

Public Consultation

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Cycling and Road Safety Upgrades College Street: Manning Avenue to Bay Street

Project Overview

The City of Toronto has planned TTC track replacement work on College Street between Bathurst Street and Bay Street in 2022. This work provides an opportunity to rethink the existing roadway design and consider changes that will improve safety for all road users. Proposed safety improvements include upgrading the existing bike lanes on College Street with physically separated bike lanes (cycle tracks).

The project will encourage and improve safety for people cycling and walking, make the street more pleasant and improve pedestrian crossings. The design will look to improve conditions for trees, increase bicycle parking, and support College Street as a destination to linger and visit local businesses. In some locations, TTC bus stop improvements will result in reduced vehicle parking. Construction will include improvement to the Borden Street and College Street intersection that was previously approved in 2020.

Project Area



Proposed Design

Manning Avenue to Spadina Avenue

- Installation of parking protected, raised bike lanes (cycle tracks), including raised TTC platforms
- 2 vehicle travel lanes maintained in each direction
- Parking bays replaced with parking in curb lane would include greening opportunities where possible
- Parking impacts would include:
 - Peak period parking restrictions to maintain traffic flow (similar to west of Manning Avenue)
 - o Parking loss at new TTC bus stops (approximately 80% of parking spaces would be maintained)



Example of TTC bus stop on Bloor Street

Spadina Avenue to Bay Street



- Installation of physically separated (concrete curb) street-level bike lanes (cycle tracks)
- 2 vehicle travel lanes maintained in each direction
- No changes to parking

Example of physically separated (concrete curb) street-level bike lanes (cycle tracks) on Wellesley Street

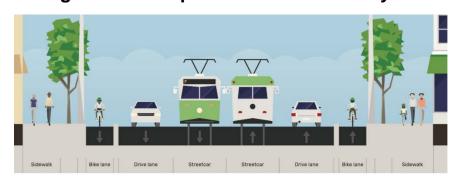


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Proposed Street Design between Manning Avenue and Spadina Avenue



Proposed Street Design between Spadina Avenue and Bay Street



Project Background

As part of the City's Vision Zero Road Safety Plan, road reconstruction projects consider design changes that improve the safety of vulnerable road users. Physically separated bike lanes (cycle tracks) are recommended on College Street because of high motor vehicle volumes and collision trends. Separated bike lanes increase the safety and comfort of all people using the road and reduce collisions between people driving and cycling.

The City also has an ambitious climate action strategy, TransformTO. Redesigning streets to improve safety and comfort for people cycling and walking is one way to achieve TransformTO active transportation goals.

Learn more about this project and provide your feedback

Based on the expert advice of our Medical Officer of Health to practice physical distancing, to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and to protect the health and safety of Toronto residents and our staff, this consultation event will be conducted online, by phone, and by mail only. At the virtual public meeting, staff will present the project and provide an opportunity to ask questions. A copy of the presentation will be available on the website.

	Presentation and Question & Answer Period Monday, November 15, 2021, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.	
	Join by computer, smart phone or tablet	Join by phone (audio only)
Virtual Public Meeting	Visit the project web page and register: toronto.ca/CollegeUpgrades You will receive an email with instruction on how to join the event via your device. If you do not register in advance, you can visit the project web page on the day of the event to find the login information.	View information material ahead of time on the project web page OR request material by email or mail. Five minutes before the meeting starts, call 416-915-6530 and enter access code 246 296 20279.
Online	toronto.ca/CollegeUpgrades Provide comments by November 29 th . Materials will be posted to the project web page before the meeting.	
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Next Steps

Following public and stakeholder consultation and subject to approval from City Council, the City of Toronto plans to install the proposed changes in Summer 2022.

Information will be collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.