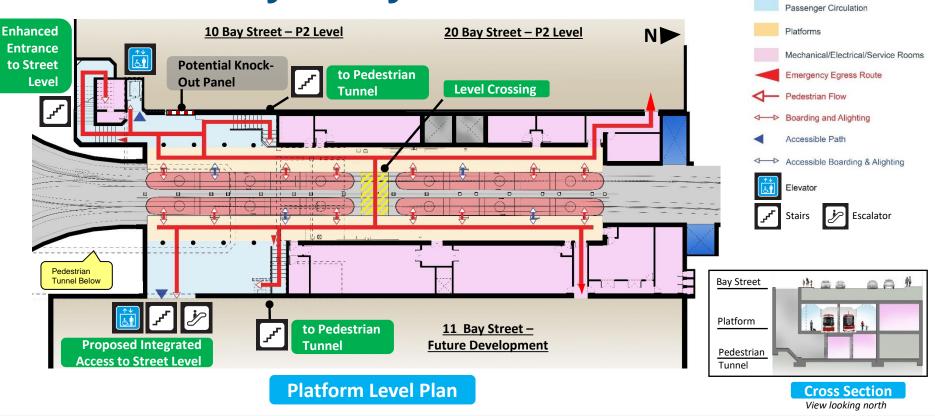
Union Station Loop Cross Section





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Queens Quay-Ferry Docks Station

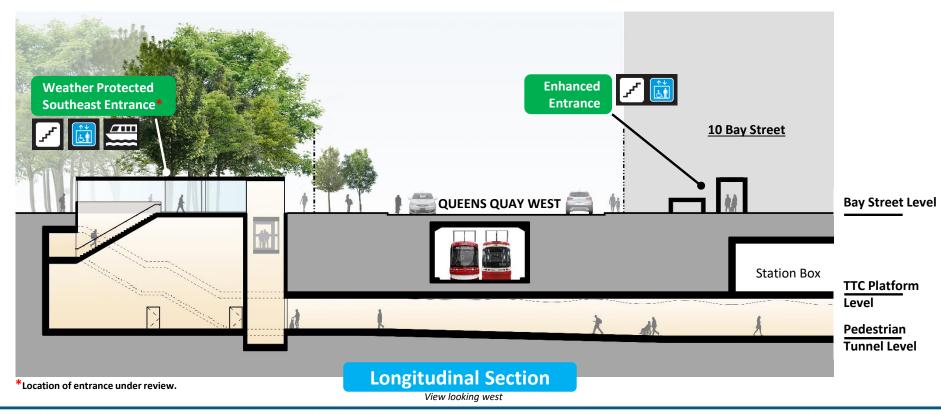




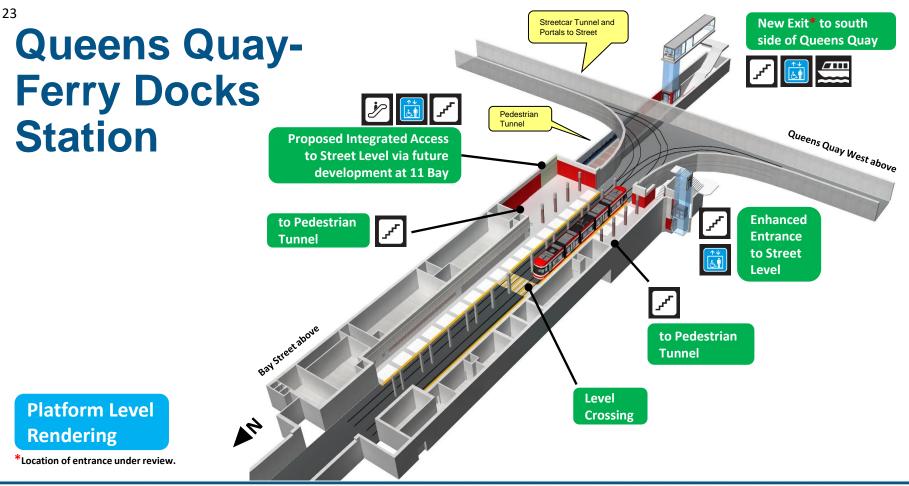
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Queens Quay-Ferry Docks Station







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Queens Quay-Ferry Docks Station

Potential Accessible Connection to future development at 11 Bay



extension of

 East Platform (NB Streetcar to Union Station)
 Bay Street East Side



Pedestrian Tunnel Level Rendering

*Location of exit under review.



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Queens Quay-Ferry Docks Station

Updated design maintains and further enhances the proposed underground pedestrian tunnel access to south of Queens Quay, leading to an accessible new street-level entrance.

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Opportunities to protect for good, integrated connections to adjacent properties continue to be explored with key stakeholders. This include future 11 Bay development.

*Location of exit under review.



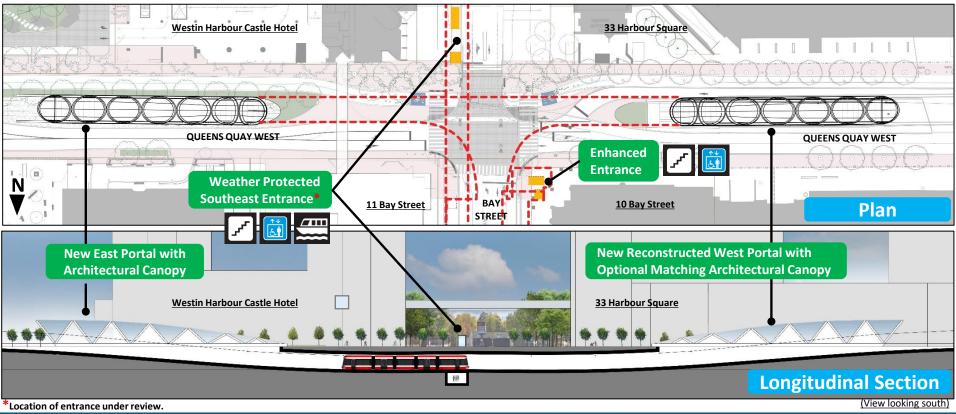
New Exit* to south side of Queens Quay

6m wide extension of

Protects for good opportunity to integrate highquality and durable station finishes and station art into the station walls.

> Tunnel widened to 6m which provides ample space to **accommodate event crowd** and **ample seating**.

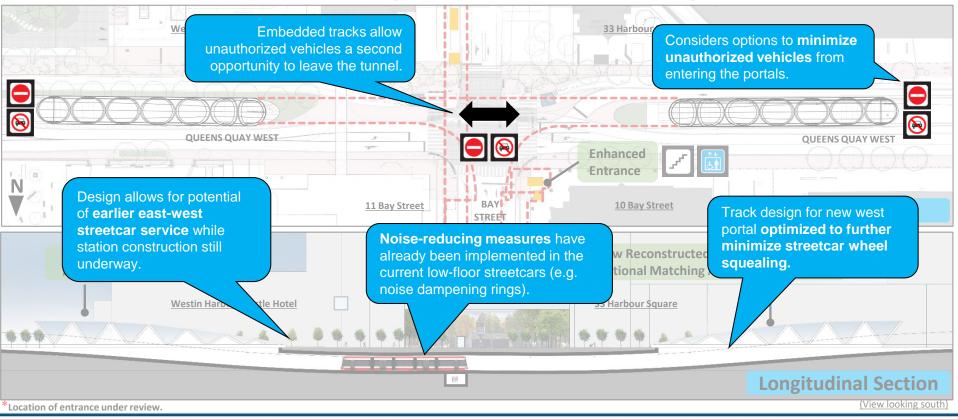
Streetcar Portals (East and West)





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Streetcar Portals (East and West)





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Portal Canopies 28 **Preliminary Renderings**



East portal looking west towards foot of Bay Street.



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Area 1: Bay Street Reconstruction

With the construction of the Union and Queens Quay Ferry-Docks Stations, much of **Bay Street between Front and Queens Quay** will need to be reconstructed towards the end of the project.

There is an opportunity to build Bay Street back differently than it is today.





Area 1: Bay Street Reconstruction

What design elements should be prioritized along Bay Street (between Front and Queens Quay Blvd) to enhance the street when it is rebuilt?

- Trees and Plantings
- Wider sidewalks
- Dedicated and protected bicycle infrastructure
- Improved Traffic Flow
- Priority measures for buses
- Pick-up & drop-off space
- Curbside loading space







Area 2A: Queens Quay East Design (Bay St. to Parliament St.)

- 1. Portal Location Study Update
- 2. Yonge Street Slip Design Update
- 3. Jarvis Slip Update
- 4. Parliament Street/Queens Quay Realignment Update
- 5. Queens Quay East Cross Section Update



³²Selected Portal Location – West of Yonge

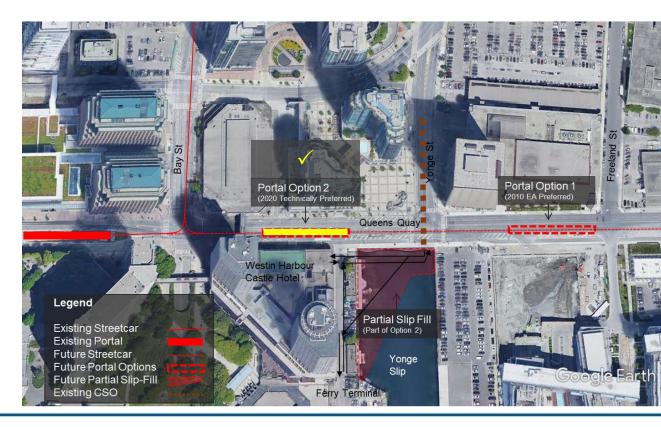
Greatest support for the portal location west of Yonge Street (Option 2).

The majority consensus is that this option provides:

- Enhanced transportation safety
- Enhanced public realm
- Cost savings
- Reduced construction impacts

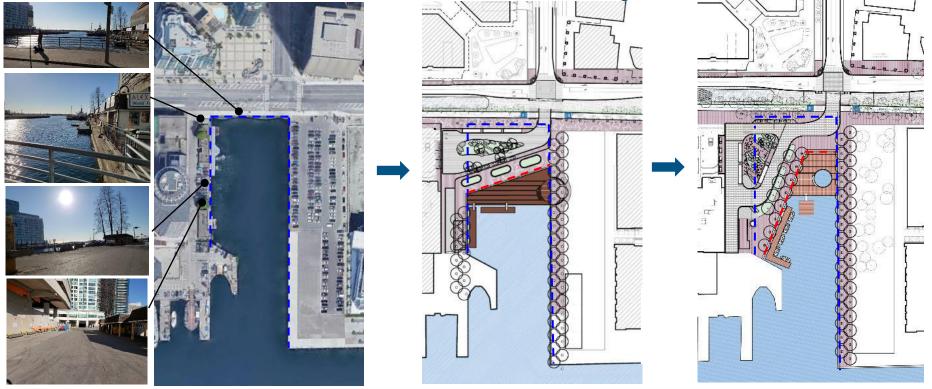
Consultation was also done with:

- Toronto Water
- Aquatic Habitat Toronto
- The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation
- Residents of 10 Yonge/10 Queens Quay



³³Yonge St. Slip Design Progress

Existing Condition



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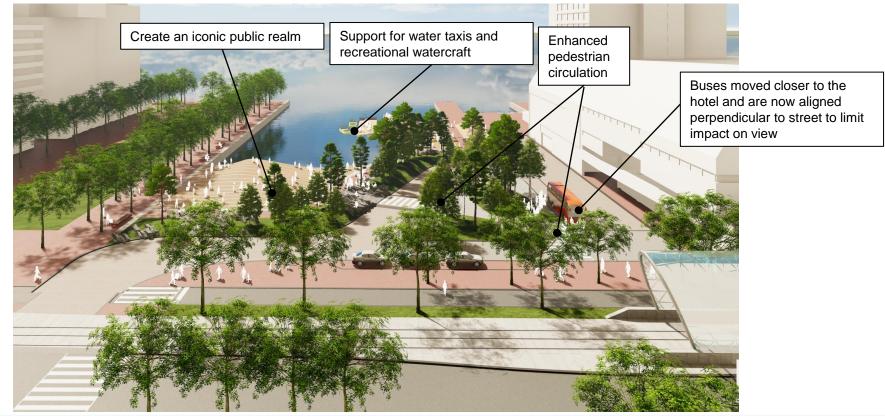


Existing dock wall

New dock wall

Summer 2021 Revised Design

³⁴Yonge St. Slip Design Update



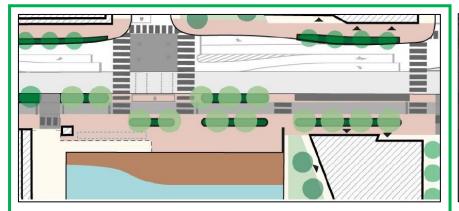


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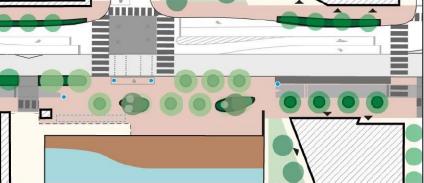


³⁶ Special Character at Heads of Slips: Arrival Zones



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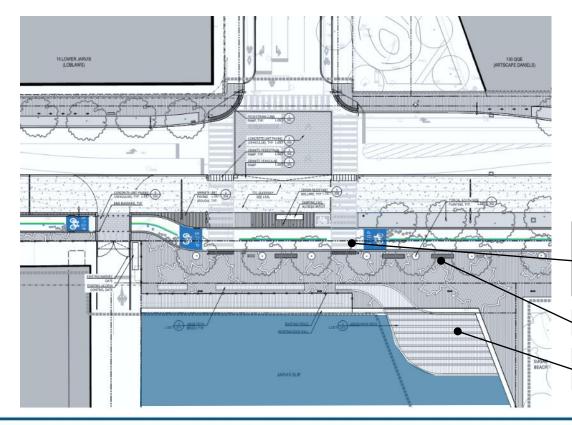
- Continuous asphalt MGT through the plaza
- Crosswalks extend south of MGT
- Same as "typical intersection" design



Option 2: Plaza

- Pedestrian focused area
- The MGT pavement stops along with other indicators of trail delineation
- Cyclists must navigate slowly through the space, prompted by new signage concept

³⁷Jarvis Slip: Arrival Zone Intersection Design



The **"delineated" option was selected** based on public feedback received during the Winter 2021 consultation.

This option makes a distinction between space for cyclists and pedestrians.

Extended crosswalks and extend MGT asphalt through the intersection (improved delineation between modes)

Additional seating

Wavedeck and integration with adjacent public space

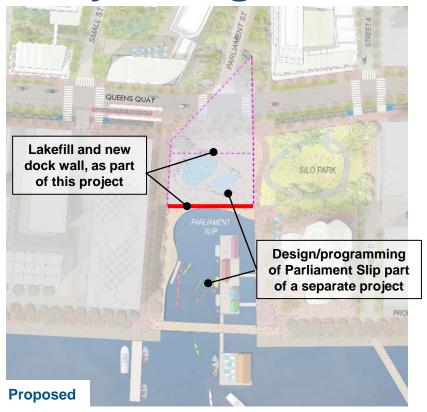


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Parliament St./Queens Quay Realignment



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Queens Quay East Typical Cross Section





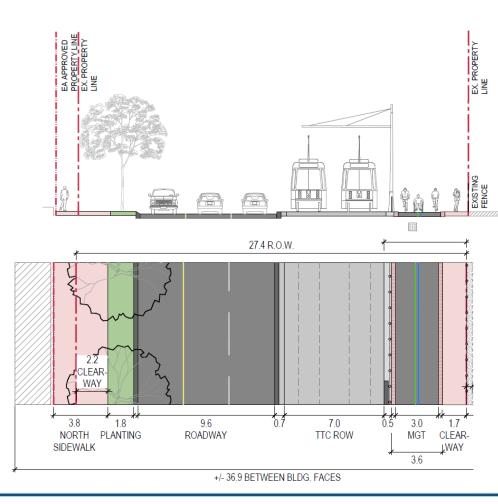
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Queens Quay East Right-of-way Constraints

Redpath Sugar Factory 95 Queens Quay East

The stretch of Queens Quay as it passes the Redpath Sugar Factory will not be able to achieve the full design vision as there is less space to work with.

As a result, the Martin Goodman Trail (MGT) and pedestrian promenade on the south side (*right side of image*) of Queens Quay West will be smaller than typical sections of the street.





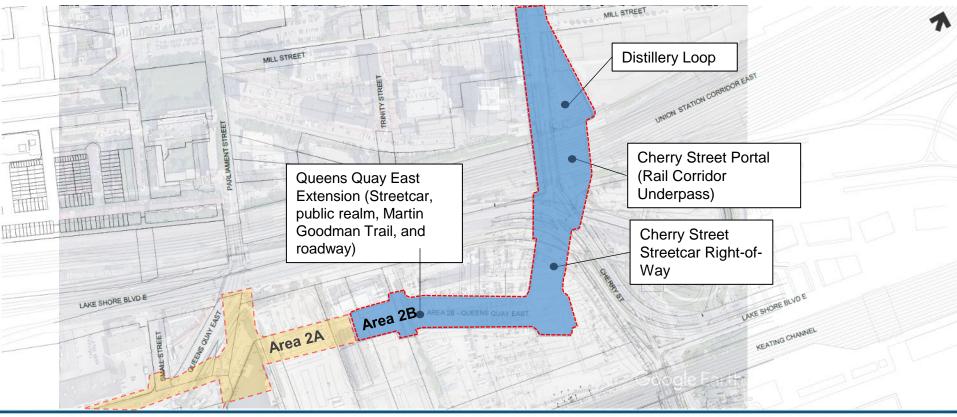


Area 2B - New Queens Quay East Extension and Cherry Street

- 1. Scope
- 2. Queens Quay East Extension Cross Section
- 3. Cherry Portal Options & Evaluation
- 4. Distillery Loop

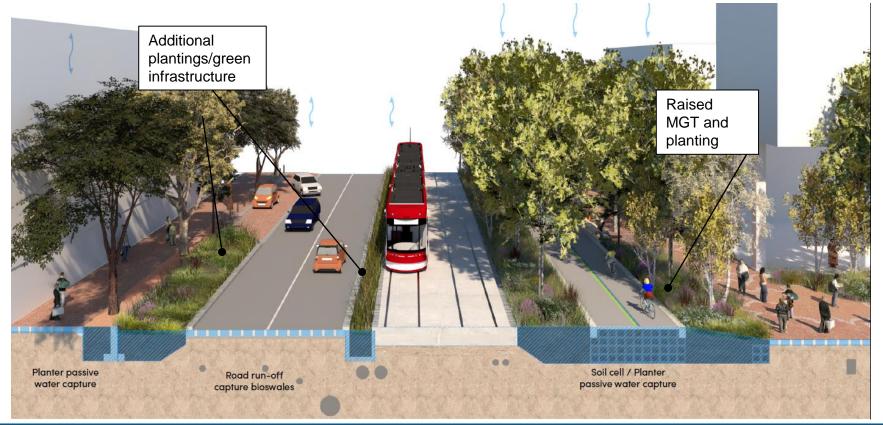


⁴⁵ Area 2B Design Scope





Queens Quay East Extension: Cross-Section





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⁴⁷**Cherry Portal Options**



Option 2: Mixed Traffic in Existing Portal



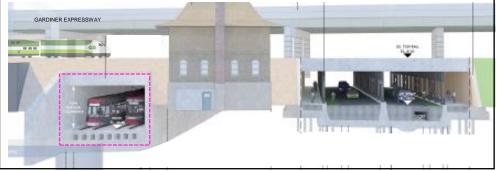
New Structure



Option 3: New Streetcar Portal, Move the Railway Signal Building



Option 4: New Streetcar Portal, Keep the Railway Signal Building in Place



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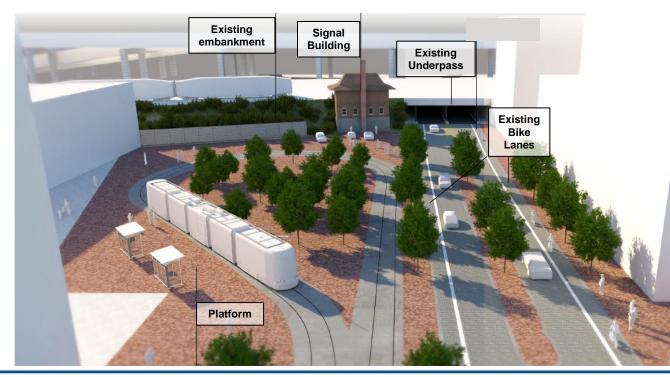
Evaluation of Cherry Portal Options

Option	Notes	
1) Bridge Rebuild	Significantly higher cost and requires replacement of rail deck, which would cause significant disruption to rail operations	× Not Preferred
2) Mixed Traffic in Existing Portal	 Roadway would need to be lowered to accommodate clearance for streetcars, which would lead to greater flooding issues Would lead to traffic and transit delays at Lakeshore/Cherry Intersection 	× Not Preferred
3) New Streetcar Portal, Move the Railway Signal Building	 Requires the existing railway signal building, which is a heritage structure, to a different location Limited disruption to railway corridor Lower costs compared to bridge rebuild option 	✓ Technically Preferred
4) New Streetcar Portal, Keep the Railway Signal Building in Place	 The existing railway signal building can stay in place Limited disruption to railway corridor Lower costs compared to bridge rebuild option 	√ Technically Preferred



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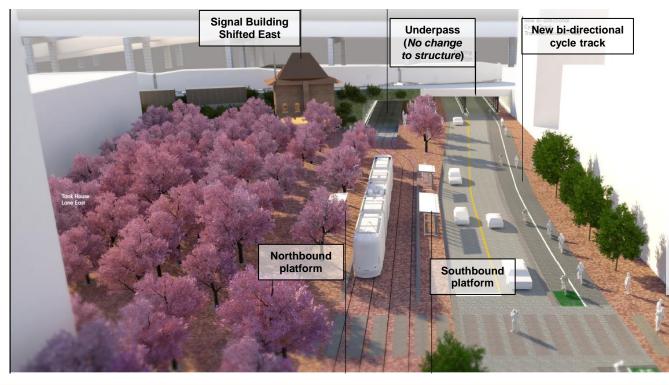
Distillery Loop: Existing





Distillery Loop: Option 3





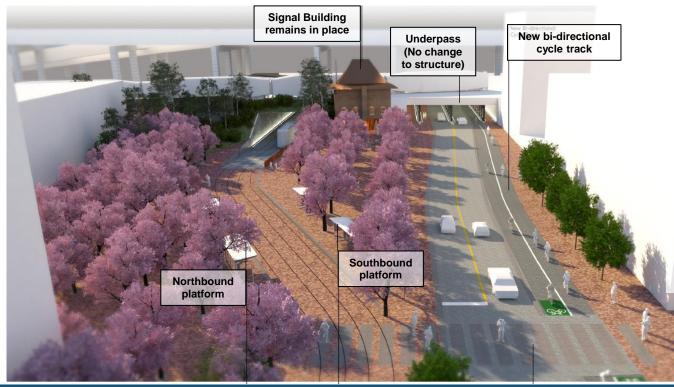
The existing Distillery Loop would be removed once the line is extended, creating an opportunity to enhance the surrounding public realm. Service would ultimately extend to the planned loop at Polson/Cherry.



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Distillery Loop: Option 4

(Option with Signal Building remaining in place)



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Phasing and Implementation

- 1. Phasing of Union Station & Queens Quay-Ferry Docks Stations *Update*
- 2. Expedited Interim Transit to Queens Quay East Update
- 3. Network Phasing Update
- 4. Implementation & Coordination Plan New
- 5. Mitigating Construction Impacts New



Phasing of Union Station and Queens Quay-Ferry Docks Station

1. How much expansion work is needed in the Union Station Loop (Area 1) in Phase 1?

Confirming the full 4-platform design for Union Station and full concept design for Queens Quay-Ferry Docks station is required to accommodate 2041 demand.

It is recommended that the full vision for Union Station be implemented in Phase 1.



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Expedited Interim Transit to Queens Quay East

2. Can East Bayfront transit service be expedited prior to the completion of the Union Station Loop?

Yes, the **east-west** through-track at the foot of Bay and construction of **Queens Quay East prior to the completion of Union Station** will allow for streetcar service to East Bayfront to be expedited.

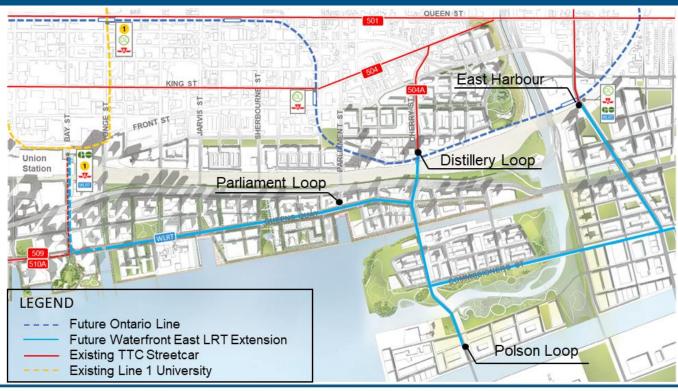
With this infrastructure in place, **it would be feasible for the TTC to operate a through east-west streetcar service** as part of the temporary service changes required during the Union Station construction.

Timing of expedited streetcar service is subject to funding and and refinement of the project schedule.



Network Phasing: Phase 1 (Yr 2031) Options

3. How far east should transit extend to in Phase 1? Four options were evaluated:



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⁵Network Phasing: Phase 1 (Yr 2031) Options

2. How far east should transit extend to in Phase 1? Four options were evaluated:

Parliament Loop

- Limited space to locate a loop due to advancement of Quayside development
- Does not deliver the same network benefits of transit prior to development in the eastern waterfront like the other options do
- Still requires significant investment (Union and Queens Quay East)

Distillery Loop

- Distillery Loop cannot be maintained once the alignment travels under the rail corridor due to grading and space requirements. Requires an unplanned temporary loop elsewhere along the line.
- Higher risks associated with construction of the portal and alignment with other projects in the area at the same time (Ontario Line, Gardiner/Lakeshore).

Polson Loop

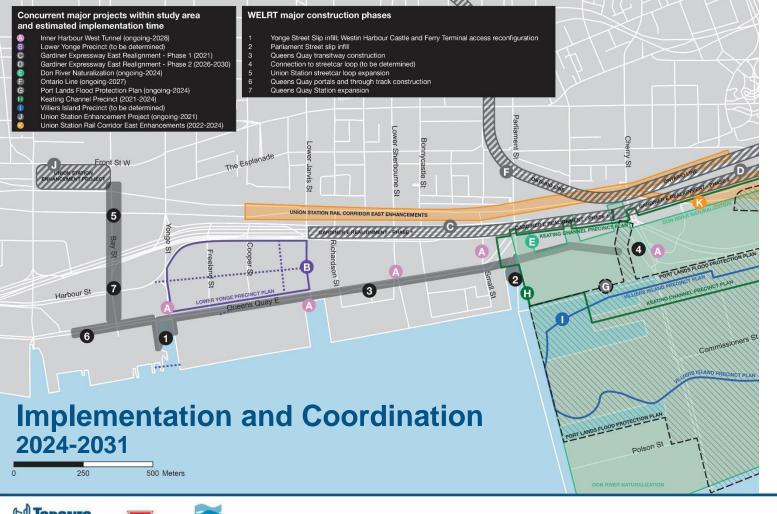
- Similar cost to going to Distillery loop, but without the constructability risk.
- Benefit of delivering transit in alignment with the development in Port Lands, aligning with city policy
- Cherry Street and new transit bridge being constructed as part of Port Lands Flood Projection Project

East Harbour

 Reliant on several other infrastructure investments, designs and environmental studies that are not yet funded







major infrastructure projects occurring in the area during this decade. Careful coordination between them will be required.

There will be several

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Mitigating Construction Impacts on Queens Quay

- At least one lane of traffic in each direction will be always maintained.
- Access to all buildings will be always maintained.
- Emphasis on maintaining pedestrian and cyclist connections and mitigating impacts during construction (per construction management guidelines)
- Business access plan and communications will emphasize how businesses can be accessed during construction.



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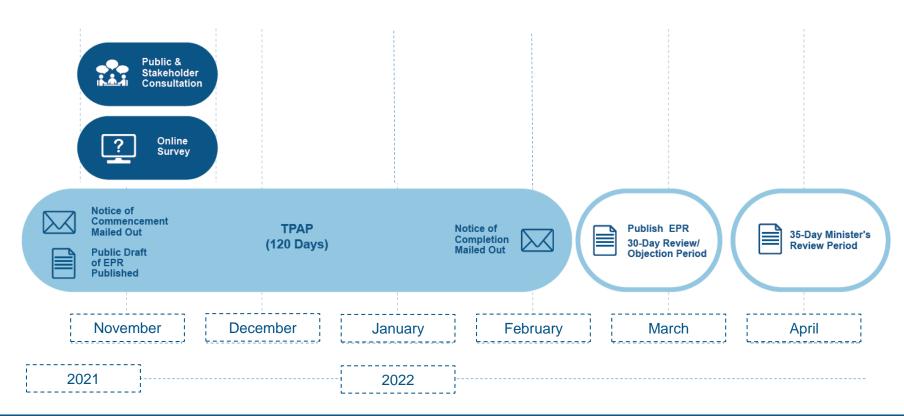
Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP)

- 1. Timeline Update
- 2. Future Engagement *New*



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TPAP: Tentative Timeline





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⁶² Future Engagement

There will be a third round of consultation in **Fall 2021**, aligned with the release of the draft Environmental Project Report (EPR).

The consultation will focus on:

- Plan for Bay Street after reconstruction
- Phasing and Implementation Update
- Area 2B Design
- Summary of the updated Business Case
- Key project impacts and mitigations documented in the draft EPR



Q&A / Discussion

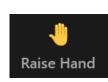


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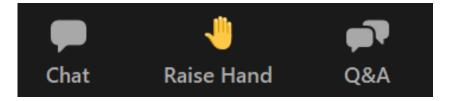
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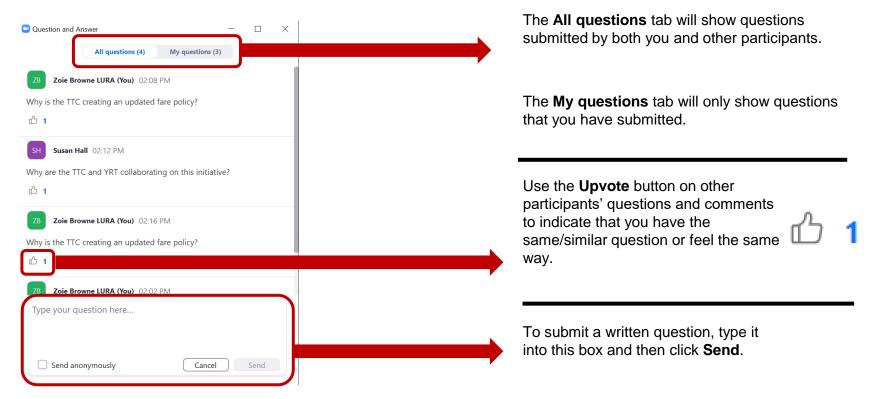
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Next Steps

- Develop costing for all project areas
- Develop the Preliminary Design Business Case
- Produce the draft Environmental Project Report (EPR)
- Report to City Council in Fall 2021
- Further consultation with stakeholders
- Fall 2021 public meeting



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