# The Next Phase of Waterfront Revitalization





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# Welcome

Introductions and Agenda



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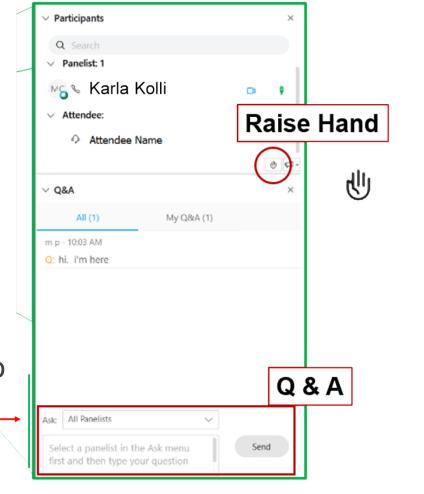
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- Be direct and frame questions to specific speakers.
- Be brief and limit yourself to one question or comment at the time, there will be other opportunities to engage.
- Be a good listener and keep an open mind.
- Use raise hand or Q&A function to ask questions.
- Be respectful. City of Toronto is an inclusive public organization. Racist or other forms of discriminatory, prejudicial, or hateful comments and questions will not be tolerated.
- Engage with high energy, be personable as you would in person!
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# **Team Introductions**

Meet today's facilitators and project team members



#### **Waterfront Partners**

#### **City of Toronto Staff**

#### **Elected Officials**

- City Councillors
- MPPs, MPs

#### **Additional Acknowledgements**

- Provincial and Federal Staff
- Waterfront Toronto Staff
- CreateTO Staff
- TRCA Staff
- Other agency staff



# **Dillon Consulting**

- Daniel Hoang, Engagement Specialist
- Kristin Lillyman, Engagement Specialist





# Agenda

- What is Waterfront Revitalization A History and Context
- 2. Building On a History of Success
- 3. A Renewed Vision Next Phase Priorities
- 4. Overview of the Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement
- 5. Q&A
- 6. Workshop
- 7. Next Steps

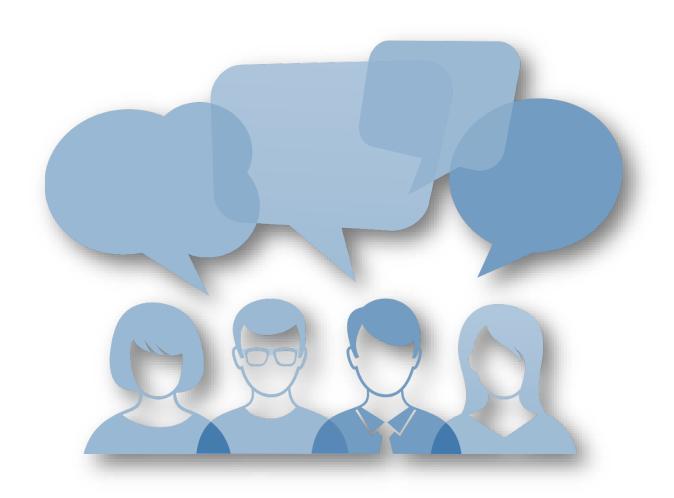


## Purpose

- Present information on the history of Waterfront Revitalization, ongoing projects, and vision
- Bring key stakeholders and the community together to talk about the Next Phase
- Ask questions and discuss ideas, vision, and overall desires for the future of the waterfront



# **Participation Moment**







# What is Waterfront Revitalization?

From 2000 to Today





# of Transformation 20 Years



 Waterfront revitalization is realized by a tri-government partnership through Waterfront Toronto

## **TORONTO**



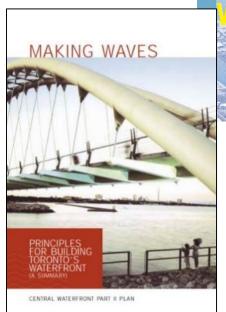




- What we've done and where we're headed:
  - Delivered on social, economic, public realm and environmental benefits
  - Reconnected communities with the waterfront
  - Developed complete communities

#### A Vision for Toronto's Waterfront





- The Waterfront Revitalization Task Force, led by Robert Fung, outlined an original vision for Toronto's waterfront in 2000.
- The original vision led to the establishment of Waterfront Toronto and remains relevant.
- Related approved plans and frameworks have guided revitalization.
- The task is far from complete.



# **A Collaborative Approach**

#### **Tri-Government Partnership**

The first phase of waterfront revitalization has been advanced through Waterfront Toronto, enabled by a tri-government investment of \$2.75 billion.

#### 2001

Initial Investment

\$1.5 billion

(\$500 million from each)

#### 2016

Port Lands Flood Protection

\$1.25 billion

(\$400 million from each)

#### **A Community of Partners**

Waterfront revitalization involves a community of partners and a program of projects.

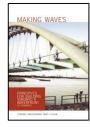
- Waterfront Revitalization
- Natural Heritage and Parks
- Transportation
- Infrastructure
- Economic Development
- Active Transportation
- Culture and Tourism
- Affordable Housing
- Recreational Boating



#### **Timeline**



Toronto
Waterfront
Revitalization
Task Force
Report



Central Waterfront Secondary Plan



East Bayfront Precinct Plan

2005



Start of Port Lands Flood Protection Project

2016/17 2021



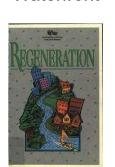
Next Phase of

Waterfront

Revitalization

Royal
Commission on
the Future of the
Toronto
Waterfront

1992



2000



2001





2003





West Don Lands Precinct Plan



Pan Am + Para Pan Am Games

2015





Port Lands
Planning
Framework + Villiers
Island Precinct Plan







# **Building on a History of Success**

**Central Waterfront** 



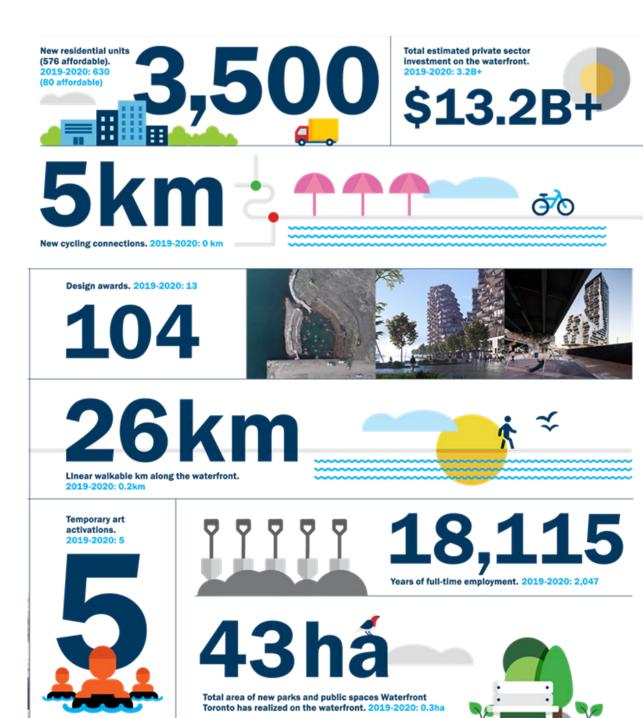
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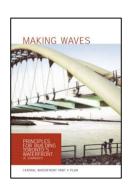
- Over the past 20 years, significant economic, social and environmental outcomes have been realized through waterfront revitalization.
- **\$2.75 billion** in trigovernment investments have created:





# A History of Success

 Through the construction of complete communities and public realm improvements, Toronto's waterfront has been physically transformed.



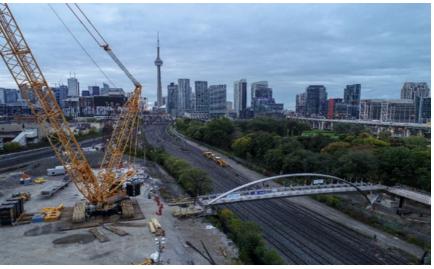
The Central Waterfront
 Secondary Plan (CWSP) has
 been the guiding document for
 waterfront revitalization and
 highlights four core principles:

- Removing Barriers/Making Connections
- Building a Network of Spectacular Waterfront Parks and Public Spaces
- Promoting a Clean and Green Environment
- Creating Dynamic and Diverse New Communities



# Removing Barriers and Making Connections





#### **Present Day Examples:**

- Queens Quay West Revitalization
- Garrison Crossing (Fort York Bridge)
- Martin Goodman Trail

- Ontario Line
- Waterfront East LRT
- Port Lands Flood Protection Enabling Infrastructure



# **Building a Network of Spectacular Waterfront Parks and Public Spaces**



Sugar Beach



#### **Present Day Examples:**

- Corktown Common
- Sugar Beach
- The Bentway

- Bathurst Quay Neighbourhood
- Port Lands Flood Protection
- Love Park

# **Promoting a Clean and Green Environment**



#### **Present Day Examples:**

- Corktown Common
- Green Building Requirements
- LEED Certified Buildings

- Port Lands Flood Protection
- Numerous Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure Improvements



## **Creating Dynamic and Diverse Communities**



#### **Present Day Examples:**

- West Don Lands
- East Bayfront

- Villiers Island
- Quayside
- McCleary District

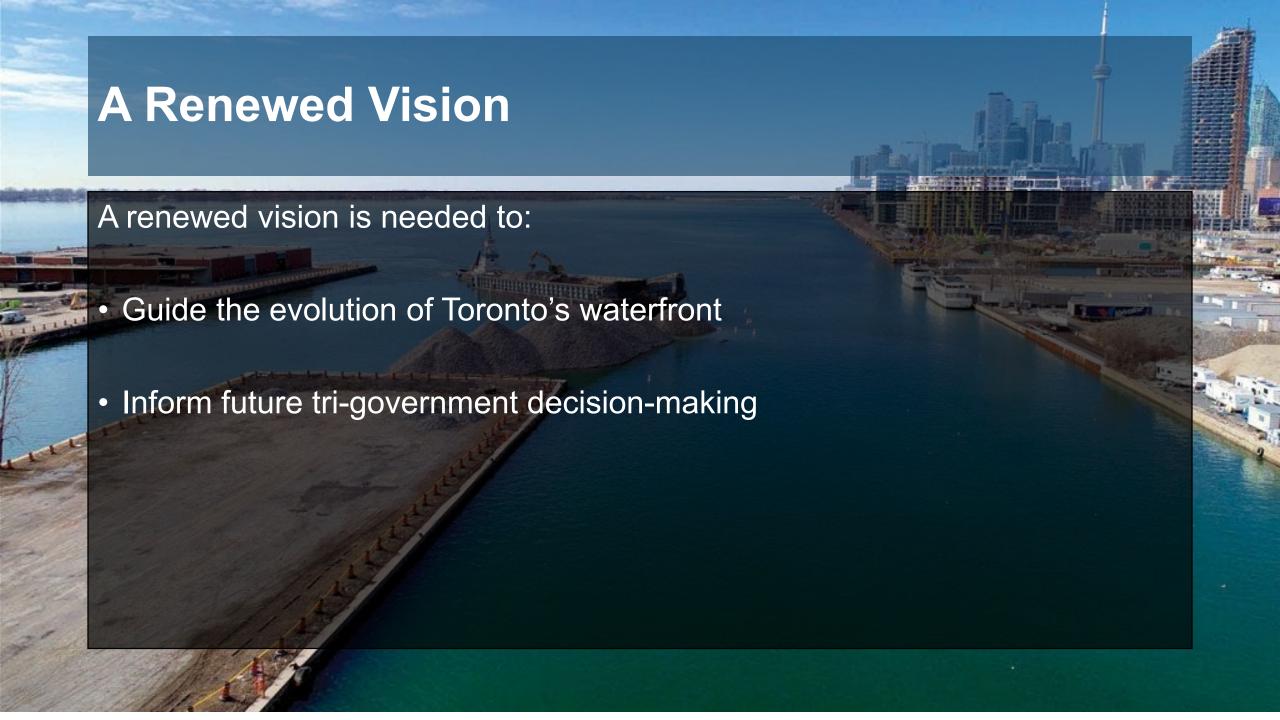




# A Renewed Vision

**Next Phase Priorities** 





# **Intersecting Next Phase Outcomes**

A renewed vision for the next phase of waterfront revitalization will generate outcomes that will advance the following priorities:



**Strategic Economic Development** 



**Indigenous Reconciliation and Engagement** 



**Equity and Inclusion, including Housing** 



**Climate Resilience and Sustainability** 



# **Strategic Economic Development**



A renewed vision will identify specific economic opportunities that support post-pandemic economic recovery.

- Important for attracting and retaining talent in the current global economy.
- Deliver on economic, social and environmental outcomes.



# Indigenous Reconciliation and Engagement

A renewed vision will address the importance of the waterfront to Indigenous communities and advance City commitments to Indigenous reconciliation in the next phase of waterfront revitalization.

#### **Initiatives in Progress**

- Miziwe Biik and City of Toronto Affordable Rental Housing Partnership
- Toronto Island Master Plan Process
- Anishnawbe Health Toronto Community Health Centre and Miziwe Biik Training Institute



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West Don Lands

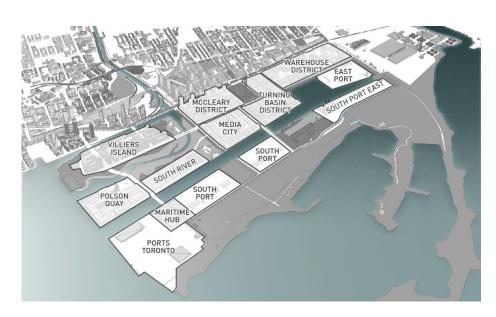


# **Equity and Inclusion, including Housing**

A renewed vision provides the opportunity to create a more inclusive waterfront in alignment with City strategies that advance equitable outcomes related to affordable housing, accessibility and community health.

#### **Initiatives in Progress**

- Port Lands Planning Framework
- Marine Use Strategy



Port Lands Planning Framework



# Climate Resilience and Sustainability

The next phase of waterfront revitalization will embed climate resilience and TransformTO greenhouse gas emission targets into infrastructural projects (i.e. transit, flood protection) and set a precedent for climate positive design.

#### **Initiatives in Progress**

- Villiers Island Precinct
- Waterfront Transit Network
- Port Lands Flood Protection
- Coxwell Bypass



Villiers Island Precinct



#### The Wider Waterfront

There is opportunity to advance these priorities beyond Toronto's central waterfront – to the wider waterfront, from Etobicoke to Scarborough.

- Focus on parks, trails, natural heritage and shoreline restoration.
- Many projects already underway by City divisions, partner agencies (e.g. TRCA) and community groups, with support from government partners.
- Need for a more comprehensive and coordinated approach, along with a long term funding strategy.





## **The Wider Waterfront**



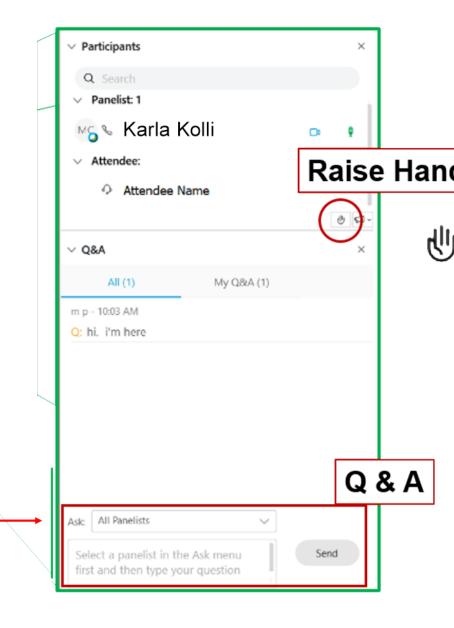
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# Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement

The Next Phase of Waterfront Revitalization



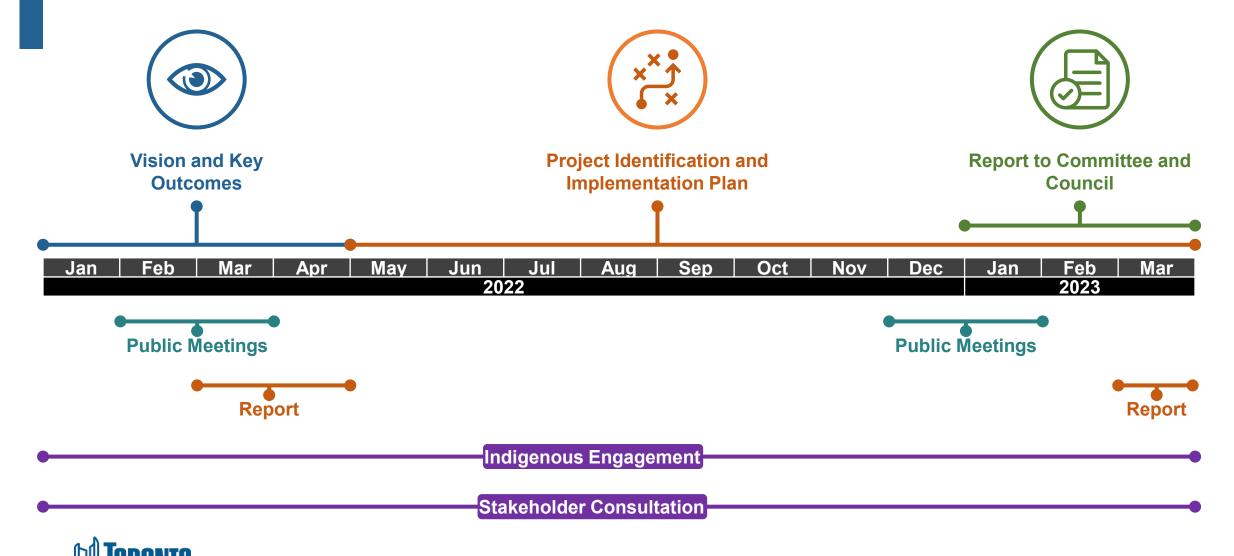
## City Wide Public Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement

- Public consultation has played an important part in the history of waterfront revitalization.
- Public feedback has informed policy and project priorities.
- Engagement on a renewed vision and implementation.





#### **Public Consultation Schedule**



#### Indigenous Engagement



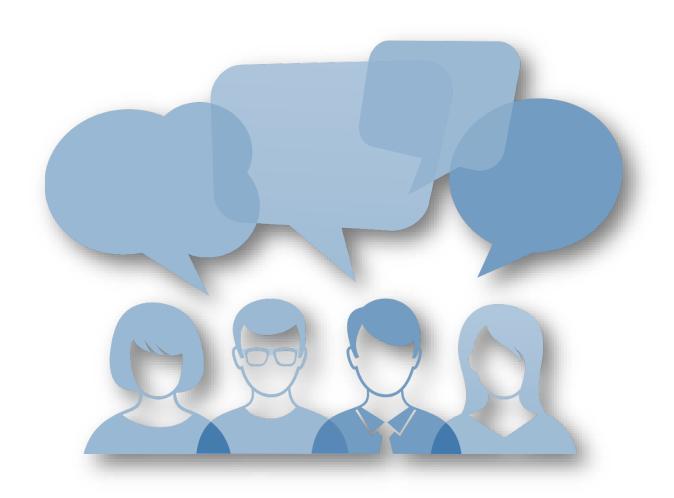
## Engagement with Indigenous partners is an important aspect of this project.

The program will engage:

- People and organizations that represent First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples
- Indigenous rights-holders
- Urban Indigenous communities
- The Mississaugas of the Credit and other Treaty and Territorial partners



## **Participation Moment**







## Workshop

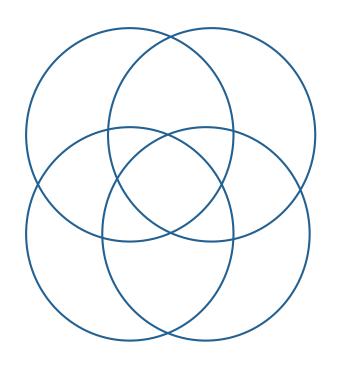




### **Discussion Questions**

- 1. What are your thoughts on the four priority outcomes?
- 2. What projects or types of projects would you like to see as part of the Next Phase of Waterfront Revitalization?
- 3. What are the opportunities associated with the wider waterfront?





#### **Dear Future Resident**

- 1. Spend 5 minutes and write a message to a future resident or visitor!
  - Let go of limits and boundaries (financial, technological, political)
  - What hopes do you have for them?
  - How do you see them using the waterfront?

2. Raise your hand to share your message or share in the chat.





## **Next Steps**



#### 2022: Next Steps

## Public Consultation + Stakeholder Engagement

- Online Survey open until March
  8, 2022
- Social Media photo challenge #mywaterfrontTO
- Public meetings
- Stakeholder meetings
- Indigenous Engagement

February 7th, 2022 **Project Launch February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022** Public Meeting #1 February 23rd, 2022 Public Meeting #2 March 3rd, 2022 Public Meeting #3 March 30th, 2022 **Executive Committee** Meeting **April 6th + 7th, 2022** City Council Meeting



## Thank you!



