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Welcome to Public Drop-in Event #2:

Tuesday, February 21, 2023, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Marshall McLuhan School, 1107 Avenue Rd.

Saturday, February 25, 2023, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Fairbank Public School, 2335 Dufferin Street

For more information visit: toronto.ca/eglintonTOday

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How to Provide Your Feedback

Information is provided on the display boards. Review them to learn about the different topics this study covers.

Online Feedback Survey Is available on the project webpage from February 7 to March 7 2023

Send us an email at: eglintonTOday@toronto.ca Or call: 416-338-7755



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Please talk with staff at any of the boards to discuss your ideas, experiences or concerns in more detail.

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Scan this QR code to visit the project website



Roll plans are available for comment. Sticky notes are provided so you may share ideas about specific locations.

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Project Scope

upgrades on Eglinton Avenue between Keele Street and Mount Pleasant Road.

This project will follow a quick build approach with opportunities for smaller scale civil projects including:



Lane modifications

Reallocation of available road space to accommodate complete street elements, including travel lanes, parking/loading space, and cycle tracks.



Parkette spaces New public spaces with additional seating, plantings and art using temporary or permanent materials.

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The **eglintonTOday** Complete Street project is an interim strategy that will achieve elements of the Eglinton Connects Vision and aims to make travel on Eglinton Avenue safer, more inviting, and attractive for everyone. The project proposes to implement complete street features, including Vision Zero road safety changes, bikeways, and public realm



Cycle Tracks Physically separated cycle tracks with different treatments depending on available buffer, including pre-cast curbs, bollards and planters.





Patio extensions Seasonal or permanent patios on curb space can replace on-street parking and provide additional seating space for businesses.





Painted curb extensions

Safety feature that reduces crossing distances on side streets and decreases speed of turning vehicles. Incorporates art and colour.



Leading pedestrian and bicycle intervals Provides a head start for people walking and/or cycling so that they can clear the intersection before the conflicting vehicular movement starts.



Project Limits

Phase 1 of the **eglintonTOddy** Complete Street is proposed for **Eglinton Avenue between Keele** Street and Mount Pleasant Road. A future Phase 2 is proposed to continue east to Brentcliffe Road.



**Implementation of projects is subject to public consultation, Council approval, feasibility of route alignment and detailed design, and capital infrastructure coordination.





Project Process and Timelines

Review Existing Conditions



Map existing conditions and constraints to inform recommendations and design elements

May-July 2022

Phase 1 Consultation

Introduce project and understand peoples' priorities and concerns

Sep-Dec 2022

Focus Groups and Analysis

Gather feedback from stakeholder groups, and advance traffic analysis and option development



Develop and refine the design based on public and stakeholder input and on-going traffic and safety analysis

Implement the design and follow-up post-installation; Incorporate ongoing design refinements

WE ARE HERE **February**

2023

Phase 2 Consultation

Gather feedback on Complete Street recommendation and adjust design

June 2023

Report for Approval Recommendation Report to Infrastructure & Environment Committee & City Council



Implement and **Refine Design**



Summer 2023

Complete Street Installation

Complete Street and road resurfacing planned for late summer 2023



Consultation Phase 1



Public Event #1

June 22 2022

Three Community Pop-Up Events: June 15 2022: Toronto Public Library Forest Hill Branch June 16 2022: Eglinton West Subway Station June 17 2022: Films on Shortt Street



Stakeholder Engagement

Two Stakeholder Meetings Six Stakeholder Site Walks **Business Loading Survey** Meetings with Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) Shop Talk Thursday, Black Business and **Professional Association**



Intercept Survey

October 2022 Focus Groups with people with accessibility needs and food delivery workers







What We've Heard: Consultation Phase 1

KEY THEMES:

Allen Road and **Vehicular Traffic**

- Concerns that lane reduction will worsen congestion and traffic infiltration onto residential streets
- Discourage use of side streets through signage and signal modifications

Construction

- Concerns about road
- closures and lane reductions Construction impacts to businesses
- Concern about project timelines, scope of design to address repairs, and new improvements



Safety

- Concerns related to current construction, confusing and everchanging street navigation, potholes and other poor street conditions
- Nighttime safety, poor lighting and limited street activity

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Aggressive driving behaviour (speeding, running) red lights, not yielding for people walking, and

unsafe turning)



- Support for protected bike lanes as a significant improvement
- Concerns about cycling
- facilities across the Allen Road Interest in Toronto Bike Share locations
- Lack of places to maintain, park and charge bikes
- Concern about winter maintenance



- Infrequent crossing opportunities
- Short crossing times for people walking
- Uneven sidewalks







Parking and Loading

- Limited parking spaces within BIA areas is a concern
- Request for increased parking (on Eglinton Ave., side streets and in parking lots)
- Request for free parking to support businesses
- Consider access for delivery vehicles or customers picking up large items

Public Realm

- Support for better wayfinding, waste bins, and bike posts
- Interest in parkettes, seating areas, trees, murals, decorative pavement markings and street furniture



Purpose of Complete Streets



Streets for People

- Improved cycling and walking environment
- Enhance connections to transit
- Calmer traffic
- Welcoming to families and people of all ages and abilities



Streets for Placemaking

- New community space
- New public art
 - New places to sit
- Vibrant and accessible public realm









Streets for Prosperity

- Support local
 - businesses including CaféTO
 - installations
- More mobility options
- Climate friendly design
- Loading and parking



Traffic Analysis

Traffic analysis is a core component of the project and is being conducted using industry standard software (Synchro/SimTraffic). To date, the project team has developed:

- An "existing conditions" model that represents a post-ECLRT opening day scenario
- •A "complete streets" variation of the model that can be used to compare the post-ECLRT opening day condition to complete street conditions. This model accounts for:
 - •Changes to the lane configuration related to the complete street
 - Implementing leading pedestrian intervals where feasible
 - •Updated yellow clearances



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These locations are being reviewed for opportunities to reduce and minimize traffic impacts: Keele St, Richardson Ave, Caledonia Rd, Ennerdale Rd, Oakwood Ave, Marlee Ave, Rostrevor Rd, Bathurst St, Old Forest Hill Rd, Vesta Dr, Heddington Ave, Castle Knock Rd, Avenue Rd, Dunfield Ave.





Results show that most intersections operate reasonably well.

Some intersections predicted to continue to experience congestion.



Traffic Analysis | Oakwood to Bathurst



Through traffic analysis and on-going discussions with stakeholders, the area around Allen Road from Oakwood Avenue to Bathurst Street has been subject to the development of additional alternatives to address complex operations and competing priorities. Two options have been explored through this segment east and west of the Allen interchange. The Allen interchange is currently being constructed by Metrolinx as part of the Eglinton Crosstown LRT.



Option 2: Four-Lane Option







Option 1

Includes one travel lane in each direction with turn lanes at intersections and full-time on-street parking on one / both sides of the street (depending on turn lane locations).

Option 2

Considers a flexible configuration and includes two travel lanes in each direction with off-peak parking permitted in the curb lane outside of peak hours (i.e. 7-9 a.m.; 4-6 p.m.)



Traffic Analysis | Oakwood to Bathurst

Factor	Option 1: Two Lanes	Option 2: Four Lanes
Traffic Operations	Less Preferred Two lanes with turn lanes at intersection does not operate as well Travel time ~3-7 minutes slower than Option 2	Preferred Four travel lanes provides Travel time ~3-7 minutes fa
Parking and Loading Space	24-hours Full-time parking and loading space on one side Total parking and loading capacity along Eglinton Avenue is ~75-85 passenger car equivalent spaces	Off-peak parking and load street Total parking and loading of is ~140-150 passenger car
Support for CaféTO	Preferred Compatible with CaféTO on the side with parking/loading space allocations	Less Preferred Not compatible with CaféTe capacity is accepted during



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Overview of Design Plans

Options vary throughout the corridor depending on existing roadway width, but typical sections will include the following:

- lanes in one direction
- (seasonally)
- Turn lanes at intersections (not feasible at all intersections)
- Protected cycle tracks with various buffer treatments

HOW TO READ DESIGN PLANS



At least one travel lane per direction; some sections can accommodate two travel

On-street parking or loading on one or both sides and space for CaféTO applicants



Roll plans are available for comment. Sticky notes are provided so you may share ideas about specific locations.

Two types of treatments are being considered at bus stop locations:



Green painted bus stop Buses transition next to the sidewalk and stop in the cycle track

Raised bus/bike platform People cycling must yield to people boarding / alighting buses by waiting at the designated space before the platform



Map Overview | Proposed Cross Sections



Delivered by Crosslinx, outside of EglintonTOday scope

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Visit the roll plans to review proposed lane configuration block-by-block. Sticky notes are provided so you may share ideas about specific locations.



Parking and Loading Impacts



- design development



Example of loading zone on side street



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•An online survey for businesses along Eglinton Avenue and intersecting side streets was conducted to gather information about loading, deliveries, and accessible pick up and drop offs. •Responses received from 167 businesses, providing information on loading needs to inform the

• The following loading options are considered in the proposed design: Dedicated loading areas (full-time) on Eglinton Avenue

•Off-peak parking / loading on Eglinton Avenue

 Informal loading on Eglinton Avenue in hatched areas after intersections •Loading area on nearby side street

•Other location-specific loading strategy (i.e. via laneway)

A holistic review of parking availability was conducted for the sections of Eglinton Avenue that are most constrained to identify alternative parking and loading locations along side streets.

Goal of maintaining a balanced approach to side street use:

- Residential parking
- Business visitor parking
- Business loading/pick up and drop off where space is not available on Eglinton Avenue





Public Realm Improvements: Parkettes



- Active and Passive Spaces
- Painted Hardscape for Visual Interest

Parkettes are **"mini-parks"** typically located at intersections or within the road right-of-way that provide opportunities to enhance the public realm. Through a review of public spaces and input from stakeholders, the following locations were identified for future parkettes, with enhanced seating, plants, and art installations.

Candidate Preferred Parkette Locations





- Temporary
 Materials and
 Seating Elements
- Native Seasonal Planting
- Adaptable
 Streetscape





We want your input on the preliminary preferred parkette locations. Roll plans are available for comment. Sticky notes are provided so you may share ideas.



Construction Timing and Next Steps

According to Metrolinx, construction-related equipment and activities on the roadway will be removed by the end of April 2023, with the exception of Cedarvale Station (Allen Rd interchange) and the section between Avenue Road and Yonge Street, which are anticipated to be completed in the summer of 2023.

Transportation Services is currently planning:

- road resurfacing along with the complete streets changes
- sidewalk and utility cut repairs in high priority locations as required

The EglintonTOday proposed recommendation is anticipated to go to City Council in June 2023.







Glen Cedar Road Contra-flow Bike Lane



The proposed contra-flow will allow people cycling to travel both ways along the one-way section of Glen Cedar between Eglinton Avenue and Dewbourne Avenue, so they can easily connect to Cedarvale Ravine.



and more comfortable to connect to Eglinton Avenue and Cedarvale Ravine.





Jimmy Wisdom Way Contra-flow Bike Lane



The proposed contra-flow will allow people cycling to travel both ways along Jimmy Wisdom Way, so they can easily connect between Eglinton Avenue and the York Beltline Trail.

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- You would be able to travel both north and south on Jimmy Wisdom Way, making it easier and more comfortable to connect to Eglinton Avenue and the York Beltline Trail. Between Eglinton Avenue and Belgravia Avenue, bike lanes are proposed for people cycling
- northbound (Image A).
- Bike signal heads and other accessibility enhancements are being considered at the intersection of Eglinton Avenue/Northcliffe Boulevard/Jimmy Wisdom Way to improve safety and connectivity for people walking and people cycling.





Croham Road Contra-flow Bike Lane



people cycling to travel both ways along Croham Road, so they can easily connect between t Eglinton Avenue, the new LRT Caledonia station, and the York Beltline Trail. 50

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If you walk or cycle:

- You would be able to travel both north and south on Croham Road, making it easier and more comfortable to connect to Eglinton Avenue and the York Beltline Trail
- A new traffic signal with bike signal heads and other accessibility enhancements are being considered at the intersection of Eglinton Avenue and Croham Road to improve safety and connectivity for people walking and people cycling.



