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ITEM - 10

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Subject:

FW: GTA West Transportation Corridor Route Planning and Environmental Assessment

Study - Stage 2

Attachments:

GTA West Comment Sheet.pdf; GTA West Corridor October 28 2019.pdf; GTA Corridor

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Subject: FW: GTA West Transportation Corridor Route Planning and Environmental Assessment Study - Stage 2

This is correspondence for the Nov 12 CW(2) item re GTA West Corridor. Please include.

Thanks.

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Subject: GTA West Transportation Corridor Route Planning and Environmental Assessment Study - Stage 2

Good afternoon Mayor Bevilacqua; Regional Councillors, and Councillors: Please find attached our comment sheet as well as our letters (both 2019 and 2015) outlining our concerns with regards to the proposed preferred route.

Please note under separate cover these documents have been sent to The Honourable Caroline Mulroney, The Honourable Steven Lecce, and Ms. Britta Patkowski of AECOM.

With thanks Kathryn Angus, President, Kleinburg & Area Ratepayers' Assoc.

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Public Information Centre #2 Comment Sheet GTA WEST Transportation Corridor Route Planning and Environmental Assessment Study—Stage 2

Thank you for taking the time to provide your feedback regarding the information presented at Public Information Centre #2 for the GTA West Study.

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October 28, 2019

To: Minister of Transportation, S. Lecce, Mayor, Regional Councillors, Councillors

Re: GTA West Corridor Route Planning and Environmental Assessment Study

The Kleinburg & Area Ratepayers' Association would like to offer the following comments, referring specifically to that part of the proposed highway that will pass through the municipality of Vaughan. This follows our letter dated January 19, 2015 to the Hon. Steven Del Duca, copy attached.

KARA would like to state that further to our written comments being submitted on the GTA West Transportation Corridor and Route Planning and Environmental Study — Stage 2, Comment Sheet (copy attached) we would like to emphasize our preference for Route S8-1 in the Section 8 area as it would better serve the growth areas of Bolton, Nobleton and Schomber, would expedite traffic accessibility and would be less invasive to greenbelt and agricultural lands. We feel that there would be a negative impact to existing and future Kleinburg residents as it relates to the preferred Route (S8-3 S8-2) in Section 8.

Some of the items from our previous letter which are still outstanding and would need to be addressed are: how are the existing wildlife corridors going to be preserved; how is reduced forest cover to be replaced; how are the six species at risk to be protected etc.

We also believe that land acquisition costs presumably would be less for route S8-1 than route S9-1. It is also noted that the portion of (Section 9) Route S9-1 (preferred route) that is EAST of Pine Valley to Hwy400 could still be used as that would shift the highway further north than (Section 8) Route S8-1. On the west end, in the Highway 50-Huntingdon Rd.-Nashville Rd triangle, that the Interchange be routed closest to Highway 50.

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Regards

Kathryn Angus, President

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January 19, 2015

Hon. Steven Del Duca, MPP Vaughan, Ontario Minister of Transportation

GTA West Project Team

City of Vaughan Council 2141 Major Mackenzie Drive Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1

York Region 17250 Yonge Street Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 6Z1 Attention: Transportation Services Committee

Re: GTA West Corridor Planning

A number of members from our Kleinburg and Area Ratepayer's Association (KARA) attended the recent Public Information Centre regarding the GTA West Corridor planning. We offer the following comments, referring specifically to that part of the highway and transitway that will pass through the municipality of Vaughan.

Many residents in Vaughan, especially those who live in the northern part of the City, would prefer that the highway be built further north where it does not despoil Greenbelt and agricultural lands to the extent it would in Vaughan. However, assuming that the highway and transitway will be built within the established study area, we would like to see them built as far north as possible to minimize the effects of noise and pollution on existing and proposed built-up areas to the south. The Greenbelt surrounding the Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District is a significant component of the rural nature and heritage of the district. Specifically, to minimize the impact of a new highway on the heritage district, we believe route options 427A, 7F, 8B and 9B should be chosen.

Regarding interchange locations, the interchange at Highway 27 seems appropriate to give access to Nobleton, Kleinburg and Nashville. However, we suggest the interchange proposed at Pine Valley Drive would be much better located at Weston Road. Pine Valley Drive is a 2-lane road which only runs for a very short distance to the north and to nowhere in particular in the South. Weston Road is a 4-lane road from the south almost to the corridor and will provide a means of quickly accessing the planned industrial areas adjacent to Highway 400 north and south of the corridor.

We felt that the Public information Centre did not provide nearly enough information regarding proposals to mitigate the effects of the roads and structures running through

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the Greenbelt. Vaughan is already deficient in its preservation of its natural heritage network and this project will exacerbate the situation. A number of questions come to mind:

- 1. How are existing wildlife corridors going to be preserved?
- 2. How is reduced forest cover going to be replaced?
- 3. How are the six species at risk to be protected?
- 4. How is connectivity to be maintained?
- 5. What structures are proposed?
- 6. What additional upgrades will be made to city and regional roads (e.g. Highway 27) as a result of this project?

We didn't see any of this information at the information Centre that would enable the public to assess the environmental effects of the project and participate in deciding on alternatives.

Sincerely,

Ken Schwenger

President, KARA - on behalf of the KARA Board

ITEM - 10

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FW: Item #10 Committee of the Whole Nov. 12, 2019 - Comments Regarding the GTA

West Corridor Alignment - Huntington Road Community

Attachments:

2019 11 08 Presentation to Vaughan COW re Item 10 GTA West Alignment.pdf

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Subject: RE: Item #10 Committee of the Whole Nov. 12, 2019 - Comments Regarding the GTA West Corridor Alignment -

Huntington Road Community

All,

Further to the letter provided earlier today, please find attached the presentation slides for Don's deputation on Nov. 12th.

We will also have the slides loaded on a USB key if necessary.

Regards,

Ashley Barter BES

Planner



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Subject: Item #10 Committee of the Whole Nov. 12, 2019 - Comments Regarding the GTA West Corridor Alignment - Huntington Road Community

Good Morning,

Please find attached comments submitted on behalf of the land owners who own the lands south of Kirby Road and east of Huntington Road, known as the Kleinberg-Nashville Secondary Plan Huntington Road Community, regarding

Item #10 on the Committee of the Whole agenda for November 12, 2019. Don Given will be making a deputation regarding this item at the meeting. A presentation will be provided to Clerks prior to the meeting.

We would appreciate if a copy of this letter is distributed to the Mayor and members of Council prior to the meeting. Regards,

Ashley Barter BES Planner



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November 8, 2019

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Mayor and Members of Council City of Vaughan 2141 Major Mackenzie Drive, Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1

via email: clerks@vaughan.ca

Attention: City Clerk's Office

RE: Request for Deputant Status in Response to Item # 10 - City of Vaughan

Committee of the Whole, November 12, 2019
GTA West Transportation Corridor Route Planning

Kleinberg-Nashville Secondary Plan, Huntington Road Community

Malone Given Parsons Ltd. is the planning consultant to the land owners who own the lands south of Kirby Road and east of Huntington Road, known as the Kleinberg-Nashville Secondary Plan Huntington Road Community (Focus Area 2) within the City of Vaughan (the "Huntington Road Community") (see Attachment 1).

The purpose of this letter is to provide comments, on behalf of the land owners, with respect to Section S8-3 of the GTA West Corridor Technically Preferred Alternative ("Route S8-3") in response to *Item #10 – Committee of the Whole, November 12, 2019* regarding City staff's recommendations regarding the same.

As shown in Attachment 2, Route S8-3 frustrates the development of the Huntington Road Community. Short Listed Route Alternative S8-1 ("Route S8-1"), shown in Attachment 3, avoids precluding the development of the approved Secondary Plan area and should be carried forward as the final route alternative for Section 8 of the GTA West Corridor.

REQUEST

I request that Council support Route S8-1 as the final route for the GTA West Corridor Alignment for the following reasons:

- Route S8-1 minimizes the impacts to developable community area lands and delivery of housing supply;
- Route S8-1 is more consistent with the York Regional Official Plan and the City of Vaughan Official Plan with respect to growth allocation and the intended alignment of the GTA West Corridor;
- 3) Route 58-1 is consistent with the Provincial Policy as it relates to maintaining settlement area boundaries and increasing housing supply; and,
- 4) Route S8-1 is consistent with Provincial Policy as it relates to ensuring planning for infrastructure and transportation projects occurs in an integrated manner;

The basis of this request is elaborated upon in the following text.

BASIS

Minimizes Impacts to Developable Community Area Lands and Delivery of Housing Supply

The preparation of the North Kleinberg-Nashville Secondary Plan was initiated in May of 2007 when City Council approved the Terms of Reference for the New Vaughan Official Plan, which identified the "Rural Areas" and "Nashville Core" in the Kleinberg-Nashville Community Plan Official Plan Amendment No. 601 ("OPA 601"), adopted in the early 2000's, as one of the Focused Area Reviews to be undertaken concurrently with the new Official Plan. OPA 601 identified the Huntington Road Community as a Rural Area land use designation within the Amendment Area Boundary (see Attachment 4). It should be noted, that since that time, the Amendment Area Boundary has become synonymous with Urban Area and/or Settlement Area in the York Region and Vaughan Official Plans. The policies of the Rural Area designation permit more urban development via amendment to the plan. This is evidenced by the development of the Nashville and Block 55 East communities which at the time, held the same Rural Area land use designation but have since developed.

Since that time, the North Kleinberg-Nashville Secondary Plan (the "Secondary Plan") was adopted by City Council in November 2012. The Secondary Plan identifies discrete land uses for the Huntington Road Community which are intended for predominantly residential development, including 1,000 residential units, retail commercial and community uses such as schools and parks (see Attachment 5). The Huntington Road Community also has servicing available and could be developed quickly to help alleviate the land shortage for housing.

Based on the above, it is clear the City has maintained the Huntington Road Community as an emerging community area intended to accommodate future growth and development.

Route S8-3 is proposed to bisect this emerging community and would essentially destroy the ability for the community to be developed (see Attachment 6). It is likely that if the alignment of Section S8-3 were implemented the Huntington Road Community would have limited developable area and would no longer be developed as a residential community due to issues associated with sensitive uses proximal to the highway (i.e. noise). This would result in a displacement of allocated population and dwelling units that would need to be accommodated elsewhere within the City, for which the land use planning processes have not yet necessarily been completed, thereby delaying the timing of delivery for units to accommodate projected populations. Furthermore, in anticipation for development servicing investments have already been made to provide servicing infrastructure to the Huntington Road Community. If Route S8-3 were to be implemented the capital investments associated with providing servicing infrastructure to the Huntington Road Community would be of limited or no value.

Route S8-1 would locate the alignment of the GTA West Corridor north of the approved Huntington Road Community, and into whitebelt and Greenbelt Plan areas. This alignment would ensure the Huntington Road Community which has been approved and has servicing available, could be developed in a timely manner to accommodate population growth. Furthermore, acquiring land for the alignment will require the Province to pay market value for the lands anticipated to accommodate the GTA West Corridor. The market value for lands anticipated for development has reached a value of several million dollars per acre, whereas, Greenbelt or whitebelt lands are a fraction of the cost to acquire.

RE: Comments in Response to GTA West Transportation Corridor Route Planning Item # 10 – City of Vaughan Committee of the Whole, November 12, 2019 Kleinberg-Nashville Secondary Plan, Huntington Road Community

Consistency with the York Regional Official Plan and the City of Vaughan Official Plan with respect to growth allocation and the intended alignment of the GTA West Corridor

BBoth the York Regional Official Plan (2010) ("YROP") and the City of Vaughan Official Plan (2010) ("VOP") identify the Subject Lands as within the Settlement Area Boundary and contemplate the lands to accommodate a portion of the Region's 2031 growth and development (see Attachment 7 and 8 respectively).

As shown in Attachments 9, 10 and 11, the YROP, the Region's Transportation Master Plan 2016 and the VOP have anticipated that any extension of the Future GTA West Transportation Corridor would have regard for land use planning initiatives and would ensure that the alignment did not interfere with community areas intended to accommodate 2031 growth allocations.

The alignment of Route S8-3 ignores the planning that has been conducted to date by both the upper- and lower-tier municipalities as well as, their obligations to achieve the Province's population allocation to 2031.

Route S8-1 proposes an alignment that is more consistent with the land use planning initiatives conducted by both the Region of York and City of Vaughan and would not disrupt the population assignments that have already been conducted to accommodate population growth to 2031.

Consistency with the Provincial Policy as it relates to maintaining settlement area boundaries and increasing housing supply

It is the policy of both the Provincial Policy Statement ("PPS") 2014 and Draft 2019, that communities should be sustained by "avoiding development and land use patterns that would prevent the efficient expansion of settlement areas in those areas which are adjacent or close to settlement areas..." (Section 1.1.1.d). These policies indicate it is the Province's priority to respect settlement area boundaries and their efficient expansion, of which the Huntington Road Community is a prime example.

The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing made clear the intention to increase housing supply and housing affordability in a statement made on May 2, 2019, "More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan is a full-spectrum suite of legislative changes to increase the supply of housing that is affordable and provide families with more meaningful choices on where to live, work and raise their families..." (see Attachment 12).

Route S8-3 would bisect the Huntington Road Community thereby preventing the efficient development of an existing settlement area and further would limit, or delay, the delivery of housing which is contrary to Provincial Policy and the Minister's direction to increase housing supply.

Route S8-1 proposes an alignment that would maintain the integrity of the Huntington Road Community settlement area and provide the opportunity to assist in achieving the Minister's direction to increase housing supply in a timely manner.

Consistency with Provincial Policy as it relates to ensuring planning for Infrastructure and transportation projects occurs in an integrated manner

The 2019 Draft of the PPS provides policies that promote "... the integration of land use planning, growth management, transit-supportive development, intensification and infrastructure planning to achieve cost-effective development patterns..." (Section 1.1.1.e).

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Although the 2019 PPS policies are in draft, they are consistent with the policies of A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2019 (the "Growth Plan) which is in effect. It is the policy of the Growth Plan that "...Planning for new or expanded infrastructure will occur in an integrated manner, including evaluations of long-range scenario-based land use planning, environmental planning and financial planning, and will be supported by relevant studies..." (Section 3.2.1.2). Further policies 3.2.1.1 and 3.2.2.1 of the Growth Plan require infrastructure and transportation planning be co-ordinated with land use planning.

Furthermore, with respect to infrastructure corridors it is the policy of the Growth Plan that "The planning, location, and design of planned corridors and the land use designations along these corridors will support the policies of this Plan, in particular that development is directed to settlement areas..." (Section 3.2.5.2).

Based on the above, it is clear that it is the Province's priority to ensure various planning initiatives work together to optimize results and in particular, require that such infrastructure and transportation projects specifically be coordinated with land use and fiscal planning processes.

Selection of Route S8-3 would result in an alternative that seems to disregard in force and effect land use planning initiatives and cost-efficiency related to the costs associated with land acquisition.

As mentioned, Route S8-1 proposes an alignment that would push the alignment north of the Huntington Road Community which would result in an alternative that is more consistent with Provincial Policy as it provides consideration for land use planning initiatives and fiscal responsibility.

CONCLUSION

As discussed above, Rou'te S8-3 essentially eliminates the potential development of the Huntington Road Community. I therefore request that Route S8-1 be carried forward as the final route alternative for Section 8 of the GTA West Corridor as it appears that Route S8-3 has not given consideration to delivering housing to accommodate 2031 population allocations, it ignores the long history of planning undertaken by both York Region and the City of Vaughan, and fails to take into account that infrastructure investments made in anticipation of residential development will be wasted. Furthermore, it appears that the Province's objectives to increase housing supply have not been considered when S8-3 was identified through the Environmental Assessment process, nor were the costs of acquiring lands planned for urban growth versus the lesser cost of Greenbelt and whitebelt lands if the alignment were to be moved northward.

Furthermore, I ask that Council's of the City of Vaughan and Region of York continue to support an alignment in accordance with the YROP and VOP which is best represented by Route S8-1; and, that this letter be forwarded to the Region as part of the City's response to the Ministry of Transportation with respect to the GTA West Corridor Alignment.

Finally, I will be in attendance at the November 12th Committee of the Whole Meeting and intend to speak to this letter in response to Item #10 and that a copy of this letter be distributed to the Mayor and Members of Council in advance of the November 12th meeting.

I thank you for the opportunity to provide our input and look forward to working with you and your staff throughout this process. I would appreciate being added to the circulation list for any new information with respect to the GTA West Corridor as it arises.

RE: Comments in Response to GTA West Transportation Corridor Route Planning Item # 10 – City of Vaughan Committee of the Whole, November 12, 2019 Kleinberg-Nashville Secondary Plan, Huntington Road Community

If you have any questions, or would like to meet to discuss the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

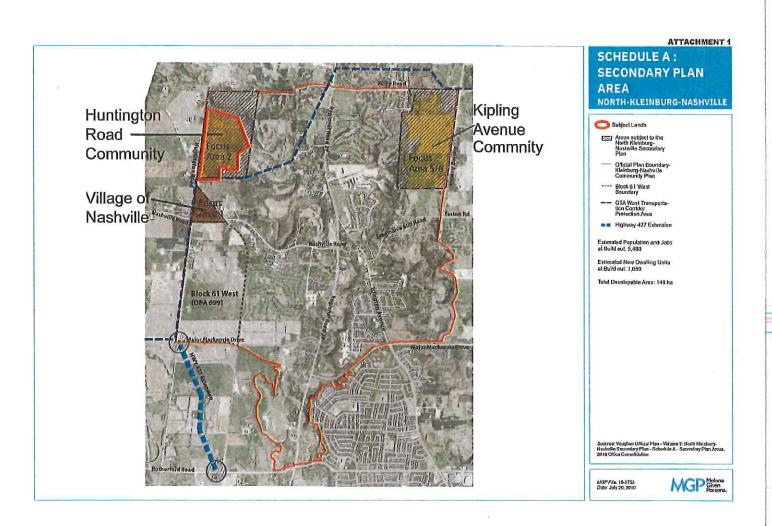
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Malone Given Parsons Ltd.

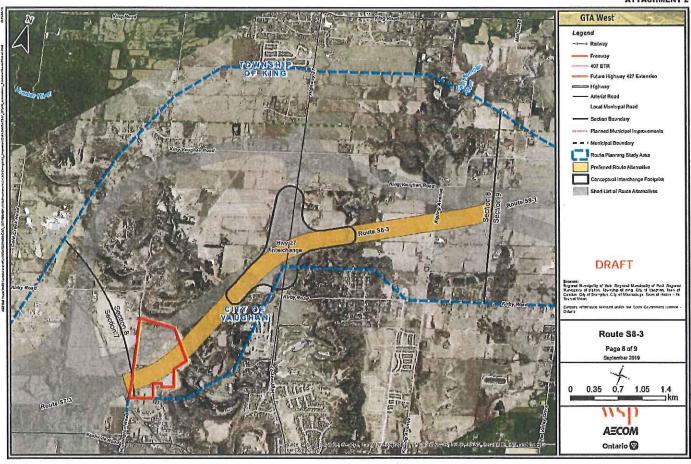
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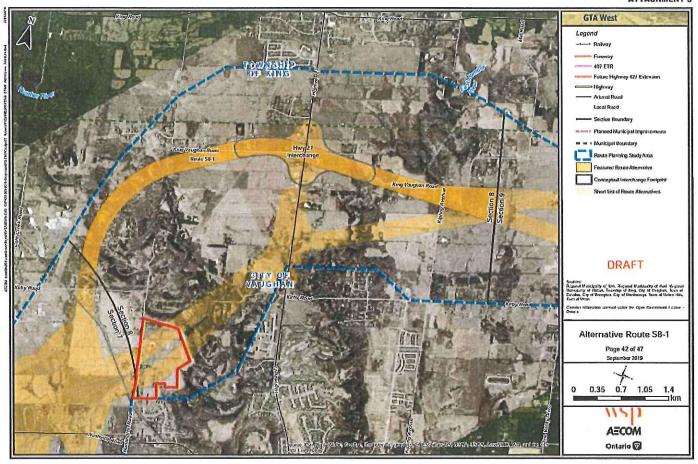
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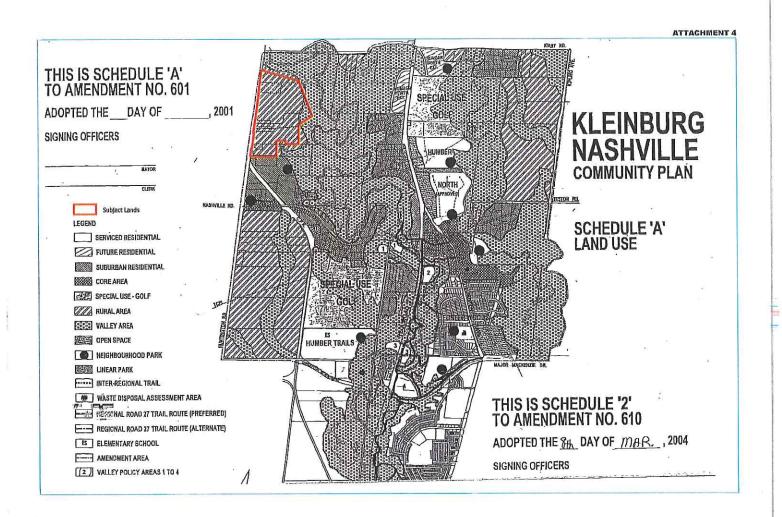


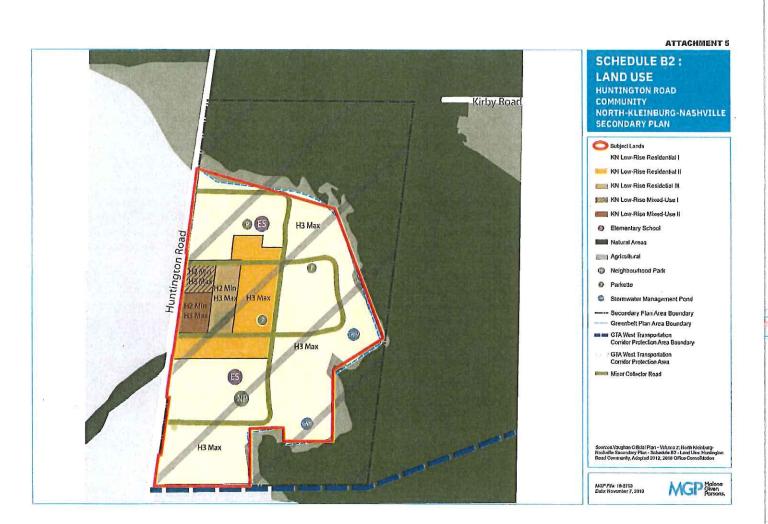
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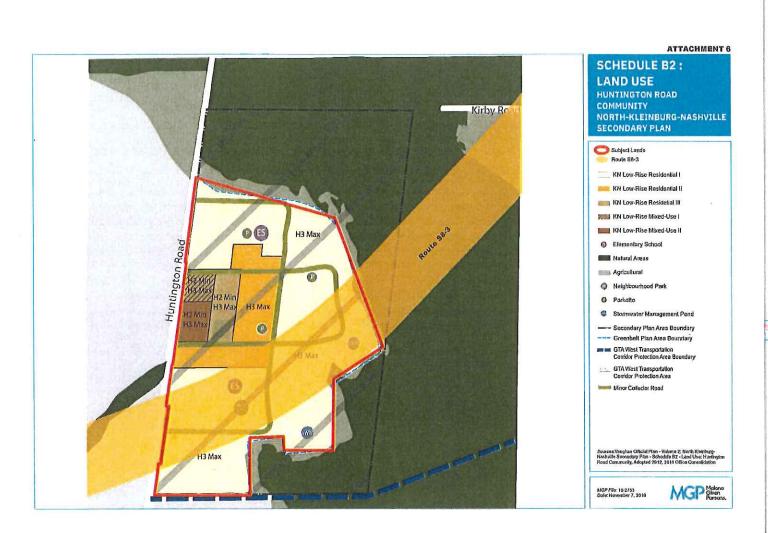


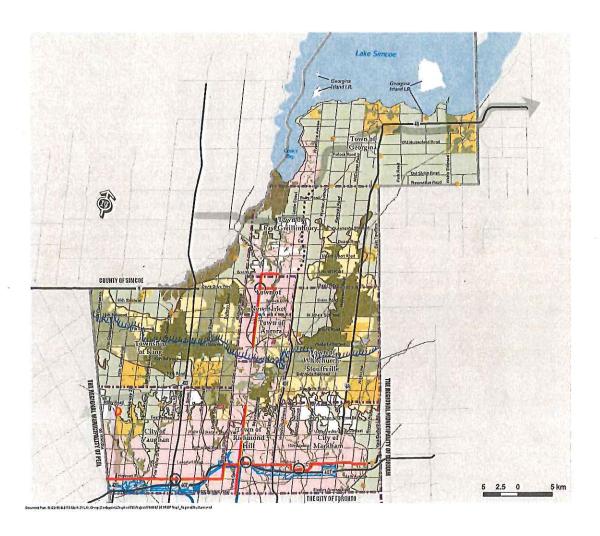
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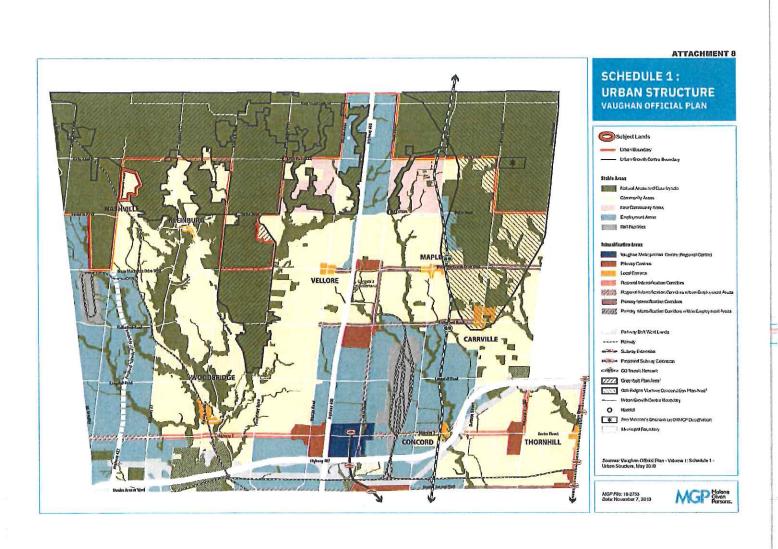
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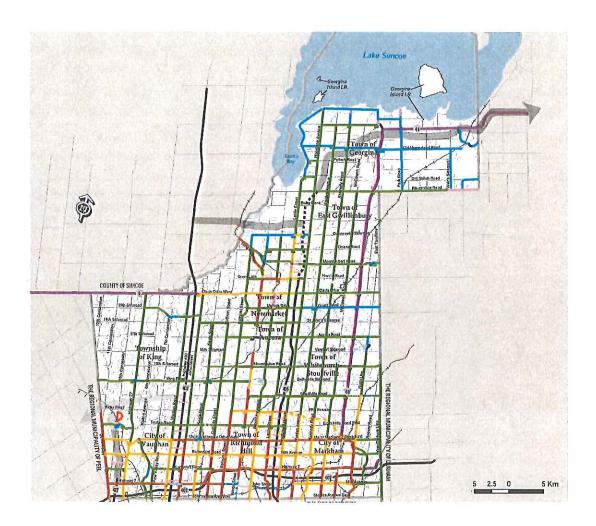
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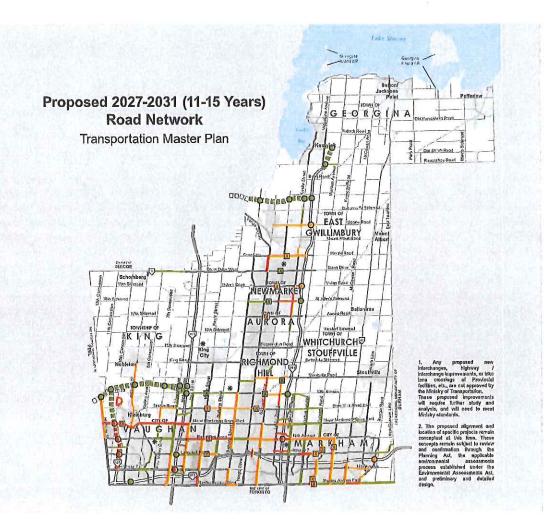
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ATTACHMENT 10

MAP 18

Thursday, May 12, 2016

Road Phasing

2017 - 2021

2022 - 2026

2027 - 2031 2032 - 2041

Grade Separations Phasing

2017 - 2021

☑ 2022 - 2026

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2032 - 2041

Interchange Improvements Phasing (to be confirmed by MTO)

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Note:

* Special Study Area

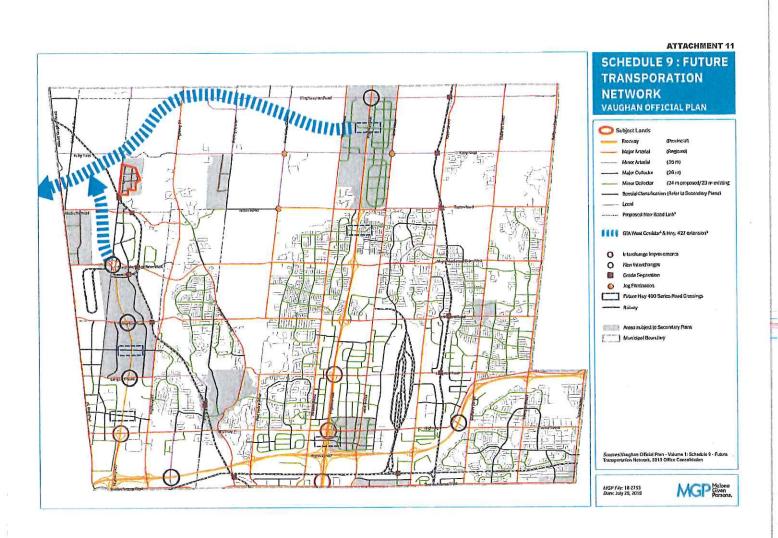
BASE MAP INFORMATION

Provincial Freeway
Provincial Highway

Road

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Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Ontario's Government for the People to Make Home Ownership Affordable for More Ontario Families

More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan will cut red tape, build more housing and increase number of affordable homes

May 2, 2019 10:30 A.M.

TORONTO - Today, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing revealed More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan. People struggling to find affordable housing that fits their family budget will see real relief and real choices thanks to the Ontario Government's comprehensive housing supply action plan.

More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan is a full-spectrum suite of legislative changes to increase the supply of housing that is affordable and provide families with more meaningful choices on where to live, work and raise their families.

"We've heard loud and clear from families across Ontario that finding housing that is affordable takes too long and costs too much," said Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. "After years of neglect by the former government, there is now a housing crisis in Ontario and the dream of ownership is out of reach for too many. Our plan will make it easier to build the right type of homes in the right places, giving Ontarians and their families more flexibility when looking for a home they can afford."

Minister Clark highlighted that the Housing Supply Action Plan will require a provincewide effort that includes municipalities, nonprofits and private industry and will also be a comprehensive all-of-government initiative that will include legislative amendments to 13 government Acts. Minister Clark was joined by Raymond Cho, Minister for Seniors and Accessibility.

The new measures proposed in **More Homes, More Choice** would streamline the overly complex development approvals process to remove unnecessary duplication and barriers, making costs and timelines more predictable. The plan would also streamline and simplify the process for creating new rental housing options.

As part of the action plan, our government is also launching A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe to address the needs of the region's growing population, diversity and local priorities.

More Homes, More Choice introduces new measures, across multiple ministries that focus on five themes: Speed, Cost, Mix, Rent and Innovation that will improve housing supply and affordability, while protecting health and safety, a vibrant agricultural sector and the environment

- including the Greenbelt. The increase in construction activity that will result from the action plan will also spur new investment and create thousands of private sector construction jobs.

"Whether you are a first-time homebuyer, a family looking for a larger apartment to rent or a senior hoping to downsize, our action plan puts people first," said Minister Clark. "Combined with our government's investment in renewed community housing, our Housing Supply Action Plan is sending a clear message that no matter what your situation you can count on our government to always put people first."

QUICK FACTS

- More Homes, More Choice was informed by a broad public consultation that included feedback from the public, as well as business and industry, research and development sectors, municipalities, the agricultural and environmental sector and many others. The government received more than 2,000 submissions and 85 per cent came from the public.
- 83 per cent of Ontario households couldn't afford the average price of a resale home in 2018, according to ministry estimates.
- It takes approximately 10 years to complete either a low-rise or high-rise development project in the Greater Toronto Area.
- Adding 10,000 housing starts per year is estimated to grow real GDP by 0.3 per cent and create about 15,000 new jobs over three years.
- Over the last 20 years, less than seven per cent of all housing built in Ontario was purpose-built rentals. The province's overall rental vacancy rate in 2018 was 1.8 per cent, close to historical lows (three per cent is considered a healthy market).

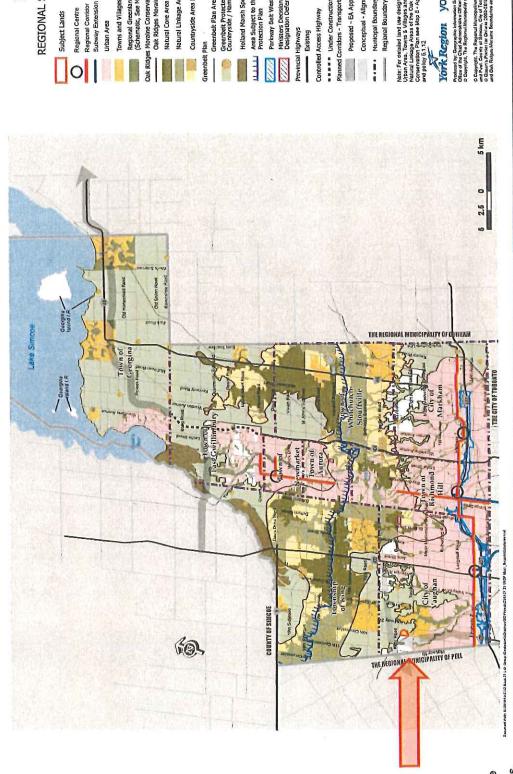
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Committee of the Whole - Item #10 GTA West Corridor Alignment

Date: November 12, 2019

Presented By: Don Given, RPP, MCIP



MAP 1

REGIONAL STRUCTURE

Subject Lands
O Regional Centre
Regional Corridor
Subvay Extension

Regional Comidor Subway Extension

Towns and Village

Urban Area

Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan
Oak Ridges Noraine Boundary Natural Core Area Designation

Countryside Area Designation / Natural Linkage Area Design

Holland Marsh Specialty Crop Area

Greenbelt Plan Area Boundan

Area Subject to the Lake Simcor Protection Plan Parkway Belt West Plan

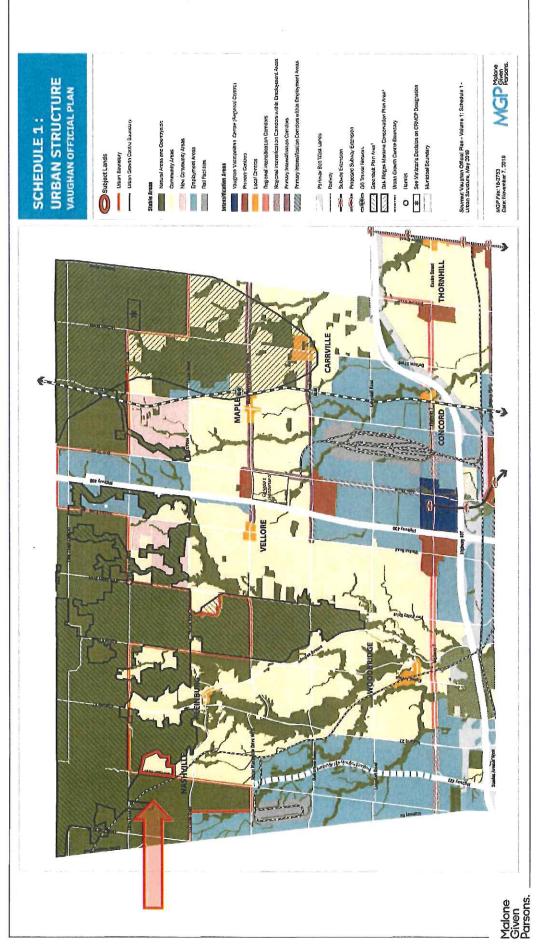
Controlled Access Highway

Proposed - EA Approved

Conceptual - Alignment Not Defined Municipal Boundary

--- Regional Boundan

Note: For detailed land use designations outsid Urban Area, Towns & Villages and Natural Core Notes and Natural Livelage Areas of the Oak Ridges Moral Conservation Plan see Map 8 - Agriccifural and and polley 5.1.12





SCHEDULE B2:

HUNTINGTON ROAD
COMMUNITY
NORTH-KLEINBURG-NASHVILLE LAND USE



SECONDARY PLAN

KN Low-Rise Residential

KN Low-Rise Residential II KN Low-Rise Residenal III

KN Low-Rise Mixec-Use

KN Low-Rise Mixed-Use II

Elementary School

Natural Areas

Neighbourhood Park Agricultural

Parkotte

Stormwater Management Pond

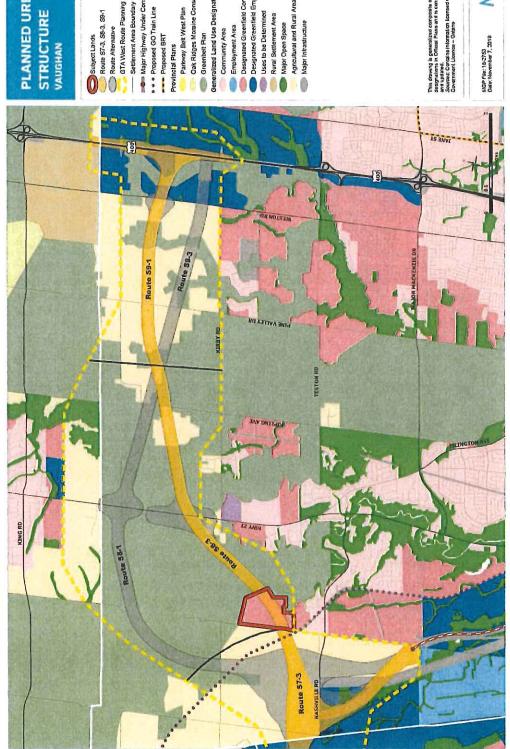
---- Secondary Plan Area Boundary
---- Greenbelt Plan Area Boundary

Corridor Protection Area Boundary

GTA West Transportation Corridor Protection Area Minor Collector Road Spirres/Vaughan Official Plan - Volume 2. North Kleinburg-Nashville Besondary Plan - Schedule 82 - Land Use: Hundington Road Community, Adopted 2013, 2018 Office Consolidation

MOP File: 18-2753 Date: November 7, 2019

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PLANNED URBAN STRUCTURE

GTA West Route Planning Study Area

- Major Highway Under Cor

Provincial Plans
Parkway Belt West Plan
Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan

Generalized Land Use Designation

Community Area
Employment Area
Designated Greenfield Community Area
Designated Greenfield Employment Area

Uses to be Determined

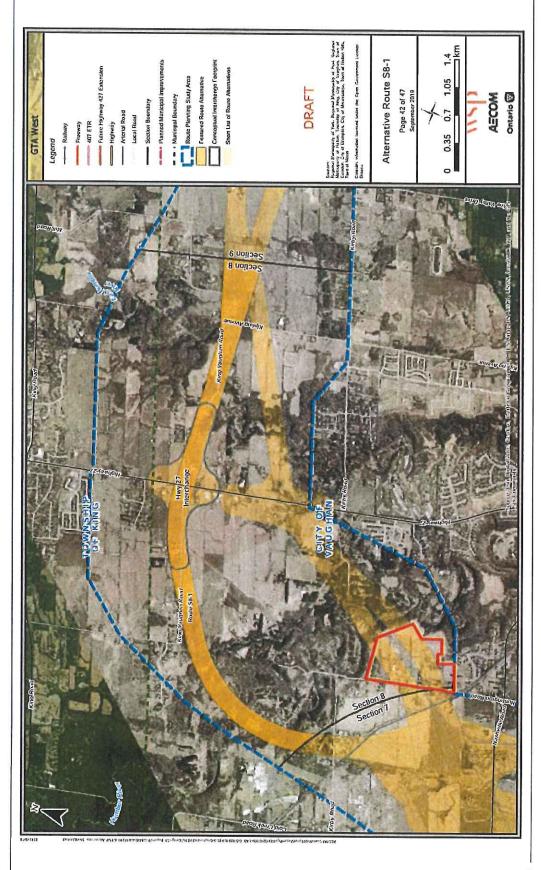
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DATE: NOVEMBER 11, 2019

TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM: TODD COLES, CITY CLERK

RE: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (2) – NOVEMBER 12, 2019

ITEM NO. 7

USE OF CORPORATE RESOURCES FOR ELECTION PURPOSES

POLICY

Purpose

To recommend the addition of a definition for "Public Official" to the proposed <u>Use of</u> Corporate Resources for Election Purposes Policy.

Recommendation

1. That the following definition be included in the <u>Use of Corporate Resources for Election Purposes Policy:</u>

"Public Official: An elected office holder including a Member of Parliament, Member of Provincial Parliament, member of a municipal council or a school board trustee."

Background

Through consultation with various stakeholders, it has been identified that the draft policy does not include a definition for Public Official. Public Officials are referenced in Section 3.2 of the Use of Corporate Resources for Election Purpose Policy with respect to making remarks at City events, in their official capacity. For reasons of clarity, a definition of Public Official will ensure that there is no confusion as to who is considered a Public Official for the purposes of applying the policy.

Conclusion

A definition of a Public Official was not included in the draft Use of Corporate Resources for Election Purpose Policy. It is recommended that a definition be included to ensure a clear and consistent application of the policy.

For more information, contact Evan Read, Manager, Elections and Special Projects, ext. 8241

Respectfully submitted,

Todd Coles City Clerk

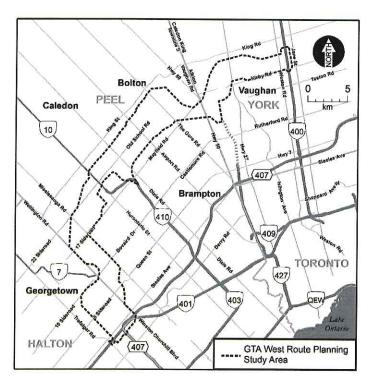


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STUDY OVERVIEW



June 2019: GTA West Study resumed

- GTA West Study will protect lands for a future multimodal transportation corridor
- Northwest GTA Corridor Identification Study discontinued
- Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines and Independent Electricity System Operator initiated a separate study to identify an adjacent electricity transmission corridor

Stage 2: GTA West Study focuses on a new multimodal transportation corridor:

- Extending from Highway 400 in the east to the Highway 401/407 ETR interchange area in the west
- Includes a 400-series highway, transitway, and potential goods movement priority features





PLANNING WITH VISION, PLANNING FOR PEOPLE

- The need for the GTA West Study remains and is strengthened by the GGH population and employment growth forecasts, reflecting more people and jobs by 2041. It is good practice to do long-range planning for areas under development pressure
- Committed to an open and transparent process that provides opportunities for all stakeholders to help shape the outcome of the project
- Strive to arrive at a recommended solution that provides the best balance of benefits and impacts for the local communities and the users of the transportation system

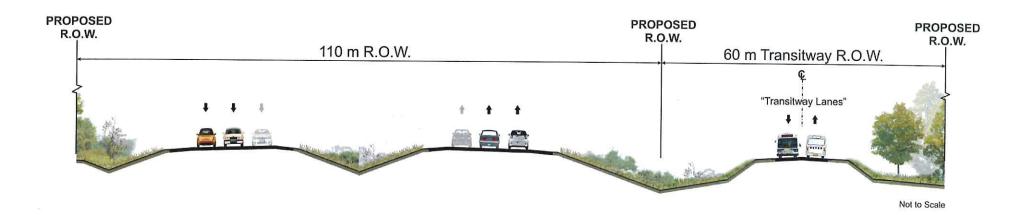
To accomplish this, we are committed to engaging our municipal and agency partners in open two-way communication that leads to meaningful discussions, proactive information exchange and a constructive working relationship





THE NEW MULTIMODAL CORRIDOR

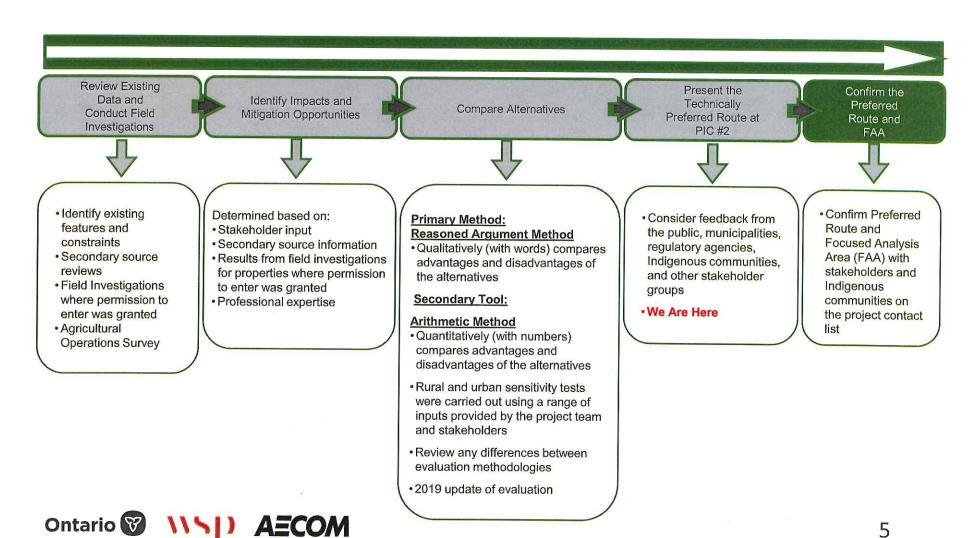
- The multimodal transportation corridor will initially be designed as a 4- to 6-lane highway with a separate adjacent transitway
- The total proposed right-of-way (ROW) will be 170m





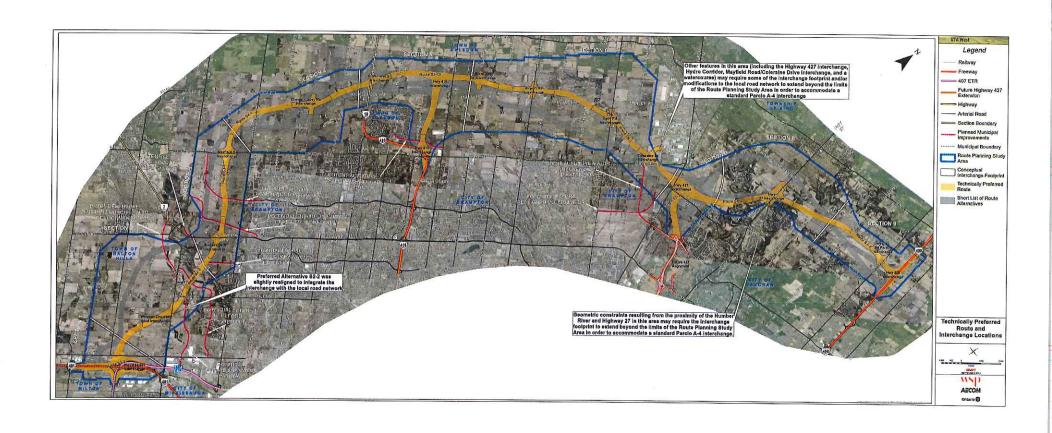


ROUTE EVALUATION PROCESS





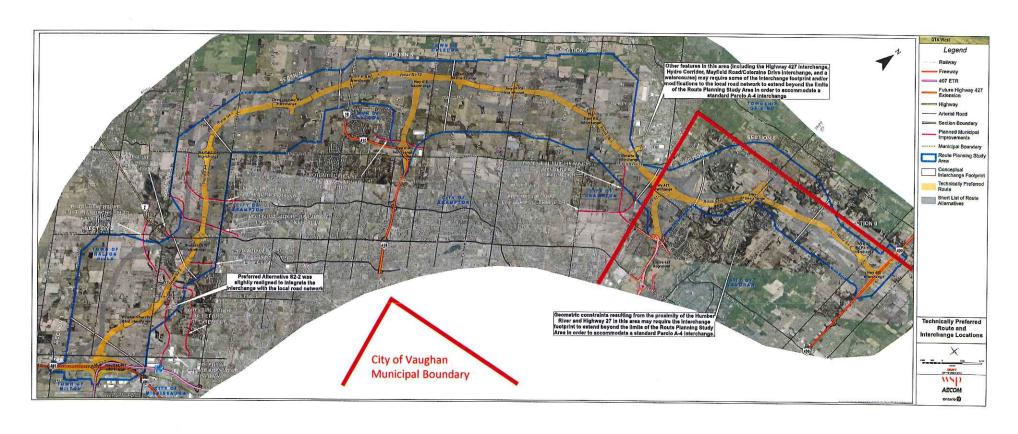
TECHNICALLY PREFERRED ROUTE







TECHNICALLY PREFERRED ROUTE







SECTION 7 PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE: S7-3

The Project Team identified the best route east and west of the hydro corridor and then compared them to select the overall preferred route for Section 7.

The preferred route west of the hydro corridor was Alternative S7-3. The preferred route east of the hydro corridor was Alternative S7-9. Alternative S7-3 is preferred overall versus S7-9:

- Less impacts to groundwater sensitive ecosystems and wellhead protection areas
- Less noise impacts to existing and proposed residences to the east
- Moderate impacts to built heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes
- Minor impacts to the hydro corridor, railway and TransCanada pipeline
- Accommodates a full moves interchange in the area of Coleraine Drive (realignment likely required to achieve an acceptable separation distance to the Highway 427 extension and optimize traffic operations to/from Coleraine Drive interchange)
- Constructability and connectivity were principle considerations in Section 7. S7-3 is considered the most constructible and it connects well to the Section 8 Humber River crossing, reducing overall environmental impacts









SECTION 8 PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE: S8-3

Preferred from Natural, Land Use / Socio-Economic and Transportation perspectives:

- Lowest overall impacts to fish and fish habitat, wildlife and wildlife habitat, woodlands and vegetation, watersheds, and surface water
- Best location with most flexibility for the Humber River crossing due to its distance from the large meander
- Impacts the least amount of Greenbelt and agricultural lands and is preferred from a provincial land use policy perspective
- Impacts more residential properties but minimizes impacts to commercial properties, avoids impacts to high-investment farming operations, and has a higher probability of avoiding a waste disposal site
- Low construction cost and is considered the most constructible









SECTION 9 PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE: S9-1

Preferred from Natural, Cultural and Transportation perspectives:

- Minimizes impacts to fish and fish habitat, designated areas and ecosystem services, with relatively simple and perpendicular watercourse crossings
- Least impact on Greenbelt lands
- Minimizes impacts to employment and future urban area lands
- Low residential property impacts
- Low potential for constructability issues
- Better angle of approach for the Highway 400 interchange





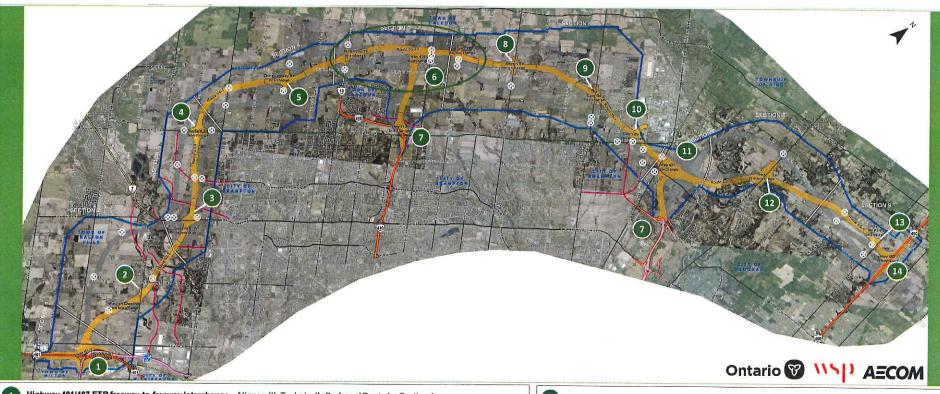


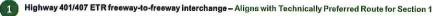


EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR SELECTING PREFERRED INTERCHANGE LOCATIONS

- Potential interchange locations along each route alternative were selected based on:
 - Level of connectivity to the highway network
 - Level of connectivity to the municipal road network and initiatives
 - Level of connectivity to transit
 - Traffic demand
 - Spacing between interchanges
- Potential interchange locations on the short list of route alternatives were discussed with municipal staff prior to the 2015 evaluation of route alternatives
- Key trade-offs between potential interchange location alternatives were considered in the evaluation of route alternatives
- After selection of the Technically Preferred Route, the potential interchange locations along that route were reviewed again using the above criteria and the preferred interchange locations were selected





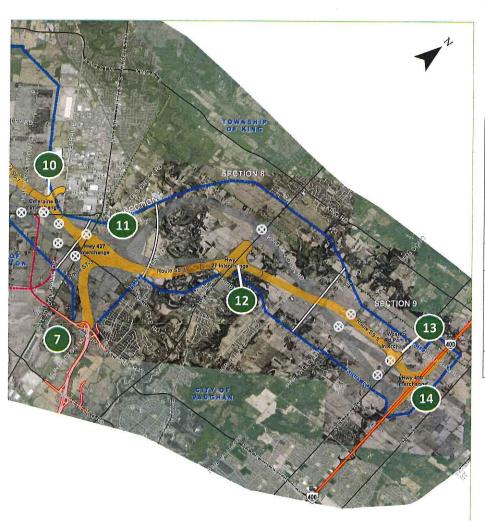


- Winston Churchill Boulevard, Tenth Line or Embleton Road Interchange: Winston Churchill Boulevard preferred
- Winston Churchill Boulevard provides better connections to urban growth centres and appropriate interchange spacing to provide desirable connections to the municipal road network
- Opportunity to integrate with future municipal road improvements such as realigned Winston Churchill Boulevard and/or Bram West Parkway (planned municipal initiative)
- Heritage Road, Bovaird Drive or Future Sandalwood Parkway Extension: Bovaird Drive preferred
- · Provides appropriate connections with the municipal road network and provides desirable interchange spacing
- · Bovaird Drive is the major east/west arterial connecting urban centres in Halton Hills and Brampton
- · Boyaird Drive provides better interchange spacing to the Winston Churchill Boulevard interchange than at Heritage Road
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- · An interchange at the future Sandalwood Parkway Extension is not precluded from future consideration by municipalities
- Mayfield Road or Mississauga Road Interchange: Mayfield Road preferred
- · Based on continuity and proximity to the GTA West Corridor, Mayfield Road is envisioned to be a key east-west route
- . There is better road geometry at Mayfield Road than at Mississauga Road
- 5 Chinguacousy Road Interchange Aligns with Technically Preferred Route for Section 4
 - Highway 410, Hurontario Street, Dixle Road and Bramalea Road Interchanges: Freeway-to-freeway interchange at New Highway 410 Connection (along the extension of Highway 410 to the north) plus Interchanges at Hurontario Street and Bramalea Road preferred
 - Since a new Highway 410 connection is preferred, a freeway-to-freeway interchange is recommended at Highway 410 in the area of Dixie Rd
 - Interchanges at Hurontario Street and Bramalea Road are spaced at a desirable distance from the freeway-to-freeway interchange and will
 provide good access to the municipal road network
 - An interchange at Dixle Road would result in undesirable grades and interchange spacing which would result in weaving concerns with the freeway-to-freeway interchange
- Modifications to Existing Highway 410/Mayfield Road and Highway 427/Major Mackenzie Drive Interchanges Aligns with Technically Preferred Routes for Sections 5 and 11

- 8 Airport Road Interchange Aligns with Technically Preferred Route for Section 6
 - 9 The Gore Road Interchange Aligns with Technically Preferred Route for Section 6
- 10 Coleraine Drive/Mayfield Road Area Interchange
 - · A full moves interchange is desirable to connect to existing and future urban growth centres
 - Local municipalities support a full interchange with a road that runs north-south (like Coleraine Drive)
 - Proximity to the GTA West/Highway 427 freeway-to-freeway interchange creates a constraint to locating the
 interchange on Coleraine Drive (not enough spacing between interchanges)
 - Proposed strategy is to realign Coleraine Drive and then provide a full interchange
- Highway 427 freeway-to-freeway Interchange and Highway 50 Interchange: Freeway-to-freeway Interchange at Highway 427 Preferred
 - Based on the Technically Preferred Route, an interchange at both Highway 427 and Highway 50 is not
 possible
- 12 Highway 27 Interchange Aligns with Technically Preferred Route for Section 8
- 13 Pine Valley Drive Interchange or Partial Interchange at Weston Road: Partial Interchange at Weston Road preferred
 - An interchange to the west of Highway 400 provides a desirable connection with the municipal road network
 - Pine Valley Drive is not continuous north or south of the study area and there are no planned urban growth centres along Pine Valley Drive
 - · Weston Road provides a connection to a planned urban growth centre
- Highway 400 freeway-to-freeway Interchange Aligns with Technically Preferred Route for Section 9



PREFERRED INTERCHANGE LOCATIONS



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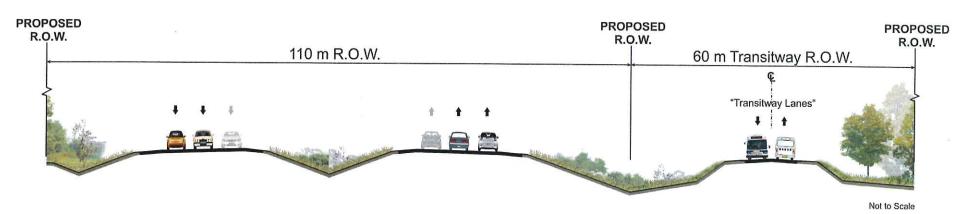
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THE GTA WEST TRANSITWAY

- The GTA West transitway will run parallel to the GTA West highway and will:
 - Allow buses (and potentially in the future, light rail vehicles) to operate on express schedules
 - Include stations at strategic locations and provide transit connections with buses onto major arterial roadways, Highway 401, 407ETR, Highway 427, Highway 410, and Highway 400
- The transitway will be further developed to confirm:
 - Alignment, roadway crossing details, terminus configurations
 - Opportunities to integrate with existing and future transit services
 - Station locations and layouts
 - Opportunities to integrate with existing and future development







GOODS MOVEMENT PRIORITY FEATURES

Potential goods movement features have been screened:

Feature Feature		Screening
Truck only lanes	1	Carry forward for further consideration
Combined truck/transit lanes	*	Do not carry forward Reduces level of service of the transitway by introducing additional traffic The transitway requires restricted access which prohibits use by other traffic
Truck use of potential HOV lanes during off-peak hours	*	No operational benefits in off-peak hours Introduces additional lane changes for trucks to access HOV Lanes
Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) features, such as variable message signs and real time traveler information	1	Carry forward for further consideration
Longer speed change lanes	1	Carry forward for further consideration
Enhanced design to accommodate Long Combination Vehicles	1	Carry forward for further consideration
Truck only interchange ramps, where warranted by truck volumes	*	Do not carry forward Creates additional enforcement requirements Interchanges are provided for key freight trip generators, and there is insufficient space for additional ramps in these areas without compromising highway design guidelines
Truck parking facilities	1	Carry forward for further consideration
Enforcement features (weigh and inspection stations), including automated weigh stations	1	Carry forward for further consideration





2019 FOCUSED ANALYSIS AREA





WHAT WE HEARD AT PIC #2

- Approx. 979 stakeholders attended, 79 written comments received
- Mixture of support and opposition for the Technically Preferred Route but majority of input was supportive:
 - The transportation corridor is needed, expedite the EA process, start construction as soon as possible
 - Protect for extra land now so that widening of the right-of-way is not required in the future
 - Concern about congestion on connecting roads (e.g. Mayfield Road, Highway 400, Highway 401, Coleraine Drive, Weston Road, etc.)
 - The transportation corridor should go west to Guelph, east past Highway 400 and be closer to Highway 9 in the north
 - Concern about impacts to nearby property owners (noise, air quality, etc.) and inquiries about mitigation measures
 - Mixed feelings about impacts to agricultural and Greenbelt lands. Some felt these features were given priority in the evaluation and appropriately influenced route selection (i.e. crossing of Credit and Humber Rivers) while others expressed concern about ability to support food production and ecosystem services
 - The interchange at Coleraine Drive in Section 6 conflicts with an approved development to the north
 - Extend Highway 427 to Highway 9 in Section 7
 - The emphasis on protecting Greenbelt lands and the Humber River in Sections 8 and 9 appropriately influenced route selection





WHAT WE HEARD AT PIC #2

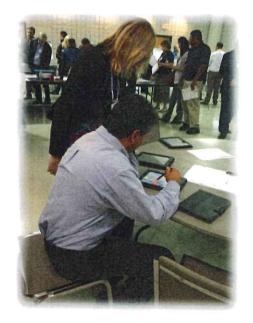
- Support for the transitway:
 - The transitway only makes sense if it connects to other mass transit systems
 - Incorporate active transportation along the transitway
 - Support for transition from BRT to LRT
 - Consider both buses and trucks using the transitway
- Support for goods movement priority features:
 - Support for truck only lanes
- Support for the 2019 Focused Analysis Area:
 - Appreciate that over 60% of the Route Planning Study Area is in the green area (area of reduced interest)
 - Inquiries about when development restrictions will be lifted
- Other:
 - Inquiries about timing of expropriation, permission to enter process, possibility of tolling, scope of separate electricity transmission study
 - Requests for digital mapping of Technically Preferred Route to understand impacts and coordinate works
 - The Project Team did a good job evaluating the route alternatives and explaining the rationale for their decisions





CONSULTATION & ENGAGEMENT

- Public Information Centres (3 rounds)
- Community workshops (4 rounds)
 - 2 rounds focused on Community Value Plans
- Ongoing consultation with Indigenous Communities
- Stakeholder advisory groups, municipal working groups, meetings with landowners, and Council presentations
- Website, email, toll-free telephone, Twitter, Ontario Government Notices and brochures









NEXT STEPS

Fall 2019	 Project Team to review and respond to comments received at PIC #2: Meetings with Indigenous communities, Advisory Groups and Regional Municipal Councils 	
Spring 2020	 Confirm the Preferred Route and Focused Analysis Area Commence preliminary design of the Preferred Route, which includes: Additional field investigations where permission to enter is granted Consultation with property owners directly impacted by the Preferred Route 	
Fall 2020 / Spring 2021	Develop Community Value Plans (the focus of Community Workshops #3 and #4)	
Spring / Summer 2021	Meetings with Indigenous communities, Advisory Groups and Regional Municipal Councils	
Fall / Winter 2021	Present the preliminary design of the Preferred Route at PIC #3	
Late 2022	Anticipated submission of Final Environmental Assessment Report to MECP	

^{*} Schedule is subject to change

