

# DUNDAS CONNECTS

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Discussion Guide 1 of 3 – Spring 2016

# Do you live or work on Dundas?

If so, you've definitely seen it change over time, and we expect that change to continue. Over the next 35 to 40 years the number of people living and working along the corridor will increase. To guide and manage this growth, the City of Mississauga is developing a longterm, future-oriented plan for the Dundas Corridor. This *Land Use and Transportation Master Plan* will guide the future look and feel of all 17 km of Dundas within Mississauga.

The Plan will take about a year to develop, from Spring 2016 to Winter 2017. It will focus on transit, landuse and public space, and will answer questions like how the City can best guide public and private investments along Dundas, what type of transit will best serve the corridor, and how to design great public spaces for people using Dundas. The plan will go to City Council for final approval.

#### **PUBLIC MEETINGS**

Good decision-making needs good information. Your ideas, opinions, and local knowledge will help us develop a Dundas that better reflects your community's needs. In the first round of public meetings, we will introduce *Dundas Connects*, and seek feedback on what you like or dislike about Dundas, and your vision for the future.

**Pick one of the five public meetings below that works best for you.** The agenda and information shared at all meetings will be the same. Each meeting will start with a 30 minute open house, which will be followed by a 30 minute presentation and 90 minute discussion. See **www.dundasconnects.ca**.



**Tuesday, Apr 19, 4:00 – 6:30 pm** South Common Community Centre, Arbour Green Room 2233 South Millway



Wednesday, Apr 20, 4:00 – 6:30 pm UTM, Davis Building, Faculty Club 1867 Inner Circle Road



Thursday, Apr 21, 1:30 – 4:00 pm Huron Park Community Centre, Iroquois Room 830 Paisley Boulevard West



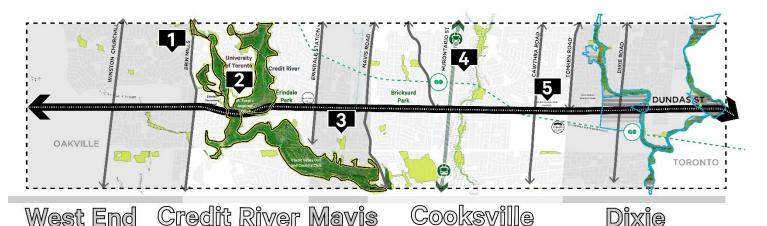
Tuesday, Apr 26, 6:30 – 9:00 pm Thornwood Public School, Gym

277 Mississauga Valley Boulevard



**Thursday, Apr 28, 4:30 – 7:00 pm** St. John's Dixie Anglican Church, Parish Hall 719 Dundas Street East

The map below shows meeting locations.



## Thinking about Dundas Today

Dundas Street exemplifies the City's diversity. Along the corridor there are stores, businesses, parks, schools, churches, and beautiful neighbourhoods. It is a major shopping destination with easy access to parking. Two major ravine systems cross Dundas. The street is also a key part of Mississauga's transportation network, with thousands of people using it every day to move around the city.

## Dundas, By the Numbers

- The 39,000 people that live within walking distance of Dundas represent a range of ethnic origins: East Indian, English, Polish, Canadian, Chinese, Scottish, Irish, Filipino, Italian, and more
- The 24,000 people who work within walking distance of Dundas are employed by a wide **range of businesses**, including retail, wholesale, warehouse, manufacturing, and professional services
- **Traffic** has increased steadily over the years, and there are key congestion points along Dundas
- Dundas is MiWay's second busiest transit corridor, with over 20,000 rides each day

## Mix of Housing





#### **Mix of Businesses and Institutions**







#### Mix of Ways People Move







## Mix of Parks, Public Spaces, Natural Areas



#### **Flooding Challenges**





## Thinking about Dundas 35 to 40 Years from Now

*Dundas Connects* will explore how to accommodate the thousands of people and jobs coming to Dundas, and that means answering questions like:

- What type of intensification is appropriate for Dundas – should the existing uses stay the same or change? Should growth be spread across the corridor or focused in certain areas?
- How can the City provide transportation choices that manage traffic and move people conveniently, affordably, and safely?
- What **type of transit** makes sense for Dundas given the number of people who will be living and working on Dundas, how people use transit today, and the role Dundas has in the broader transit network?
- How can **flood impacts** be minimized?
- What improvements can be made to the **streetscape** (e.g. trees, lighting, etc.), **parks and public realm**, and other **community uses**?
- What public resources are needed and available to **pay** for the city infrastructure needed to support growth?

#### Learning from Other Cities: Case Study: No. 3 Road in Richmond, BC



In 1973, No. 3 Road was dominated by low-rise buildings and large parking lots.

No. 3 Road Prior to Implementation of Median Bus Lanes



No. 3 Road After Implementation of Median Bus Lanes



Over time, the City moved to build rapid transit, starting with a dedicated Bus Rapid Transit system, and then the Canada Line elevated rail line. Transitoriented development followed.



## **Project Timeline and Process**

The Dundas Connects project will happen in three parts:

Part One - Spring 2016	We will introduce Dundas Connects, and look at how Dundas has changed over time, and how it could change over the next 35 to 40 years. By the end of Part One, we will have a solid understanding of Dundas today and priorities for the future.
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Part Two - Fall 2016	We will present draft options to achieve the vision identified during Part One. We will seek feedback on which options make the most sense to you and why.
Part Three - Winter 2017	We will present a draft Plan for Dundas that reflects feedback received on the different options presented during Part Two. We will seek your feedback on any final refinements you would like the City to consider.

#### The result will be a Land Use and Transportation Master Plan for Dundas. This Plan will include:

- A land use and urban design vision, including updated policies to help achieve the vision;
- A determination of the type of transit that can best be implemented on Dundas;
- Advice on how to manage the impacts of flooding; and
- Advice on streetscape design (e.g. trees, medians, lighting, street furniture).

*Note:* The Master Plan will be prepared in a matter that conforms to the requirements of Phases 1 and 2 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) approval process.

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Connect with us. Visit the Dundas Connects website to:

#### Receive project updates | Provide feedback | View meeting results

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## Part 1 Questions for you:

- 1. What do you like <u>best</u> about Dundas today? <u>Least</u>?
- 2. What is your vision for the future of the Dundas corridor?
- 3. Do you have any specific ideas you would like to see the City consider through this process?

You can answer these questions in person, provide feedback online, or by phone or by email. Your feedback will play a key role in informing decisions. <u>The deadline for Part One feedback is May 31, 2016</u>. Consultation will continue during Part Two of the process in the Fall of 2016.