From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Reid, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> November 30, 2011 8:30 AM Neil Ahmed Katherine Jim FW: My comments RE: BRT studies

From: Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2011 8:53 PM To: Reid, Jeffrey Cc: Subject: My comments RE: BRT studies

Hi there.

I will not be able to attend the BRT studies at the aformentioned date provided in the latter I received yesterday in the mail. I do have a couple of suggestions.

For Dundas street. Keep the transit priority for a bus-only lane at the curb side. Make sure the lanes are enforced to not allow any cars nor trucks to travel along any part of the lane, unless if it a turn onto an intersecting road or sidestreet.

I don't think I had found any information on the 407 inter-regional terminal. It should be included. West of Walkers Line and slightly north of Dundas where the current Park "n ride loop is located.

It is important to extend teh BRT study along Trafalgar to the 407 rather then only at Dundas.

For Trafalgar:

Best case scenario I feel is to have transit-priority where once the light turns green, not only would the bus itself make the lights change for them (as well for local buses), but to allow the buses to travel first in the intersection followed by cars.

For Brant Street:

I don't see Brant Street included in the study, other then the Dundas BRT ending there. Brant should receive transit signal priority similar to what I had described for Trafalgar to Fairview and eventually, the Burlington GO Station.

Not sure if I have any more opinions at this time.

Take care and hopefully I will attend the next series of information centres.

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 Katherine Jim

 Sent:
 July 5, 2012 9:21 AM

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 Subject:
 Dundas Street Corridor Improvement Class EA Study - Response Letter

 Attachments:
 Dundas Street Corridor Improvement Class EA Study Response N. Civiero July 4 2012.pdf

Re: Halton Region Dundas Street Corridor Improvement Class EA Study

Dear

Please find attached response letter to the comments you submitted as part of the above-noted study in November 2011.

Regards, Katherine

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The northerly limit of the Trafalgar Road Evironmental Assessment Study is at Highway 407. Studies on Trafalgar Road and Dundas Street are being coordinated. For more information about the Trafalgar Road BRT Study, please go to the study website: http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalId=8310&pageId=22703

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Yours very truly,

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Neil Ahmed, P. Eng. Project Manager

cc. Jeffrey Reid, C.E.T., Project Manager, Halton Region

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments: Reid, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> November 23. 2011 10:10 AM

Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim RE: BRT Corridor Study Notice - PIC #2 (November 24, 2011)_Final.pdf

Hi

As per our telephone conversation, below is a link to the Dundas Street BRT project web-page. If you scroll-down the page, you will find the information presented at our last Public Information Centre (PIC) #1, for both options; Curb and Median.

http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalId=8310&pageId=25607

If you are unable to attend tomorrow night's PIC (Notice attached), please check-back to the above link and we will have full preliminary preferred drawings for the Curb BRT, either last this week or early next week. I anticipate the preferred preliminary drawing will be very similar to the information presented at our last PIC.

Hope this helps and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

Thanks,

Jeff

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From: Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 3:38 PM To: Reid, Jeffrey Subject: BRT Corridor Study

Good afternoon Jeff,

I just spoke with you in regards to the "Alton Terminal" location.

I understand there is no concepts for the site at this moment, however, do you have any concepts or designs for the bus rapid transit route along Dundas Street? For instance, will the bus route be located down the centre or one side of the road etc.

Also, what exactly will you be presenting at the meeting with respect to information and design concepts of the BRT corridor along Dundas Street?

Thank you,



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RE: Dundas St. BRT Corridor Study - PIC #2 Thursday Nov. 24, 2011

From:

Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 3:34 PM

To: Reid, Jeffrey; nahmed@mrd.ca; Zervos, Nick; tom.williams@aecom.com

Subject: Dundas St. BRT Corridor Study - PIC #2 Thursday Nov. 24, 2011

Gentlemen:

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Additional recommendations can be found in the Cycling Master Plan.

I strongly urge you to consider the addition of "cycle tracks" to the Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Studies.

Thank you.

cc: Burlington Cycling Committee



Received at PIC A2

Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Trafalgar Road (Regional Road 3)

Public Information Centre #2 Thursday, November 24, 2011 Halton Region - North/South Auditorium, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville

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RE: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2

From:

Sent: Friday, November 25, 2011 11:15 AM To: Neil Ahmed; Dennis, Tim; Zamojc, Mitch Cc: LIST - Council Only; Reid, Jeffrey Subject: RE: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2

The PIC was nicely done last evening. Thank you.

I have been puzzling over the design, however. I can see the value in expanding Dundas over to Hwy 6, however, I am struggling with operating BRT beyond Bronte. It would seem to be much more logical to operate the BRT up Bronte into Milton where the majority of the Region's population growth will occur. It is not planned to happen in Burlington.

The majority of Burlington's population live south of Dundas and surrounding the QEW and GO train. It is possible that people will be interested in taking a Dundas route to get to Northern Oakville and Mississauga etc but they can do that using transit if we designed local transit routes to intersect with the BRT at Bronte. We do not need to begin spending operating budget on more empty buses. The vast majority of Burlington citizens do not use transit. It is not clear what will cause the modal split to increase above 2%. All the data suggest otherwise.

There are two strategic concerns:

- "Burlington, our Future" is committed to defending our quality of place and green space. This happens to be consistent with Ontario and Region plans. The planning attitude for BRT of "build it and they will come" is exactly inconsistent with our sincerely valued new Burlington strategic posture. Truthfully, we do not want THEM to come. It is not in our plans and we do not want them.
- 2) I was not excited by the comment that Metrolinx has allocated funding for the provision of BRT. We can see quite well what is happening in Europe as a result of excessive government debt. Ontario, with its \$250b of debt and \$16b deficit clearly needs to and appears to be speaking about bring both under control. Spending money on infrastructure that is wasteful and which seems inconsistent with all of our plans looks like a great place to begin some restraint. Nor do future generations of Halton residents need to spend operating budget on running empty buses. We are already struggling with that dilemma in Burlington. Let's show responsibility and restraint now, here.

Your comments will be appreciated.

Finally, I agree with Gene. We should put the bike tracks in the plan.

Regards

From: Sent: Friday, November 25, 2011 9:57 AM To: Neil Ahmed

Subject: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2

Dear Mr. Ahmed:

I was dismayed to learn the cycle tracks proposed for Dundas St. along the BRT corridor in PIC #1 received no mention and have morphed into an unprotected on-street alternative and/or a multi-use path.

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"A feasibility study is recommended to develop European cycle tracks on Dundas Street as part of the Rapid Transit Corridor project. This fits with Metrolinx's support for active transportation access to transit. European cycle tracks are bike lanes separated from travel lanes, parking lanes and sidewalks by pavement markings, pavement colouring, bollards, curbs, raised medians, or a combination of these elements." page vii

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The proposed wide curb lane, cyclists will share with buses, and the multi-purpose path, is an unacceptable alternative in terms of safety for cyclists. Toronto's 2003 cycling collision report reveals the highest percentage of cycling collisions occur at the intersection of the the multi-purpose path/sidewalk with the roadway. <u>http://www.toronto.ca/transportation/publications/bicycle_motor-vehicle/pdf/carbike_collision_report.pdf</u> Currently cyclists do not use Dundas St. The propose wide curb lane, will not increase the number of cyclists.

Statistics indicate bus transit users and cyclists are similar in terms of modal share, yet cycling infrastructure pales in comparison to the consideration given transit.

I strongly urge you to consider the addition of cycle tracks to the Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Studies. If it is not done now, it will be lost for future generations.

Thank you.



cc: Jeffrey Reid, PM Halton Councillor John Taylor Councillor Paul Sharman Councillor Tom Adams Councillor Blair Lancaster

Councillor Jack Dennison, BCC Councillor Marianne Meed Ward

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Reid, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> December 12, 2011 2:39 PM Neil Ahmed Katherine Jim FW: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2

Hi Neil,

Can you please prepare a draft response.

Thanks,

Jeff

From: Sent: Wednesday, November 30, 2011 8:42 AM To: Reid, Jeffrey Subject: Re: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2

Hi Jeffrey.

Thanks for the prompt feedback. I have 2 short follow up questions and would be grateful if you would spend the time to answer them.

Was the bi-directional cycling path (BCP) you refer to in your email below on the diagrams?

Is the BCP the same as the cycle track envisioned in Burlington's cycling master plan?

Thanks

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On Tue, Nov 29, 2011 at 4:29 PM, Reid, Jeffrey < Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> wrote:

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Reid, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> December 13, 2011 7:55 AM Neil Ahmed Katherine Jim FW: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2 - additional comments

From: Sent: Monday, December 12, 2011 9:07 PM To: Neil Ahmed; Reid, Jeffrey Cc: Subject: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2 - additional comments

In addition to my comments urging you to implement cycle tracks along Dundas St. instead of the wide curb lane shared with buses, I suggest you consider the link below from a similar current discussion in Vancouver. Adriane Carr is deputy leader of the Green Party of Canada. Although anecdotal in nature, the 159 comments are weighted heavily with comments that leisurely cyclists will avoid cycling on well travelled arterial roads.

If encouraging cycling is a goal, then safe cycle tracks are the only option that will encourage leisurely cyclists to get out on their bikes on the busy arterial roads.

http://www.francesbula.com/uncategorized/should-bikes-be-banned-from-major-arterials-or-at-least-rapid-busstreets/#comments

Should bikes be banned from major arterials or at least rapid-bus streets?

November 28th, 2011 · 159 Comments

This is an idea that Adriane Carr talked about during the election campaign, saying she had heard from bus drivers (or at least one bus driver) that it made it harder for them to keep to schedules and

manoeuvre when they had to deal with bike-riders on major streets like Broadway.

"Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe." - Albert Einstein

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Sent:	December 15, 2011 1:52 PM	
То:	; Neil Ahmed	
Cc:		
Subject:	RE: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2 - additional comments	

Thank you for your follow up comments in the November 30 and December 12 emails.

The bi-directional cycling path in our previous email refers to an off-road cycling path that would accommodate cyclists and pedestrians in both directions (i.e. an off-road path on each side of the road for bi-directional use) as shown in the typical cross section and on the preliminary plan at the Public Information Centre. The Burlington Cycling Master Plan made reference to proposed cycling track on Dundas Street, and also examples of different types of cycling tracks in other countries (some are on-road, some are off-road); however, they did not provide specific geometric information on the proposed cycling track. The Region will continue to coordinate with City of Burlington staff to determine the most feasible way to safely accommodate cyclists and pedestrians as part of the Dundas Street corridor improvements.

Thank you for providing the link to a forum discussion on whether cyclists should be banned from major arterials roads / rapid-bus street, the information will be shared with members of the Project Team. It should be noted that the Region will be developing an Active Transportation Master Plan, which would incorporate findings from active transportation plans from local municipalities, review examples from other communities, as well as provide on-going consultation with interested stakeholders.

Regards,

Jeff

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Neil Ahmed, P. Eng. Project Manager

cc. Jeffrey Reid, C.E.T., Project Manager, Halton Region

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

November 23, 2011 12:19 PM Reid, Jeffrey Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim Re: Dundas Street BRT Study

Thank you, Jeffrey: much appreciated.

Best regards,

Sent from my BlackBerry device on the Rogers Wireless Network

From: "Reid, Jeffrey" <<u>Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca</u>> Date: Wed, 23 Nov 2011 12:13:10 -0500

To:

Cc: Neil Ahmed<<u>NAhmed@mrc.ca</u>>; Katherine Jim<<u>KJim@mrc.ca</u>> Subject: Dundas Street BRT Study

Hi

It was good speaking with you this morning. As per our conversation, tomorrow evening we are hosting a joint Public Information Centre (PIC) #2 with the Trafalgar Road BRT Study. Attached is the PIC #2 Notice.

Below is a link to the Dundas Street BRT Study project web-page:

http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalld=8310&pageId=25607

From what you described, you are mostly concerned with Dundas Street adjacent St. Peter & Paul Church, west of Neyagawa Boulevard. Therefore, I suggest to visit the above link, scroll-down to the bottom of the page and click-on "Alternative 1 - Proudfoot to Towne (Curb Option)" pdf file. This will provide you a good indication for what is being proposed. Again, this information was presented June 23, 2011 at our first PIC.

Tomorrow evening we will have updated preliminary preferred drawings, that will also include bus stop/stations. If you are unable to attend tomorrow evening, the project page will be updated shortly where you can view the material.

Hope this helps and please let me know if you have any further questions.

Thanks,

Jeff

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From:Reid, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca>Sent:November 24, 2011 4:12 PMTo:Image: Comparison of the sector of the sect

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Hi

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Hi Jeffrey,

I was planning to attend the meeting tonight as a representative of the Landowner at the northwest corner of Dundas and Sixth Line. Unfortunately something has come up. I will have a look at the preferred alternatives online but was wondering if there is any particular mailing list that I should be added to in order to receive any information on the results that come out of tonight's meeting. If so, please add:

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Subject:

From: Sent: Thursday, November 24, 2011 9:45 PM To: tom.williams@aec.com; nick.zervos@halton.ca; Neil Ahmed Cc: Subject: Dundas Street Bus Rapid Transit Study

Hello,

Unfortunately I cannot attend tonight's information session on the Dundas Street BRT, but I would like to add my comments.

I fully support rapid transit along Dundas but only if it is done correctly with the proper infrastructure to support it such as on-road and separated bike lanes or off-road bike lanes. This is a great opportunity to be a leader in the GTA to provide proper bike facilities along a dangerous and busy road that connects many people's work and home.

There are many easy cost effective ways to do this.

If the municipalities and region wants to reduce traffic, there must be attention given to all modes such as public transit and cycling. I do not support widening roads. Widening roads do nothing to ease congestion. They only make cars go faster and cause more accidents.

Construction is already happening, so do it right and add safe, separated bike lanes and also think about how and where people will get to the different bus stops. Will there be bike lockers, covered areas, well lit? This would be a tremendous failure to miss this opportunity. Proper and safe bike infrastructure combined with BRT will have a great impact on congestion, quality of life, and overall health.





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Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Trafalgar Road (Regional Road 3)

Public Information Centre #2 Thursday, November 24, 2011 Halton Region - North/South Auditorium, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville

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Dundas Street Corridor Improvement Class EA Study

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Additional noise analysis will be undertaken in the study process to reflect the staged approach to operating Dundas Street. As a rule of thumb, an increase of 2 to 3 dBA is normally just perceivable to the average individual. While it is not intended for noise mitigation purposes, a landscaping plan will be developed as part of the Dundas Street improvements, including landscape features in the boulevard and along the right-of-way where feasible.

It is the Region's intention to reduce the posted speed on Dundas Street to 60 km/h throughout the entire corridor as the character of the road transforms from a rural arterial to an urban road due to area developement. The Halton Region Police has a Road Watch program which allows members of the public to report any dangerous / unsafe driving behavior.

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From: Sent: Thursday, November 24, 2011 1:22 PM To: jeffrey.reid@halton.ca Cc: Neil Ahmed Subject: BRT Corridor Studies Dundas Street PR-2550A

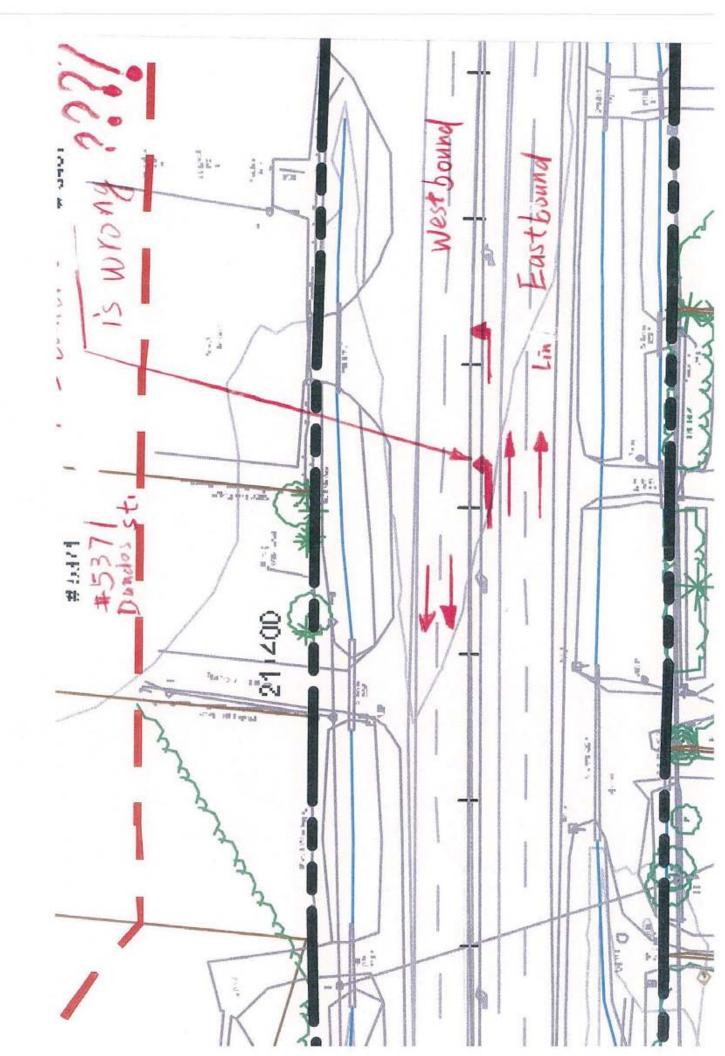
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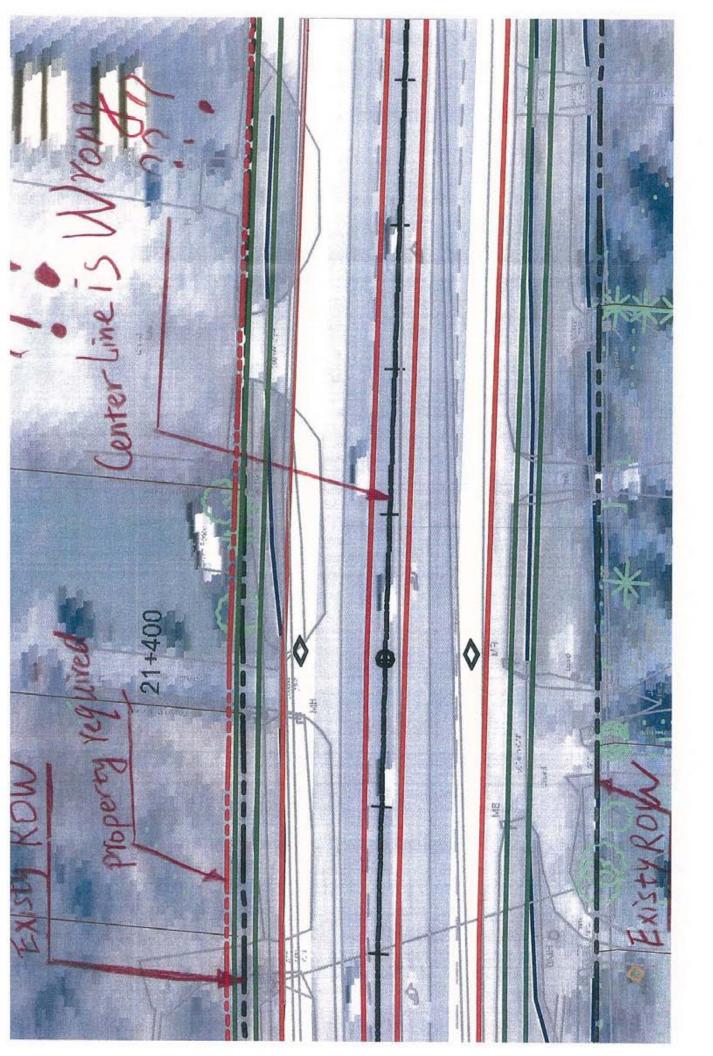
As we talked over the phone on Tuesday, the center line for the proposed dundas street near 5371 dundas and Laidlaw school bus (east of Applyby line, west of Tremaine Rd) is at wrong spot, it shifted to the north. It should be on the center of current eastbound left turn lane.(We checked the new presentation, it is still the same). As a result, there is a lot of unused space within the south side of existing row (original Regional property), on the north side several properties need to be required. This significantly increase the cost of the whole project, including cost of building new road fundation.

I have attached several sketches to show comments, the third one is a sketch that should be designed. The fouth image is showing existing road with left turn lane. The road for this location actually need only about 32.9m to have 6 lanes, one left turn lane and two multi-use paths. There is more than enough room in exist row to layout the new road.

We hope that the layout will be fixed, so it don't need to require nearby properties.

Regards,





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Please update if requi	red.			
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Jeff				
Thanks, Jeff Jeffrey Reid, B.A., C. Senior Transportation	ailing address is updated. I.M., C.E.T.			
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Hi Jeffrey:				
I'm the owner of a swe talked over the phone on Tuesday, I'm updating my mailing address as below:				

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Neil Ahmed November 28, 2011 8:16 AM Katherine Jim FW: BRT Corridor Studies Dundas Street PR-2550A evaluation.JPG; sketch-1.JPG; sketch-2.JPG; sketch-3.JPG; sketch-4.JPG

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Sent: Sunday, November 27, 2011 10:27 PM To: jeffrey.reid@halton.ca; Neil Ahmed Subject: BRT Corridor Studies Dundas Street PR-2550A

Hi Jeffrey & Neil:

After talking with you guys, we had a close look at the overall plan, and took field walk along Dundas Street from Appleby line to Tremaine road. We did some analysis and design (overall sketch), and have following different ideas.

We agree that on the CNR rail bridge, the widening should be on the north side, however at the east of Sutton Drive, the Tansley bridge over Bronte Creek should be widening on the south side, that's mean on the east of Bronte Creek, option 4 (2 lanes to south) is the best option. There are several reasons:

A. Current preliminary design the road (widening 2 lane to north) is more zigzag, if builing 2 lanes on south, the road is more straight, it's good for traffic operations and more safe for tranportation. Road deisgn is more reasonable, also reduce the cost of building the road.

B. Current preliminary design need to require a lot of properties including residential properties, commercial properties, provincial park and conservation area. The existing row (regional property) have more space on south than north, because there was an older bridge on south side before, The existing row was likely defined as to the older bridge. Building 2 lanes on the south don't need to require any properties, so have better socio-economic effect, utilize more existing land, reduce a lot of cost and avoid the project delay.

C. Current preliminary design need to require provincial park and conservation properties, damage natural environment, building 2 lanes on the south won't impact natural environment.

D. Building two lanes on south won't have any heritage impact issue, so it is good for the cultural environment.(on south and east corner of Sutton drive and Dundas is neighbood commercial on city of Burlinton official plan)

In summary, Option 4 -widening 2 lanes to south from socio-economic environment, cultural environment, natural environment and transportation & cost aspects have all the preferred feature, so it should be the preferred option. Please see attached updated Bronte Creek Crossing Evaluation table.

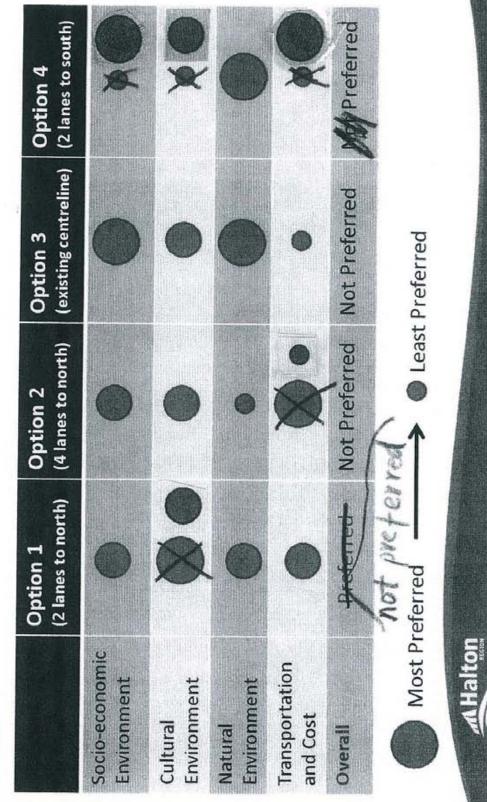
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We have a overall sketch (from CNR rail bridge to west of Tremaine Road) showing our ideas, please see attached (shown as 4 sketches, they are continued). Please let us know your thoughts.

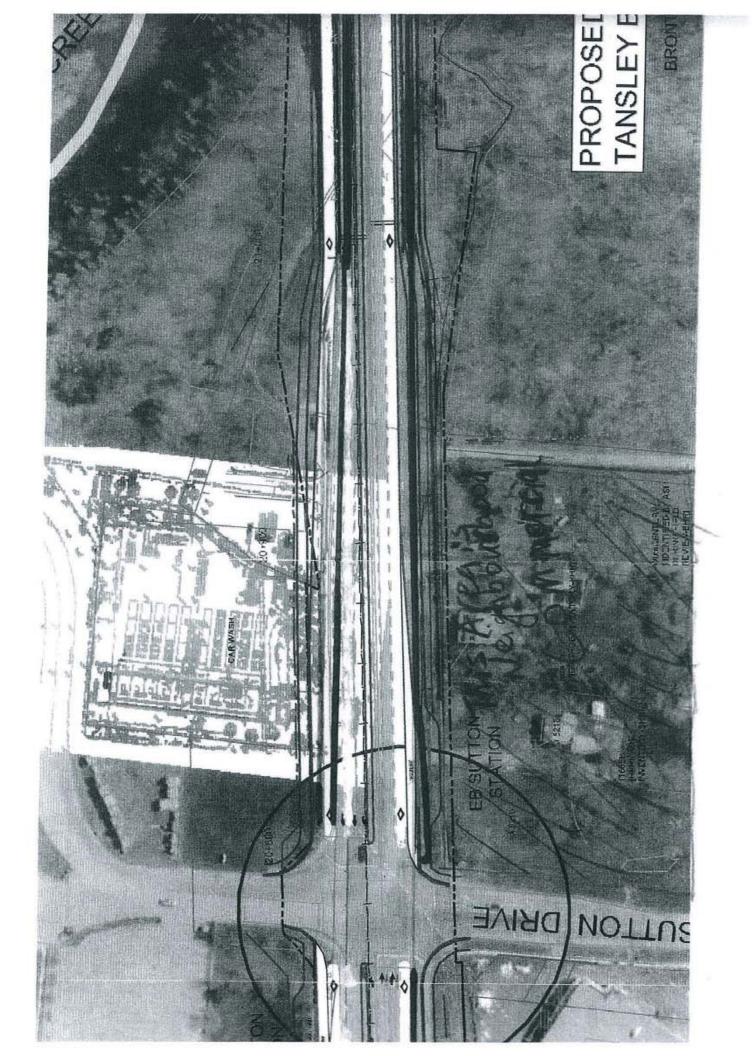
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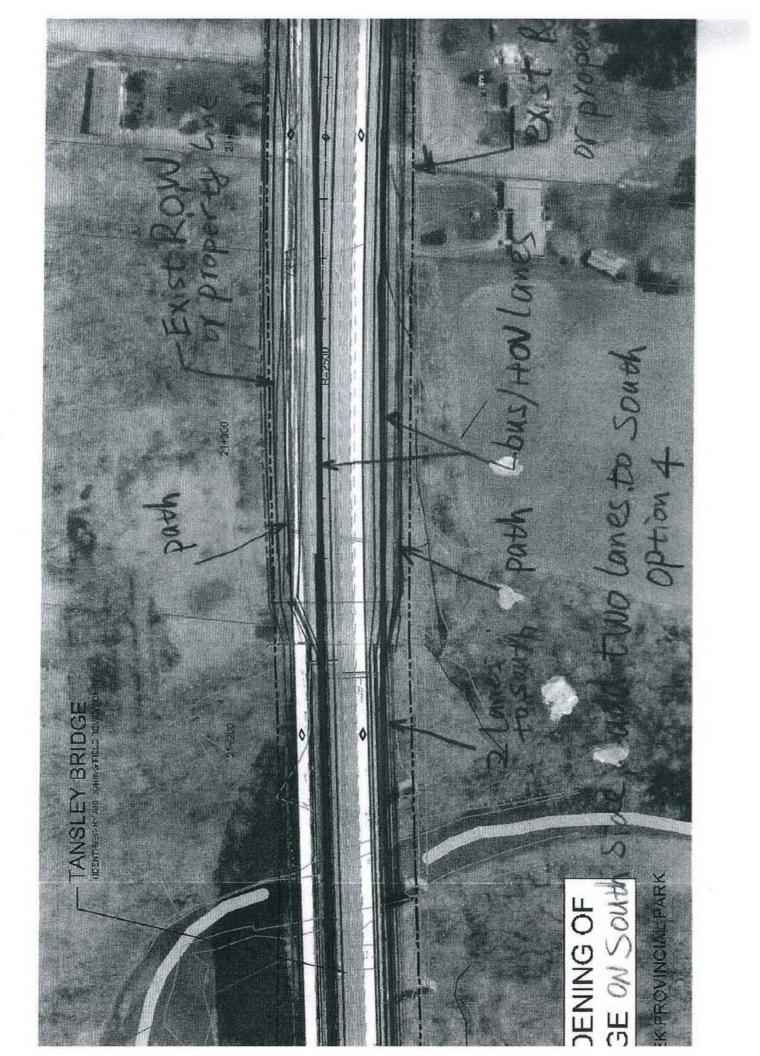
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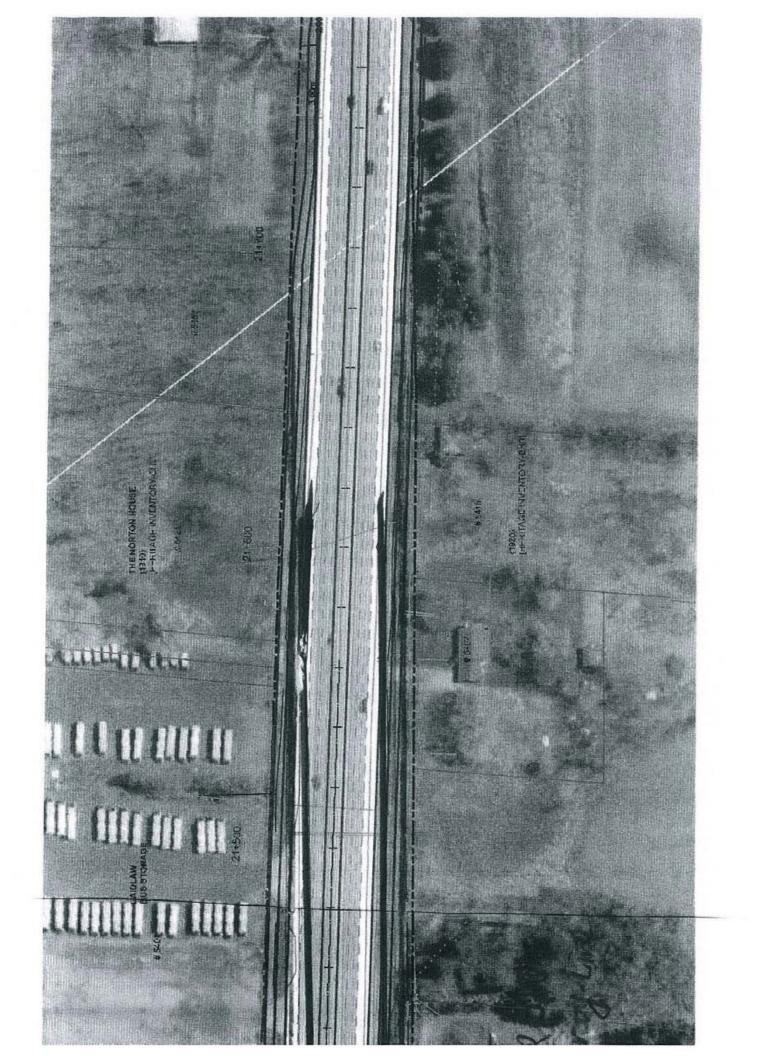
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 Dundas Street Corridor Improvement Class EA Study - Response Letter

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Re: Halton Region Dundas Street Corridor Improvement Class EA Study

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Based on the initial review carried out to date, four alternatives for the widening of Bronte Creek bridge were reviewed (as presented during the presentation and materials at the PIC). The alternative to widen 2 lanes to the north at the Bronte Creek crossing has been identified as preferred since it would achieve a better balance amongst factors in socio-economic, cultural and natural environment, transportation and cost. It should also be noted that the existing structure on the south side (i.e. eastbound lanes) will have to be replaced due to the condition of the structure.

Conservation Halton has been involved throughout the study process and is aware of the analysis and evaluation carried out, as well as the recommendation to widen Bronte Creek Bridge to the north.

We recognize that impact to property is one of your key concerns. The Project Team has since reviewed the functional plan in greater detail and has modified the plan in the proximity of 5371 Dundas Street. The modified plan would accommodate the proposed 6-lane Dundas Street within the Region's current right-of-way (i.e. no property requirement from 5371 Dundas Street). However, the existing driveway would still be reduced from approximately 60 m to 50 m; this is because 10 m of the existing driveway is located within the Region's right-of-way. The revised functional plan in the proximity of 5371 Dundas Street is enclosed. Please note that the plan is preliminary only and subject to further review.

The functional plan will be developed in greater detail into a preliminary plan as part of the Dundas Street EA Study from Bronte Road to Brant Street, and this change will be included in the preliminary plan.

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To: Subject: Reid, Jeffrey RE: Dundas Street reconstruction

From:

Sent: Friday, November 25, 2011 7:13 AM To: <u>nahmed@mrc.ca</u>; Dennison, Jack; Reid, Jeffrey Cc: Subject: Dundas Street reconstruction

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Fo: Co:	; Neil Ahmed; Dennison, Jack	125-21
Subject:	RE: Dundas Street reconstruction	

Thank you for your email regarding the Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Study from Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Trafalgar Road (Regional Road 3) within the City of Burlington and Town of Oakville.

The Region is committed to implementing both on-road and off-road Active Transportation (AT) facilities for both walking and cycling, which is consistent with the recently approved Halton Transportation Master Plan – The Road to Change (to 2031). The Region is proposing a wider 4.2m curb lane which can accommodate the BRT and cyclists. Off-road facilities are envisioned to be a sidewalk and a separate bi-directional cycling path. We are also exploring ways to define, delineate and guide off-road facilities by way of signage, pavement markings and coloured material.

Your comments and all feedback from members of the Public regarding the request for on-street cycling tracks will be considered by the Region and Local Municipalities in the development of the Dundas Street Corridor Active Transportation facilities.

Regards,

Jeff

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We would like to clarify that the proposed cross sections for either the curb lane or median lane BRT at Public Information Centre #1 did not include separate cycling tracks for Dundas Street; rather a multi-use on both sides of the road was shown.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Neil Ahmed November 27, 2011 10:51 AM Katherine Jim FW: Dundas St Corridor PIC meeting

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From: Sent: Saturday, November 26, 2011 10:23 AM To: jeffrey.reid@halton.ca; Neil Ahmed; nick.zervos@halton.ca; tom.williams@aecom.com Cc:

Subject: Re: Dundas St Corridor PIC meeting

Good morning,

I could unfortunately not attend the information meeting on Tuesday – but would like to use the opportunity to give some input from a cyclist perspective.

The increased population growth in our region as well as increased promotion and use of non-automotive transport, it is expected that bike usage will increase and future transport corridors should take the expected higher usage into account. So it is great that our region is doing planning in preparation for that.

We need roads providing safe cycling links from the west to east – and Dundas is a good option, as it links traffic flow from Burlington to Mississauga. At the moment it is unsafe for me to commute from my home in Oakville to my offices in Mississauga (Square 1 area) as there is not a safe way to cycle west to east. One can use Upper Middle sidewalks (is it legal?) but then from ninth line east it really is a problem.

Having dedicated bike lanes on both sides of Dundas, with clear separation from pedestrian traffic would be ideal – and I am happy to see that cycling infrastructure is clearly provided for in your planning. In your design you show multiple use lanes, which can work fine if there is clear separation for cycling/roller blading, etc. and pedestrian use, like on the Martin Goodman trial in Toronto. Typically cyclists on Dundas would be commuting or be sports cyclists that will be riding east – west to join with north-south routes – and they would be moving at a higher speed, which could result in serious crashes with pedestrians. Obviously some public education (and re-education!) will be required to keep the system working well.

The following should also be considered:

- What is planned in terms of safe cycling lanes for Dundas east of Trafalgar, joining into Mississauga?
- There should be proper crossings for cyclists at the major intersections, as this is where accidents typically happen. One approach that is getting a lot of attention is the use of bike boxes (few links: <u>http://streetswiki.wikispaces.com/Bike+Boxes</u> <u>http://bikeboxestoronto.com/main.html</u> <u>http://torontoist.com/2010/10/bike boxes arrive at harbord and st george</u> <u>on u of t campus/ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Advanced stop line</u>).
- I appreciate the planned major improvement of bus services along this corridor. Will there be provision for safe parking facilities for bicycles – where cyclists can ride up to the bus route and park their bikes for the day (as done at the GO stations?)

I have added a few more interesting websites I found while "googling" the topic (there is so much published on the topic): Minneapolis: <u>http://www.streetfilms.org/major-bike-mojo-in-minneapolis/</u> Bike lanes: <u>http://www.campo-nc.us/BPSG/docs/NCDOT_on_Bike_Lanes.pdf</u> Thanks for giving me the opportunity to participate.

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cc. Jeffrey Reid, C.E.T., Project Manager, Halton Region

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Member of the Oakville Cycling Club

Sent from my iPad

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July 4, 2012



Dundas Street Corridor Improvement Class EA Study

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Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905-825-8500 or <u>nahmed@mrc.ca</u> should you have any further questions.

Yours very truly,

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RE: Dundas Street Corridor Study

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2011 11:30 AM

To: Carr, Gary; <u>mayor@burlington.ca</u>; Bonnette, Rick; Somerville, Clark; <u>anefogal@haltonhills.ca</u>; Krantz, Gord; Lambert, Tony; Best, Colin; Burton, Rob; Johnston, Alan; Duddeck, Cathy; Bird, Keith; Knoll, Jeff; Adams, Tom; Craven, Rick; Meed Ward, Marianne; Taylor, John; Dennison, Jack; Sharman, Paul; Lancaster, Blair
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From: Sent: To: Subject: Reid, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> November 30, 2011 8:21 AM Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim FW: Dundas Street Corridor Study

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2011 9:59 PM To: Reid, Jeffrey Subject: RE: Dundas Street Corridor Study

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From: David Bloomer [mailto:DBloomer@oakville.ca] Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2011 5:20 PM To: Bird, Keith; Chris Mark Cc: Gittings, Dave; Dan Cozzi; Chris Clapham; Barry Cole; Dennis, Tim; Van Ravens, Maureen Subject: RE: Dundas cycle track

Councillor Bird,

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Dave Bloomer

David Bloomer, P. Eng. Commissioner Infrastructure and Transportation Services Commission Town of Oakville | 905-845-6601 ext.3300 | f: 905-338-4159 | www.oakville.ca

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From: Keith Bird Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2011 11:25 AM To: Chris Mark; David Bloomer Subject: Fw: Dundas cycle track

In case you weren't cc'd.

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Gentlemen – the Region is to be congratulated on planning to provide separate facilities for cyclists along Dundas Street through Oakville etc. As a regular cyclist in the area, I currently try to avoid riding along Dundas as much as possible due to the heavy traffic and lack of space for cyclists, but at times it is unavoidable, for example, when coming down Tremaine. At such times, I consider it extremely dangerous to transit. Dundas, however, has the potential to be a prime cycling route between the municipalities if sufficient safety is built in.

I am concerned, however, about the plan for multi-use trails instead of tracks dedicated to cyclists. Pedestrians and cyclists do not mix, with each being a danger to the other, particularly on a route such as this, which will mainly cater to cyclists going from A to B in the most efficient and effective way, rather than being on a sightseeing tour to observe the local flora and fauna.

Please, gentlemen, ensure that cyclists have dedicated space along both sides of Dundas in your project, and on similar regional roads in this area.

Thank you.



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Sent:
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Subject:

Reid, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> December 8, 2011 2:58 PM Neil Ahmed Katherine Jim RE: Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Transportation Corridor Improvements

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Mr, Reid and Mr. Ahmed,

I am writing to you in regards to the plans related to improvements on Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Transportation Corridor.

I would like to express my firm belief that the segregated cycling pathways are far superior to a multipurpose pathways, so commonly used in Halton region at the present time. There are number of studies of impact this type of pathways

have on number of cyclists in contrast to on road or multipurpose pathways, which show that the number of cyclists can double if segregated cycling facilities are used.

Additionally studies from across North America indicate that 60-70 percent of population would consider cycling but are afraid to cycle on the on road facilities.

Segregated cycling facilities are therefore a much better investment as they are encouraging the population of Halton to use Active Transportation. They must be used whenever possible to tackle our transportation and health problems.

If cycling lanes are build in such a way that they are perceived as safe and connected, larger number of population will consider using them thus the investment in cycling pathways will provide a greater return - not to mention the return on prevention of long term health diseases.

Please, make sure, the segregated cycling pathways are implemented on Dundas Street and within all other the Halton region road improvement projects.

With best regards,



In every challenge we see sustainable community development opportunity

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

December 8, 2011 3:21 PM Reid, Jeffrey Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim Re: Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Transportation Corridor Improvements

Mr. Reid,

Thank you for your response to my e-mail. I'm looking forward to stronger focus on Active Transportation in the region. One thing I would like to reiterate is that quite often road improvements project do not take to the account benefits of segregated cycling facilities, due to the fact that health benefits and industry benefits of cyclotourism have not been measured in the past.

If we start measuring such effects we will realize that dedicated cycling facilities in form of cycling trails, segregated cycling pathways and expressways are cheaper for a taxpayer. Not only these cycling facilities would contribute to improve of health of community, rise of clean cyclo-tourism industry, but it will lead to decrease in demand on road expansion.

The cycling facilities alone will not be sufficient to achieve desired effect. A harmonized marketing effort to promote cyclo-tourism and cycling in general, coupled with promotion of local employment, will provide greater effects.

This means that the department of Transportation must work in collaboration with Tourism and Health departments. Only through such unified approach can the region of Halton become a network of sustainable communities.

I'm looking forward to more encouraging news from the Regional Department of Transportation.

With kind regards,

On 12/8/2011 2:57 PM, Reid, Jeffrey wrote:

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- > Trafalgar Road (Regional Road 3) within the City of Burlington and
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> delineate and guide off-road facilities by way of signage, pavement

> markings and coloured material.

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From: Sent: To: Subject:

Neil Ahmed December 8, 2011 4:50 PM Katherine Jim FW: Dundas St BRT Corridor Study - comments from St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

Neil Ahmed, P. Eng.

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From: Chris Walker Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 4:14 PM To: Neil Ahmed Cc: Reid, Jeffrey Subject: Dundas St BRT Corridor Study - comments from St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

Neil: On behalf of St. Paul's, I would like to thank you and the project team for protecting our heritage property and new church property on Dundas St. We understand that the new right of way will respect our current property lines and that access will be maintained to Old St. Paul's and the adjacent cemetery (3318 Dundas). There also appears to be no impact on our new church property (2600 Headon Forest Drive). We agree that designating the east and west curb lanes as bus lanes makes the most sense. The fact that there will be a full median means that turns from westbound Dundas Street into Old St. Paul's and the cemetery would no longer be possible - we assume that provision for U turns will be made at a nearby intersection so that westbound traffic can easily access both facilities.

Thanks again for keeping us informed. We look foward to future public involvement in this study.

Chris Walker Elder, St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

From:	
Sent:	December 8, 2011 3:06 PM
To: Cc:	Reid Jeffrey; Nick.Zervos@halton.ca; tom.williams@aecom.com; Neil Ahmed mayor@oakville.ca; Gary.Carr@halton.ca; Sharon.Little@halton.ca; Pat.Moyle@halton.ca; Lynne.Simons@halton.ca; Mitch.Zamojc@halton.ca; Nancy.DalBello@halton.ca; Tim.Dennis@halton.ca; Gail.Clancy@halton.ca; Maureen.VanRavens@halton.ca;
Subject:	Melissa.Green-Battiston@halton.ca; Katherine Jim Re: Halton Cycling

Thank you for getting back to me on this issue Jeff.

We definitely need to make local roads safer for cyclists. Public education will also help in the long term.

Regards



-----Original Message-----

From: Reid Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> Date: Thu, 8 Dec 2011 20:02:01

To: _______; <Nick.Zervos@halton.ca>; <tom.williams@aecom.com>; <nahmed@mrc.ca> Cc: <mayor@oakville.ca>; <Gary.Carr@halton.ca>; <Sharon.Little@halton.ca>; <Pat.Moyle@halton.ca>; <Lynne.Simons@halton.ca>; <Mitch.Zamojc@halton.ca>; <Nancy.DalBello@halton.ca>; <Tim.Dennis@halton.ca>; <Gail.Clancy@halton.ca>; <Maureen.VanRavens@halton.ca>; <Melissa.Green-Battiston@halton.ca>; <KJim@mrc.ca> Subject: RE: Halton Cycling

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Your comments and all feedback from members of the Public regarding the request for on-street cycling tracks will be considered by the Region and Local Municipalities in the development of the Dundas Street Corridor Active Transportation facilities.

Regards,

Jeff

Jeffrey Reid, B.A., C.I.M., C.E.T. Senior Transportation Planner Transportation - Planning & Road Operations Halton Region, Public Works Department (905) 825-6000 ext.7920

From:

Sent: Tuesday, December 06, 2011 7:10 PM To: Reid, Jeffrey; Zervos, Nick; tom.williams@aecom.com; nahmed@mrd.ca Cc: Burton, Rob Subject: Halton Cycling

Good day Gentlemen,

At the Nov 24th PIC, we noticed that the dedicated cycle tracks from the 2009 plan are now identified as a multi-use path. We would like to see them re-designated as a cycle track. Cycling infrastructure is a benefit, not a cost. Dundas is a strategic link between Halton, Hamilton and Peel. Cycle tracks along Dundas are very valuable if we ever

want to move towards alternative, active transportation.

There are many cyclists already commuting year round along Dundas. A cycle track would make their journey much safer. You may know there has been at least 1 death and at least 4 car-cyclist incidents along Dundas involving cycling commuters in the last 2 years.

The use of dedicated cycle tracks would be a an enormous benefit to the recreational and commuter cyclists in Halton. The benefits are many:

Increased physical activity

this keeps people healthy and fights against obesity and lack of exercise 2. which in turn reduces health care costs 1. which make up 25% of our provincial spending and is expected to rise if people don't become more active

2. Commuter / rider safety 1. people will cycle more when they feel safe, especially women and children 3. Removes cars from roads 1. reduces fossil fuel consumption 2. reduces CO2 emissions 3. reduces reduces impact in the infrastructure - bikes have less impact on the roads than cars and trucks commute times 4. Helps the environment 1. 4. reduces CO2 emissions 5. Provide an alternative to commuting without using cost savings as people don't need to buy gas as often 2. fossil fuels 1. environmentally sound A recent study <http://hembrow.blogspot.com/2011/06/cycling-infrastructure-is-cheaper-

to.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed:+AViewFromTheCyclePath-DavidHembrow+%28A+view+from+the+cycle+path+-+David+Hembrow%29&utm_content=Google+Reader> (http://bit.ly/mTsqeq) in the Netherlands indicates that cycling infrastructure is cheaper to build than not to build. "The proceeds that can be attributed to bicycle highways considerably outweigh the costs. The next couple of years approximately €100 million will be invested in bicycle highways in the Netherlands. That will lead to future annual profits of at least €144 million in travel time gained, better health and environmental benefits."

For more details on the value of cycling, please see this link <http://www.jointcc.info/viewtopic.php?f=9&t=11> . (http://bit.ly/rWJZlu) The report was commissioned by the UK government and written by a firm focusing on sustainable development (www.sqw.co.uk <http://www.sqw.co.uk/>). It was written to support the UK's National Cycling Strategy.

Best Regards,

Oakville Cycling club

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From:	Reid, Jeffrey <jeffrey.reid@halton.ca></jeffrey.reid@halton.ca>
Sent:	December 6, 2011 11:35 AM
To:	; Zervos, Nick; tom.williams@aecom.com; Neil Ahmed
Cc:	Katherine Jim
Subject:	RE: Bicycle Tracks along Dundas - Mississauga needs them too - don't take them out of your plans.

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Regards,

Jeff

Jeffrey Reid, B.A., C.I.M., C.E.T.

Senior Transportation Planner Transportation - Planning & Road Operations Halton Region, Public Works Department (905) 825-6000 ext.7920

From:

Sent: Tuesday, December 06, 2011 9:39 AM To: Reid, Jeffrey; Zervos, Nick; tom.williams@aecom.com; nahmed@mrd.ca Subject: Bicycle Tracks along Dundas - Mississauga needs them too - don't take them out of your plans.

Dear Sirs,

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Sincerely,



Katherine Jim

Subject:

RE: noise and expansion of dundas street-river oaks

From: Reid, Jeffrey [mailto:Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca] Sent: December 13, 2011 8:12 AM

To:

Cc: Burton, Rob; Knoll, Jeff; Grant, Marc; Carr, Gary; Little, Sharon - Chair's Office; Moyle, Pat; Simons, Lynne; Zamojc, Mitch; Dal Bello, Nancy; Dennis, Tim; Clancy, Gail; Van Ravens, Maureen; Green-Battiston, Melissa; Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim; Zervos, Nick; Krusto, Matt

Subject: RE: noise and expansion of dundas street-river oaks

Thank you for your email inquiring about replacing the existing noise wall as part of the Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Corridor Study. I am the Project Manger of the Dundas Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Corridor Study which extends from Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Trafalgar Road (Regional Road 3) within both City of Burlington and Town of Oakville.

In terms of process, the Region previously initiated a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study along Dundas Street from Neyagawa Boulevard (Regional Road 4) to Oak Park Boulevard. The last meeting for this study was June 10, 2010, which the Region presented our findings of the additional Noise Assessment Study that focussed on the River Oaks Community. This study was stopped and used as background information into the larger Dundas Street BRT Study.

As you may be aware, the Region (through the previous EA Study) committed to replacing existing developer noise attenuation (sound walls) with 3.5 metre high noise walls along the property line of houses adjacent to Dundas Street, including those that are separated by an intervening local road (window street). This recommendation is still valid and the Region is committed to replacing these existing noise walls.

The Region previously committed to completing this work and the timing for replacing existing developer barriers will be determined through the on-going Dundas Street BRT Study.

Below is a link to the on-going Dundas Street BRT Study:

http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalld=8310&pageId=25607

The timing of construction for Dundas Street between Neyagawa Boulevard to Sixth Line is anticipated to be within the first section to be widened. It is reasonable to estimate the start of construction in the 2015/2016 timeframe. That being said, as part of the on-going study the Region will commit to reviewing the advancement of the noise barriers prior to the road works.

Regards,

Jeffrey Reid, B.A., C.I.M., C.E.T. Senior Transportation Planner Transportation - Planning & Road Operations Halton Region, Public Works Department (905) 825-6000 ext.7920

To: Mayor Rob Burton Subject: FW: noise and expansion of dundas street-river oaks

Hello Mayor Burton,

I am forwarding this email to you in hopes of receiving some news as to when the promised noise absorbing wall is to be built. The noise from Dundas St in the 6th line to Neyagawa area is beyond horrific and getting increasingly worse.

Thank you,

From:

To: jeffrey.reid@halton.ca; nick.zervos@halton.ca; nahmed@mrc.ca Subject: noise and expansion of dundas street-river oaks Date: Thu, 8 Dec 2011 13:33:03 -0500

Hi Jeffrey, Nick and Neil

Unfortunately I missed the Nov 24th meeting due to the late notice. However to my understanding from past correspondence from you I thought that a sound absorbing barrier was going to be put in place before this expansion began to help reduce the horrifically increasing noise pollution. Could you please inform me as to when the sound barrier wall is expected to be built ??

Thank You,

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Thank you

Katherine Jim

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Reid, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> January 2, 2012 9:14 AM

Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim RE: Dunddas st. road improvement

Hope you are doing well and Happy New Year!

At our last Public Information Centre (PIC) #2 we presented the preferred alternative which is Curb Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) along the entire Dundas Street corridor from Brant Street/Cedar Springs Road to Trafalgar Road. Below is a link to the project web-page.

http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalId=8310&pageId=25607

Scroll-down to the bottom of the page (to Public Information Centre #2 - November 24, 2011), where we have provided all material presented. We have placed the Notice for PIC #2, Presentation slides, Display Panels and Preferred Alternative drawings.

Hope this helps and please let me know if you have any specific questions.

Thanks,

Jeff

Jeffrey Reid, B.A., C.I.M., C.E.T. Senior Transportation Planner Transportation - Planning & Road Operations Halton Region, Public Works Department (905) 825-6000 ext.7920

From: Sent: Tuesday, December 27, 2011 12:21 PM To: Reid, Jeffrey Subject: Dunddas st. road improvement

Hi Jeff I hope you and your family had a merry Chrismas. Unfortunately I was not able to attend the last November 24th meeting. Is there any documentation or a web site I can go to for a recap of the meeting? Thanks Jeff and I wish you and yours a happy new year.

From:	Reid, Jeffrey <jeffrey.reid@halton.ca></jeffrey.reid@halton.ca>
Sent:	December 15, 2011 1:52 PM
Го:	Neil Ahmed
Cc:	
Subject:	RE: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2 - additional comments

Thank you for your follow up comments in the November 30 and December 12 emails.

The bi-directional cycling path in our previous email refers to an off-road cycling path that would accommodate cyclists and pedestrians in both directions (i.e. an off-road path on each side of the road for bi-directional use) as shown in the typical cross section and on the preliminary plan at the Public Information Centre. The Burlington Cycling Master Plan made reference to proposed cycling track on Dundas Street, and also examples of different types of cycling tracks in other countries (some are on-road, some are off-road); however, they did not provide specific geometric information on the proposed cycling track. The Region will continue to coordinate with City of Burlington staff to determine the most feasible way to safely accommodate cyclists and pedestrians as part of the Dundas Street corridor improvements.

Thank you for providing the link to a forum discussion on whether cyclists should be banned from major arterials roads / rapid-bus street, the information will be shared with members of the Project Team. It should be noted that the Region will be developing an Active Transportation Master Plan, which would incorporate findings from active transportation plans from local municipalities, review examples from other communities, as well as provide on-going consultation with interested stakeholders.

Regards,

Jeff

Jeffrey Reid, B.A., C.I.M., C.E.T. Senior Transportation Planner Transportation - Planning & Road Operations Halton Region, Public Works Department (905) 825-6000 ext.7920 From: Sent: Monday, December 12, 2011 9:07 PM To: Neil Ahmed; Reid, Jeffrey Cc: Subject: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2 - additional comments

In addition to my comments urging you to implement cycle tracks along Dundas St. instead of the wide curb lane shared with buses, I suggest you consider the link below from a similar current discussion in Vancouver. Adriane Carr is deputy leader of the Green Party of Canada. Although anecdotal in nature, the 159 comments are weighted heavily with comments that leisurely cyclists will avoid cycling on well travelled arterial roads.

If encouraging cycling is a goal, then safe cycle tracks are the only option that will encourage leisurely cyclists to get out on their bikes on the busy arterial roads.

http://www.francesbula.com/uncategorized/should-bikes-be-banned-from-major-arterials-or-at-least-rapid-busstreets/#comments

Should bikes be banned from major arterials or at least rapid-bus streets?

November 28th, 2011 · 159 Comments

This is an idea that Adriane Carr talked about during the election campaign, saying she had heard from bus drivers (or at least one bus driver) that it made it harder for them to keep to schedules and manoeuvre when they had to deal with bike-riders on major streets like Broadway.

"Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe." - Albert Einstein

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Hi Jeffrey.

Thanks for the prompt feedback. I have 2 short follow up questions and would be grateful if you would spend the time to answer them.

Was the bi-directional cycling path (BCP) you refer to in your email below on the diagrams?

Is the BCP the same as the cycle track envisioned in Burlington's cycling master plan?

Thanks

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On Tue, Nov 29, 2011 at 4:29 PM, Reid, Jeffrey < Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca > wrote:

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Regards,

Jeff

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From: Sent: Friday, November 25, 2011 9:57 AM To: Neil Ahmed Cc:

Subject: Dundas St. BRT Corridor PIC #2

Dear Mr. Ahmed:

I was dismayed to learn the cycle tracks proposed for Dundas St. along the BRT corridor in PIC #1 received no mention and have morphed into an unprotected on-street alternative and/or a multi-use path.

The development of cycle tracks in conjunction with the Bus Rapid Transit corridor are cited numerous times in Burlington's Cycling Master Plan.

Some of the key references are:

Burlington's 2009 Cycling Master Plan highlights the potential and need for cycle tracks along the Dundas corridor.

"Dundas Street is a candidate for cycle tracks that would be compatible with the development of this corridor for rapid transit." - page 48

Halton Region Public Health has also endorsed the proposed cycle track along Dundas St.

"The inclusion of cycling tracks along Dundas is a great addition to the network. Dundas is a very busy roadway with high speeds. Including separated bicycle lanes that are part of the road network and not part of the sidewalk infrastructure has the potential to increase the number of people who will feel comfortable cycling on Dundas while ensuring that it is a practical bicycle commuting road." Halton Region Health Department June 2009 - page 17

"A feasibility study is recommended to develop European cycle tracks on Dundas Street as part of the Rapid Transit Corridor project. This fits with Metrolinx's support for active transportation access to transit. European cycle tracks are bike lanes separated from travel lanes, parking lanes and sidewalks by pavement markings, pavement colouring, bollards, curbs, raised medians, or a combination of these elements." page vii

Additional recommendations can be found in the Cycling Master Plan.

The proposed wide curb lane, cyclists will share with buses, and the multi-purpose path, is an unacceptable alternative in terms of safety for cyclists. Toronto's 2003 cycling collision report reveals the highest percentage of cycling collisions occur at the intersection of the the multi-purpose path/sidewalk with the roadway. <u>http://www.toronto.ca/transportation/publications/bicycle_motor-vehicle/pdf/carbike_collision_report.pdf</u> Currently cyclists do not use Dundas St. The propose wide curb lane, will not increase the number of cyclists.

Statistics indicate bus transit users and cyclists are similar in terms of modal share, yet cycling infrastructure pales in comparison to the consideration given transit.

I strongly urge you to consider the addition of cycle tracks to the Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Studies. If it is not done now, it will be lost for future generations.

Thank you.



cc: Jeffrey Reid, PM Halton Councillor John Taylor Councillor Paul Sharman Councillor Tom Adams Councillor Blair Lancaster

> Councillor Jack Dennison, BCC Councillor Marianne Meed Ward

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Thank you

Katherine Jim

From:	Reid, Jeffrey <jeffrey.reid@halton.ca></jeffrey.reid@halton.ca>
Sent:	January 23, 2012 8:28 AM
To:	Tomas Brozo
Cc:	Nick Brkic - NBM Engineering Inc.; Nathaniel Andres; Jimmy Roxas;
	ZMihajlovski@burlingtonhydro.com; Proietti, Joe; Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim; Krusto, Matt; Green-Battiston, Melissa
Subject:	RE: Pole line Rebuild - Dundas Street from Bronte Creek to Tremaine

Hi Tom,

The Region is currently in the process of planning the widening of Dundas Street (4 to 6-lanes) from Brant Street to Trafalgar Road in both the City of Burlington and Town of Oakville. We recently hosted Public Information Centre (PIC) #2 in November 2011. Below is a link to the project web-page:

http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalld=8310&pageId=25607

If you scroll-down to the bottom, under the heading "Public Information Centre #2 - November 24, 2011" click-on pdf file "Preferred Alternative (Curb) - Millcroft to Tremaine". There you can view the preferred alternative and any property requirements. This is the best information we have at this point in time.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Jeff

Jeffrey Reid, B.A., C.I.M., C.E.T.

Senior Transportation Planner Transportation Services Public Works Halton Region Ph: (905) 825-6000 ext.7920 Fax:(905) 847-2192

From: Tomas Brozo [mailto:tomasb@nbmengineering.com]
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2012 5:44 PM
To: Reid, Jeffrey
Cc: 'Nick Brkic - NBM Engineering Inc.'; 'Nathaniel Andres'; 'Jimmy Roxas'; <u>ZMihajlovski@burlingtonhydro.com</u>
Subject: Pole line Rebuild - Dundas Street from Bronte Creek to Tramaine

Hi Jeffrey,

We are a consulting firm doing design for the rebuild of the existing overhead pole line at the subject location.

We want to know if there's any work planned in the area of our concern such as land developments, road work or right of way widening that we should consider in our design.

Thank you,

Tom

Katherine Jim

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Katherine Jim June 29, 2012 11:05 AM 'LChadee@coleengineering.ca' Neil Ahmed; Reid, Jeffrey (Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca) RE: Dundas Street BRT Corridor Study

Laurella,

Further to your email to Neil, please find below our response to your questions (red text).

Regards, Katherine

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From: Laurella Chadee [mailto:LChadee@coleengineering.ca] Sent: Tuesday, June 26, 2012 9:29 AM To: Neil Ahmed Cc: Suzette Shiu Subject: Dundas Street BRT Corridor Study

Hello Neil,

Further to our phone conversation, we would like some additional clarification on a few items regarding the Dundas Street BRT Study, based on the most recent information found on Halton Region's website.

Here are a few initial questions:

Re: Public Information Centre #2 - November 24, 2011 "Display Panels" (page 6 of 27: Proposed BRT Service Concept)

How many transit stops are located along the corridor, and within Oakville only? – The exhibit shows 17 minor stations, 1 support corridor connection and 2 terminals/major connection stations, for Oakville only, and 25 minor stations, 3 support corridor connections and 3 terminals/major connection stations, for the entire corridor. Please confirm if this understanding is correct.

You are correct, based on PIC #2 display panel 6 "Proposed BRT Service Concept", there would be 17 minor stops, 1 support corridor connection at Third Line and 2 terminals/major connection stations (one at Uptown Core and one at Palermo) within the Town of Oakville and one at Alton in Burlington along Dundas Street. Overall, our conceptual service plan has identified 25 minor stops, 3 support corridor connections with south termini at GO Stations (Third Line, Appleby Line and Brant Street). However, please note that these proposed stop locations are conceptual only. While the general principle is to have a bus stop at all signalized intersections along Dundas Street, the number of minor vs. major stops will be confirmed as the study proceeds into preliminary design and in consultation with Town of Oakville, Oakville Transit, City of Burlington and Burlington Transit.

Re: Public Information Centre #2 - November 24, 2011 "Presentation" (page 24 of 26: BRT Costs – Dundas Street Corridor)

Why are there 11 locations under "Stop development", and where are these located? Are these 11 locations the same for "Signalized intersection stops with queue jump/bus bay @ 11 locations" and "Online stop development @ 11 locations"? How does this number (11) relate to the information presented in "Display Panels"?

Please note all cost estimates and the number of stop locations presented at PIC #2 are representative only. The Project Team is to have further consultation with Oakville Transit and Burlington Transit to confirm the exact number of stop locations and proposed transit improvements to the support corridors (Brant Street, Appleby Line, Third Line and Plains Road).

"Signalized intersection stops with queue jump/bus bay @ 11 locations" – represent costs for bus stops together with transit priority measures along the support corridors (Brant Street, Appleby Line, Third Line and Plains Road) "Online stop development @ 11 locations" – represent cost for major stops along Dundas Street corridor to support BRT services (while we have identified 25 stop locations on the PIC display, only some of them will be used for BRT services) "Support corridor development @ 12 locations" – represent costs for bus stop improvements along the support corridors (Brant Street, Appleby Line, Third Line and Plains Road)

Similarly, why are there 12 locations under "Support corridor development", and where are these located? How does this number (12) relate to the information presented in "Display Panels"?

- To confirm, you mentioned that "Support corridor development" would include:
- Improved bus operations along Third Line, Appleby Line, Brant Street
- Transit signal priority measures at major intersections

Response is as per above.

We would appreciate any further assistance you can offer.

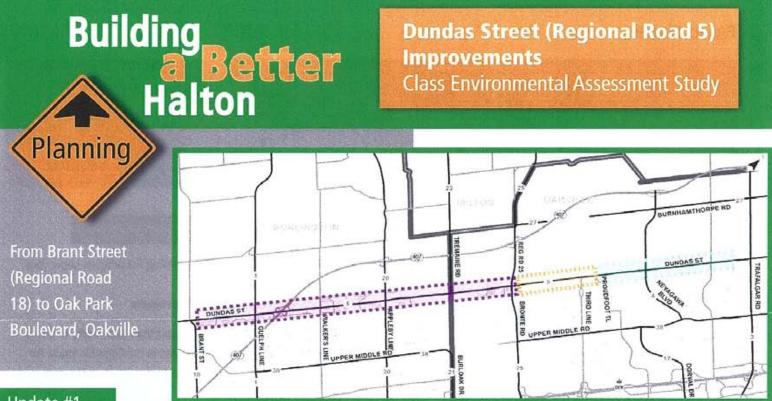
Thank you,

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CONFIDENTIALITY NOTE



Update #1

Dundas Street is, and will continue to be, a critical east-west corridor to move people, goods and services in and through Halton. As travel demand grows, Halton Region is continuing to improve Dundas Street. Some sections have already been expanded to six lanes; some sections are under construction; and other sections are still in the planning stages.

What will Dundas Street look like?

As Dundas Street is expanded through Oakville and Burlington, it gives us an opportunity to provide enhancements that will make Dundas Street an attractive corridor for pedestrians and cyclists, and ensure that new and existing land uses are integrated with heritage and natural features. .

High Occupancy Vehicle(HOV)/Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) lanes

A major enhancement to Dundas Street will be the provision of High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes for vehicles with two or more people. Initially, when Dundas Street is widened to six lanes, it is proposed that the two outside curb lanes will be dedicated for carpoolers and buses, except at intersections and entrances where right turns are needed. As bus use increases in Oakville and Burlington over the period to 2031, these carpooling and bus lanes are expected to become dedicated Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) lanes.

- Section 1: Bronte Road (Regional Road 25) to
- Proudfoot Trail, Oakville Section 2: Neyagawa Boulevard (Regional Road 4)
 - to Oak Park Boulevard, Oakville
- Section 3: Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Bronte Road (Regional Road 25), Burlington/Oakville

A Phased Approach

Early in the planning process, it was proposed that Dundas Street would operate with dedicated Bus Rapid Transit lanes as soon as the widening was complete. But completing the widening of Dundas Street through Oakville and Burlington will take a number of years, and after meeting with residents, Local Municipalities,

Transit Authorities and others, we realized that a phased approach would provide a better option. By incorporating the HOV lanes that can be used by both buses and carpoolers we will be able to promote transit usage while optimizing the use of the road. As the demand for public transit grows the HOV lanes can be converted to dedicated BRT lanes.

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Project Phases



What's next?

Halton Region is carrying out three co-ordinated, but separate, Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Studies for the three remaining sections of Dundas Street which need to be planned. These studies will be carried out in the following order, and will build on work the Region has already completed:

- Section 1: Bronte Road (Regional Road 25) to Proudfoot Trail, Oakville
- Section 2: Neyagawa Boulevard (Regional Road 4) to Oak Park Boulevard, Oakville
- Section 3: Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Bronte Road (Regional Road 25), Burlington/Oakville

Over the next few months, the Project Team will meet with the community and staff from Town of Oakville (Planning, Engineering, Parks), Oakville Transit, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation Halton, Metrolinx and other agencies to complete the planning for Section 1 between Bronte Road and Proudfoot Trail.

On behalf of Halton Region, the project team would like to thank everyone who has already participated in the Class EA Study. For additional information, please contact:

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Join us at Public Information Centre #3 (Dundas Street between Bronte Road and Proudfoot Trail)

Date:	Thursday, September 13, 2012
Time:	Drop-in: 6:30p.m. – 8:30p.m.
Location:	Halton Regional Centre - North/South Auditoriums
	1151 Bronte Road, Oakville





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Cc:	Green-Battiston, Melissa; Zervos, Nick; Sector State State State State Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim
Subject:	RE: Dundas Corridor cycling path

Thank-you for your email regarding the Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study, within both the City of Burlington and Town of Oakville. In terms of planning, a lot has occurred from the combined Public Information Centre (PIC) in November 2009. Since that time the planning for improvements to the Dundas Street Corridor is now being carried-out under three co-ordinated but separate Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Studies:

- Section 1: Bronte Road to Proudfoot Trail was completed in December 2012 and is currently within detail design. Construction is to begin in late 2013 and will be completed in 2015 to coincide with the opening of the New Oakville Hospital. Here is the link to the project web-page (http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalId=8310&pageId=25607)
- Section 2: Neyagawa Boulevard to Oak Park Boulevard is currently under study. The last PIC was completed on May 15, 2013 and the Region anticipates filing the Environmental Study Report (ESR) in Fall 2013. Here is the link to the project web-page (<u>http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalld=8310&pageId=22680</u>)
- Section 3: Brant Street to Bronte Road, predominantly in the City of Burlington, to be carried out after the completion of Section 2 in 2014. Here is the link to the project web-page
 (http://www.halton.ca/cms/One.aspx?portalId=8310&pageId=83289)

Within the Town of Oakville, Dundas Street from Bronte Road to Ninth Line the Region is planning to construct a 3.0m multi-use path on both sides of the road to provide Active Transportation facilities for all pedestrians and cyclists.

In parallel, the Region is currently undertaking an Active Transportation Master Plan (ATMP) Study to develop the required strategy, infrastructure, initiatives and programs to promote non-motorized travel throughout the Region to 2031. The Region's objective is to create an Active Transportation Master Plan that is safe, affordable and sustainable. The project web-page for the ATMP can be found at:

www.halton.ca/ActiveTransportation

As part of the ATMP process, the Project Team is developing draft Cycling and Walking Networks that will be presented to the public at information centres in late Fall 2013 for review and comment. Therefore, within the City of Burlington there may be an opportunity to consider different types of on-road and off-road facilities (i.e. exclusive on-road bike lanes, etc.) including intersection treatments. It is important to note that the draft ATMP cycling and pedestrian networks and recommendations will be used as input into the Class EA Studies.

If you would like to be included on the ATMP Study mailing list, please let me know and you will be added to receive all notices electronically.

Thank-you for providing the link to the Netherlands study and your comments regarding Active Transportation within the Dundas Street Corridor. The Project Team will consider them as we move forward with the Class EA Studies.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Thanks,

Jeff

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1151 Bronte Road Oakville, ON L6M 3L1

From: Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 4:22 PM To: Reid, Jeffrey; Subject: Dundas Corridor cycling path

'nahmed@mrd.ca'

Good day,

At the Nov 24th PIC, we noticed that the dedicated cycle tracks from the 2009 plan are now identified as a multi-use path. We would like to see them re-designated as a cycle track. Cycling infrastructure is a benefit, not a cost.

Dundas is a strategic link between Halton, Hamilton and Peel. Cycle tracks along Dundas are very valuable if we ever want to move towards alternative, active transportation.

There are many cyclists already commuting year round along Dundas. A cycle track would make their journey much safer. You may know there has been at least 1 death and at least 4 car-cyclist incidents along Dundas involving cycling commuters in the last 2 years.

The use of dedicated cycle tracks would be a an enormous benefit to the recreational and commuter cyclists in Halton. The benefits are many:

1.Increased physical activity
1.this keeps people healthy and fights against obesity and lack of exercise
2.which in turn reduces health care costs
1.which make up 25% of our provincial spending and is expected to rise if people don't become more active
2.Commuter / rider safety

1.people will cycle more when they feel safe, especially women and children

- 3.Removes cars from roads
- 1.reduces fossil fuel consumption
- 2.reduces CO2 emissions

3.reduces commute times
4.reduces impact in the infrastructure - bikes have less impact on the roads than cars and trucks
4.Helps the environment
1.reduces CO2 emissions
5.Provide an alternative to commuting without using fossil fuels
1.cost savings as people don't need to buy gas as often
2.environmentally sound
A recent study (<u>http://bit.lv/mTsqeq</u>) in the Netherlands indicates that cycling infrastructure is cheaper to build than not to build.

"The proceeds that can be attributed to bicycle highways considerably outweigh the costs. The next couple of years approximately €100 million will be invested in bicycle highways in the Netherlands. That will lead to future annual profits of at least €144 million in travel time gained, better health and environmental benefits."

For more details on the value of cycling, please see this link. (<u>http://bit.ly/rWJZlu</u>) The report was commissioned by the UK government and written by a firm focusing on sustainable development (<u>www.sqw.co.uk</u>). It was written to support the UK's National Cycling Strategy.



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Thank you

Katherine Jim

From:	Reid, Jeffrey <jeffrey.reid@halton.ca></jeffrey.reid@halton.ca>
Sent:	June-27-13 12:27 PM
То:	Dave Mowat
Cc:	Green-Battiston, Melissa; Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim
Subject:	RE: Dundas Street Transportation Corridor Improvements
Attachments:	Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation - Notice of Study Completion.PDF;
	Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation - Notice of PIC#5.PDF

Mr. Mowat,

You are correct as there has not been any recent correspondence for the Dundas Street Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study from Bronte Road to Proudfoot Trail, within the Town of Oakville. The Environmental Study Report (ESR) was filed in December 2012. The project web-page for this study is below, where you will find all Newsletters, Notices, Public Information Centre and ESR material.

http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalid=8310&pageId=25607

For this project, our last letter to the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation (dated December 3, 2012) was addressed to Chief Tracy Gauthier (attached). The project web-page does not contain letters or direct correspondence with Agencies or the Public.

More recently, for the planning of the Dundas Street Corridor we sent the attached letter (dated April 29, 2013) to Chief Tracy Gauthier for the final Public Information Centre for the Dundas Street Class EA Study from Neyagawa Boulevard to Oak Park Boulevard, within the Town of Oakville.

I would like to emphasize that your Agency has been receiving all project-related correspondence directly from Halton Region.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks,

Jeff

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1151 Bronte Road Oakville, ON L6M 3L1 From: Dave Mowat [mailto:dmowat@scugogfirstnation.com] Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 12:12 PM To: Reid, Jeffrey Subject: Dundas Street Transportation Corridor Improvements

Good Morning Mr. Reid:

In reference to the above project, **Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Transportation Corridor Improvements, Bronte Road (Regional Road 25) to Proudfoot Trail**, I would like to receive any updates to the projects, unless everything since the notices of last August/12 can be found on the <u>www.halton.ca/EAprojects</u> website. As Dundas runs through an important Mississauga Nation corridor it is always of great importance to stay abreast of infrastructure projects effecting it.

Thank you,

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DUNDAS STREET (REGIONAL ROAD 5) TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

BRANT STREET TO BRONTE ROAD

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE – May 29, 2014 SUMMARY REPORT

July 2014



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1. INTRODUCTION

Dundas Street is one of the most important transportation facilities in the existing and future Halton Region transportation network. This roadway serves the movement of goods and commuters and distributes traffic to and from the Provincial freeway system, as well as providing access to residential, commercial and industrial land uses in north Oakville, Burlington and neighbouring municipalities of Hamilton to the west and Mississauga to the east.

The need to widen Dundas Street was identified and reaffirmed through the Halton Functional Road Network and North Halton Transportation Study (1999), Halton Transportation Master Plan (2004) and the Halton Region Transportation Master Plan (to 2031) – The Road to Change (October 2011). As part of an integrated transportation strategy, Halton Region has determined that Dundas Street will continue to provide four general traffic lanes plus two lanes for Transit / High Occupancy Vehicles (HOV). This is consistent across recent planning documents.

Given the foregoing, Halton Region is proceeding with Class EA Studies of Dundas Street through the Town of Oakville and City of Burlington, in order to implement the proposed widening as identified through earlier studies and the Region's Transportation Master Plan.

In the Metrolinx Regional Transportation Plan (2008), *The Big Move*, a higher-order transit facility along Dundas Street between Brant Street and Kipling Station was identified on the basis of submissions by area municipalities to the Province for rapid transit funding. Subsequently, Halton Region was awarded funding for transit improvements on Dundas Street. In 2010, MMM carried out a Business Plan Assessment for the Dundas Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Corridor which identified the role of the Dundas Street BRT in the overall transit network, as well as recommendations beyond Dundas Street to complement the proposed Dundas Street BRT system. The support corridors included segments of Brant Street, Appleby Line, Third Line and Plains Road/Fairview Street. Although these segments have not been studied in detail, conceptually, spot treatments (queue jumps lanes at key signalized intersections and enhanced bus stops) are envisaged rather than widening for continuous dedicated bus lanes on those sections. The need for a higher order transit facility on Dundas Street was also confirmed in the Halton Region Transportation Master Plan (to 2031) – The Road to Change.

The planning for proposed improvements on Dundas Street has been carried out in a series of studies and changes to some studies. The study between Proudfoot Trail and Brant Street was initiated in 2009. Subsequently, the study limits expanded to Trafalgar Road to Brant Street. This encompassed the EA Study from Oak Park Boulevard to Neyagawa Boulevard which was initiated in 2005.

Earlier in the study process, it was proposed that Dundas Street would operate with dedicated Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) lanes as soon as the widening was completed. In 2011, investigation of the feasibility of dedicated BRT lanes on Dundas Street between Trafalgar Road and Brant Street was carried out and Halton Region confirmed the need for higher order transit facilities on Dundas Street in the long term (by 2031). The curb lane option was identified as preferred and was presented to the public in November 2011.

Recognizing that completing the widening of Dundas Street through Oakville and Burlington will take a number of years, and after meeting with residents, local municipalities, transit authorities and others, further consideration was given to a phased implementation approach for providing incremental transportation improvements. By incorporating the HOV / Transit lanes that can be used by both buses and qualified vehicles including carpools, the Region would be able to promote transit usage while optimizing the use of the widened road. As the demand for public transit grows to a threshold level, the HOV lanes can be readily converted to dedicated BRT lanes.

To address development schedules in the corridor and staging of HOV lanes, Halton Region divided the original study limits from Trafalgar Road to Brant Street into three sections and is carrying out three co-ordinated, but separate Class Environmental Assessment Studies. These studies are being carried out in the following order and are building on earlier related work the Project Team has already completed (see Exhibit 1-1):

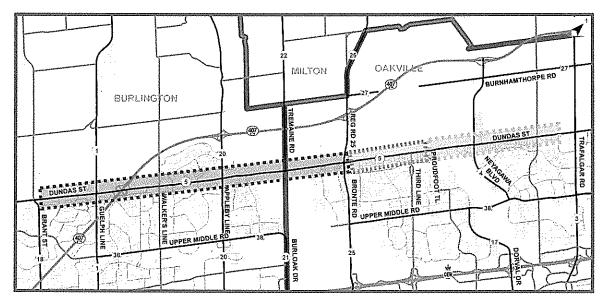


Exhibit 1-1: Dundas Street Corridor and Environmental Assessment Studies

- Section 1: Bronte Road (Regional Road 25) to Proudfoot Trail Town of Oakville [Completed December 2012; currently in detailed design.]
- Section 2: Neyagawa Boulevard (Regional Road 4) to Oak Park Boulevard Town of Oakville [Completed December 2013.]
- Section 3: Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Bronte Road (Regional Road 25) City of Burlington / Town of Oakville [Current EA Study]

When construction (widening to 6 lanes) between Bronte Road and Highway 403 is completed, HOV/Transit lanes may operate between Bronte Road and Highway 403. Extension of HOV/Transit operations westerly from Bronte Road will be confirmed in consultation with the City of Burlington and the Town of Oakville and local transit operators.

The Public Information Centre held on May 29, 2014 is the subject of this report, focused on Section 3 – Brant Street to Bronte Road.

2. PURPOSE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Public Information Centres (PIC) are part of the overall consultation program for this project and are designed to involve stakeholders early and throughout the study process, to aid in identifying public concerns and to assist in the development of a preferred alternative.

The first PIC was held on June 23, 2011. The purpose of PIC #1 was to provide stakeholders with an opportunity to meet the Project Team and discuss issues related to the project, review the study scope, existing conditions along the Dundas Street corridor, elements of BRT, preliminary concepts of BRT alternatives (Curb vs. Median), evaluation criteria, and next steps.

The second PIC was held on November 24, 2011 and the purpose of PIC #2 was to provide an opportunity for residents, businesses, agencies and other interested individuals to review the preliminary preferred BRT alternative (curb BRT), potential elements of BRT facilities and next steps. PIC #2 was held as a joint information centre with the Trafalgar Road BRT Study. See Halton Region website: <u>http://www.halton.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalId=8310&pageId=22703</u> for more information about the Trafalgar Road BRT Study.

Subsequent to PIC #2, Halton Region decided to adopt a phased implementation approach for providing incremental transportation improvements, as noted in Section 1. Since then, Halton Region divided the original study limits from Trafalgar Road to Brant Street into three sections and is carrying out three co-ordinated, but separate Class Environmental Assessment Studies.

The third PIC for the section of Dundas Street between Brant Street to Bronte Road was held on May 29, 2014 and the purpose was to present the preliminary design plan for the proposed Dundas Street improvements between Brant Street and Bronte Road, and collect public input regarding the proposed improvements.

The study area of Dundas Street between Brant Street and Bronte Road is approximately 10 km and as highlighted in purple in Exhibit 1-1. The easterly study limit will integrate with the existing 6-lane section at Bronte Road and the westerly limit will integrate with the planned 6-lane section at Brant Street (currently in detailed design).

3. LOCATION, DATE, TIME

The PIC was held as follows:

Date:	Thursday, May 29, 2014
Time	6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Drop-in)
Location:	Tansley Woods Community Centre – Community Rooms 2 & 3
	1996 Itabashi Way, Burlington

4. PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

The Notice of PIC was placed in two editions of the Oakville Beaver and Burlington Post - Thursday, May 15 and May 22, 2014.

A copy of the PIC notice is provided in Appendix A.

The Region provided the Notice of PIC to the following Aboriginal groups / organizations by mail during the week of April 29, 2013:

- Alderville First Nation
- Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation
- Six Nations of the Grand River
- Curve Lake First Nation
- Mohawks of Akwesasne First Nation
- The Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte First Nation
- Hiawatha First Nation
- Oneida Nation of the Thames
- Wahta Mohawks First Nation
- Mississaugas of Scugog Island
- Six Nations Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council
- Credit River Metis Council
- Metis Nation of Ontario Head Office

MMM provided the Notice of PIC to the following on May 12, 2014 via mail (some via email):

- Technical Agencies Federal Agencies, Provincial Ministries, Local Municipalities and Utilities
- Property owners within the study area (between Brant Street and Bronte Road)
- Those on the public mailing list, including those who signed in at previous PICs and/or provided written comments

5. ATTENDANCE

The following Halton Region and Consultant staff were in attendance at the PIC to answer questions and to discuss the study with the public:

Halton Region

- Jeff Reid, C.E.T., Project Manager
- Tim Dennis, P.Eng., Director of Transportation Services
- Maureen Van Ravens, P.Eng, Manager of Transportation Planning & Roads Operation
- Melissa Green-Battiston, P.Eng., Supervisor Transportation Planning
- Matt Krusto, Transportation Coordinator
- Patrick Monaghan, Transportation Planner

<u>MMM</u>

- Neil Ahmed, P.Eng., Consultant Project Manager
- Katherine Jim, P.Eng., Project Engineer

Councillor Paul Sharman (Ward 5) and Councillor Blair Lancaster (Ward 6), as well as City of Burlington staff also attended the PIC.

Approximately 39 members of the public signed in at the PIC. The sign-in register is on file with Halton Region.

6. DISPLAY PANELS

The information provided at the PIC was presented to the public through a series of display panels and included the following:

- Welcome
- Study Process
- Purpose of the PIC
- Background
- Dundas Street Improvements
- MEA Study Process
- Existing Conditions
- Past Public Information Centres
- Long-Term Implementation Strategy
- Proposed Improvements
- Preliminary Plan (Brant Street to Bronte Road) 1:1000 scale
 - Typical Cross Section and Streetscape Opportunities
 - Brant Street to Northampton Boulevard
 - Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line
 - Appleby Line to Bronte Road
- Potential Future Bus Stops Locations
- Traffic Operations Access
- Active Transportation
- About Noise

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- Noise Analysis
- Mitigation Measures
- Next Steps

The display panels are included in Appendix B (not including the existing condition plan and preliminary plan).

7. FORMAT

Open House

The PIC was conducted as an open house from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Those who attended could review the available display panels and discuss the study with Regional Staff and the Consultants.

Sign-in and Comment

Individuals attending the PIC were asked to sign the register upon arrival. Attendees were informed of the availability of comment sheets and were invited to complete comment sheets at the meeting or to provide any further comments by Friday, June 13, 2014 via mail, e-mail or fax. The information presented at the PICs was also made available on the study website:

http://www.halton.ca/EAprojects

8. VERBAL COMMENTS

Attendees reviewed the panels and discussed their issues and comments with Regional Staff and the Consultants. Below is a summary of topics raised by the attendees:

- Inquires about the details related to active transportation facilities (e.g. type of cycling facilities, dimension, crossing at intersection, etc.)
- Safety of students near the high school at Tim Dobbie Drive
- General support for the proposed improvements on Dundas Street
- Potential impacts related to individual properties and businesses
- Increases in traffic noise levels

9. WRITTEN COMMENTS

Ten (10) comment sheets were submitted at the PIC. Four (4) written comments were submitted after the PIC in the form of emails. All comments received are included in Appendix C, the comments focussing on:

- Inquires about the details related to active transportation facilities (e.g. type of cycling facilities, dimension, crossing at intersection, etc.)
- Information request on specific property

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE (May 2013)



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Class Environmental Assessment Study Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Transportation Corridor Improvements Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Bronte Road (Regional Road 25), City of Burlington / Town of Oakville PR-2550A

Study

Halton Region is undertaking a Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study for road improvements along the Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) corridor from Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Bronte Road (Regional Road 25), within the City of Burlington and Town of Oakville.

To best address the travel demand along Dundas Street, a number of road improvement alternatives have been examined as part of this study, including the long-term provision for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT). This study provides an opportunity to develop multimodal transportation improvements along Dundas Street which includes enhancement as an attractive corridor for pedestrians and cyclists, integrating new and existing land uses with heritage and natural features.

Process

The study is being conducted in compliance with Schedule C of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (October 2000, amended 2007 & 2011), which is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

Previous Public Information Centres were held to obtain public input on June 23, 2011 and November 24, 2011.

The final Public Information Centre will be held to present the preliminary preferred design and the implementation strategy for improvements including the provision of curb lane High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/transit operations in the interim and the longterm transition to BRT by 2031.

Public Information Centre

Date:	Thursday, May 29, 2014
Time:	Drop-in 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Location:	Tansley Woods Community Centre – Community Rooms 2 & 3 1996 Itabashi Way, Burlington

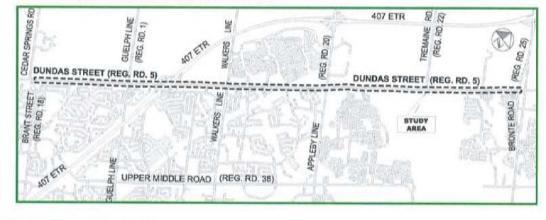
Comments

If you are unable to attend the Public Information Centre and would like to provide comments, please forward them by Friday, June 13, 2014 to either Project Team member (below). For more information on this project, please visit the project website at www.halton.ca/EAprojects.

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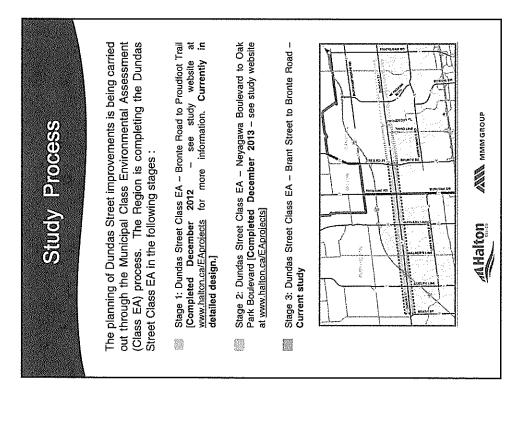


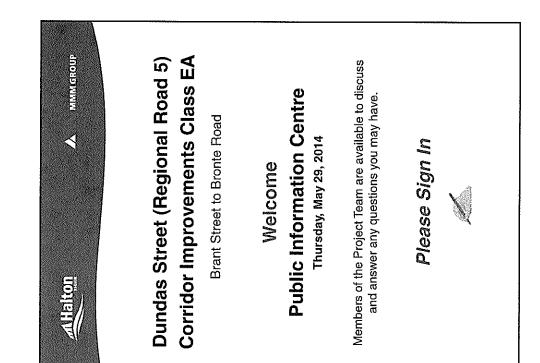
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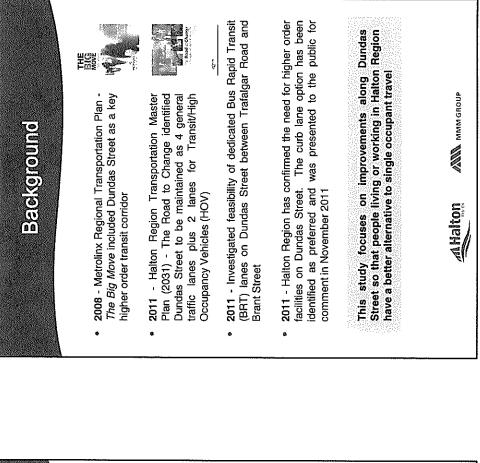


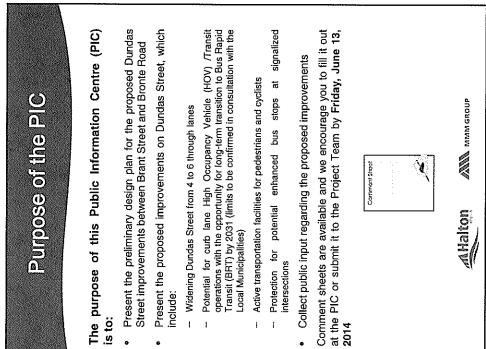
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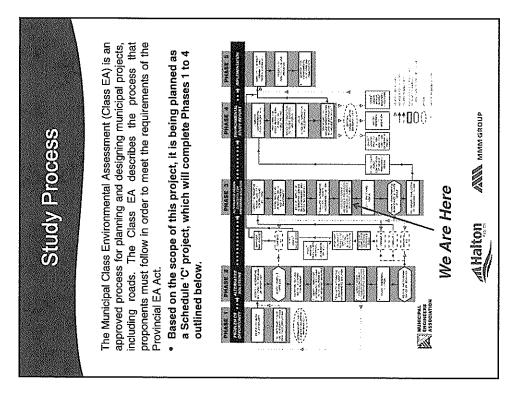
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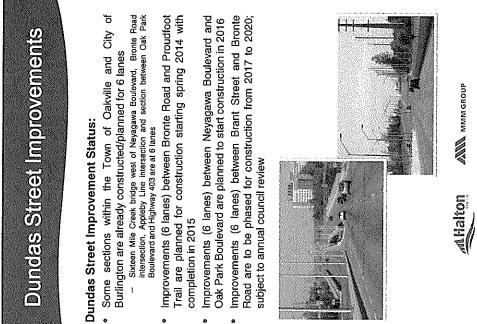






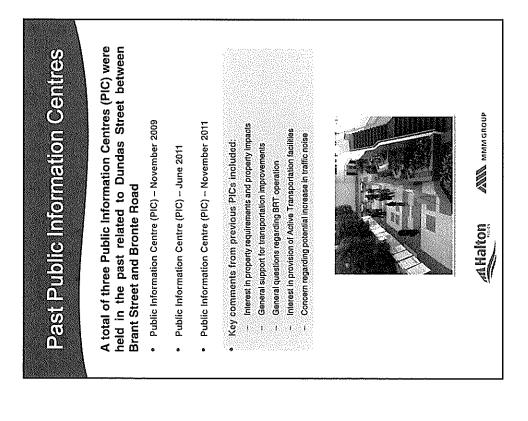


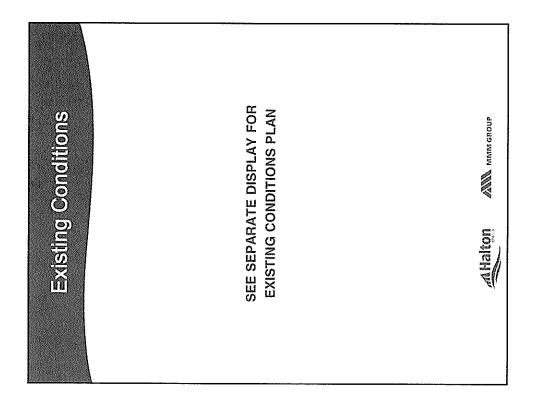


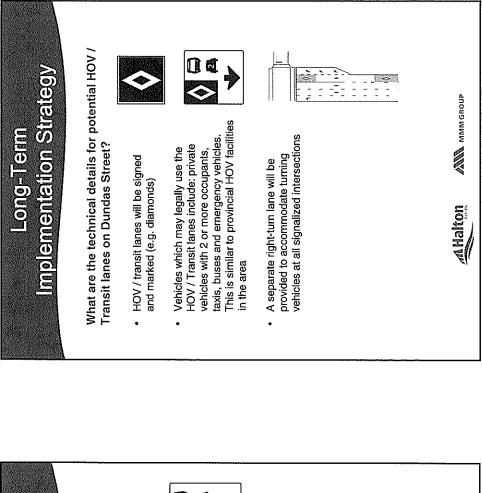


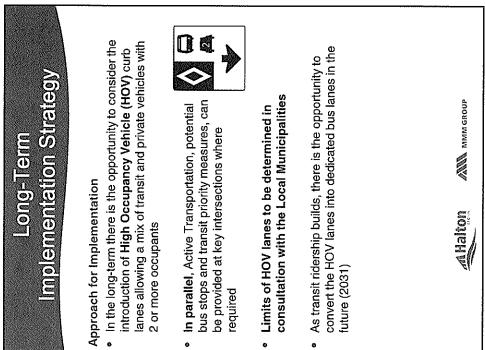
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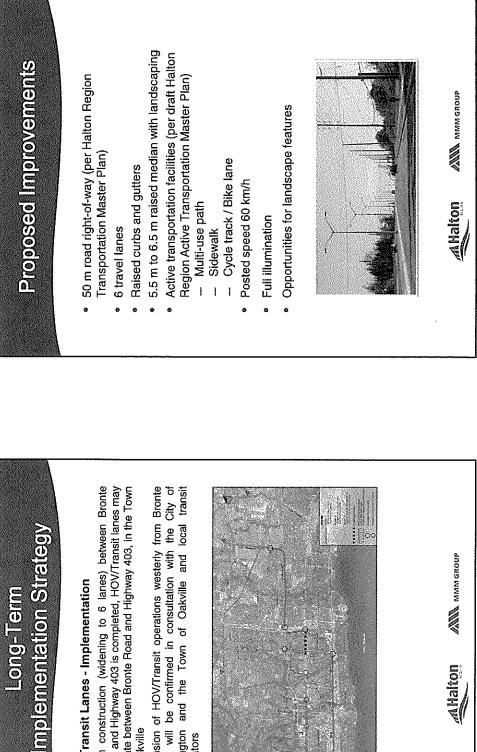






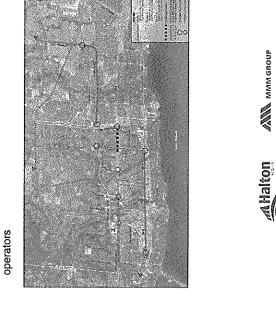


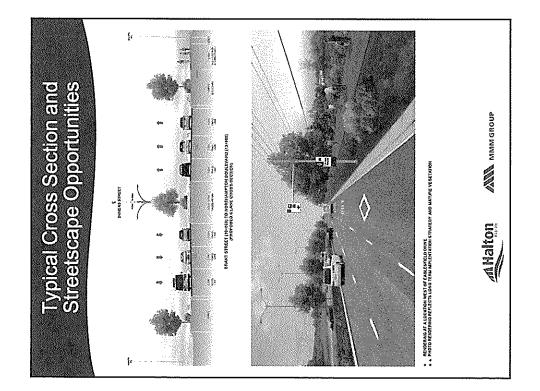


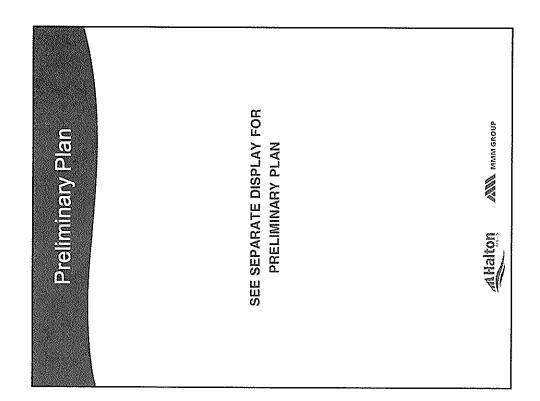


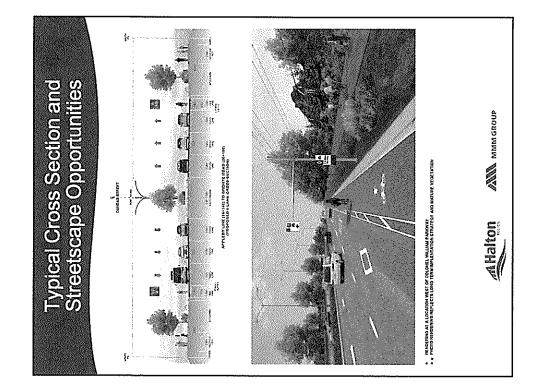


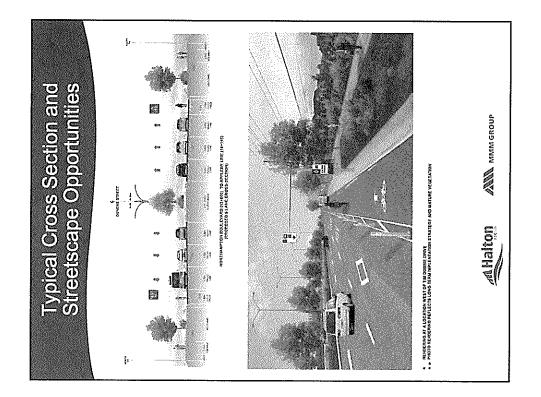
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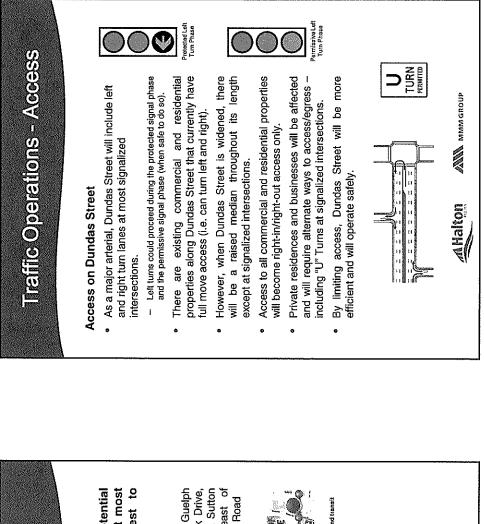


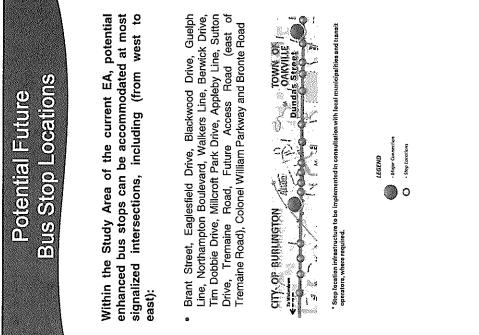


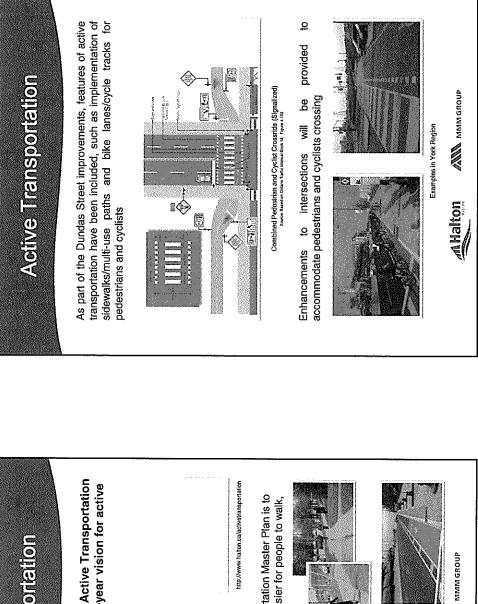


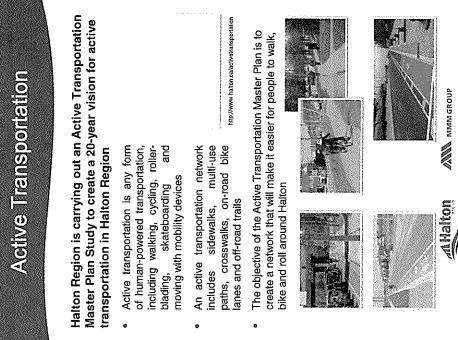


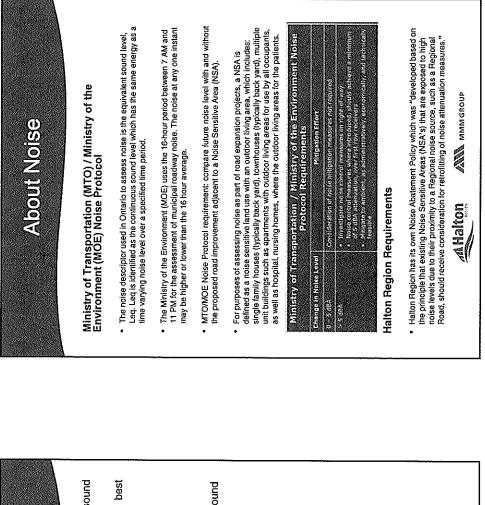


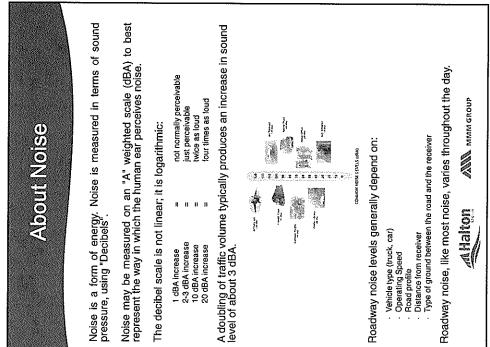




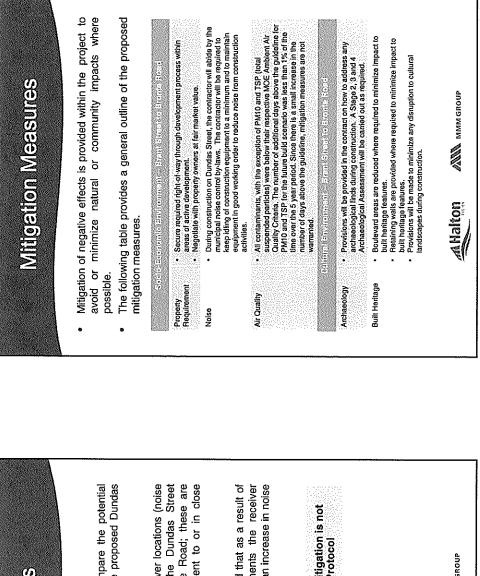


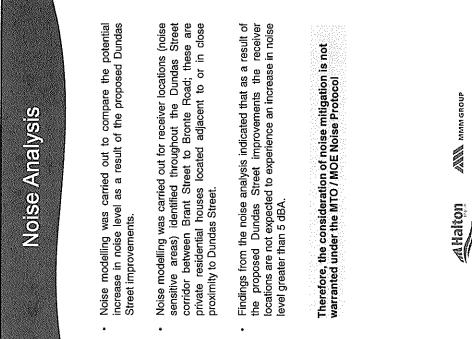




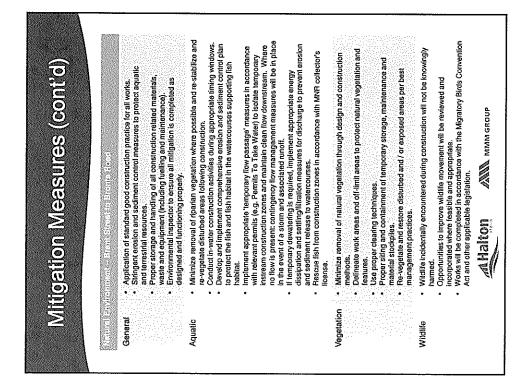








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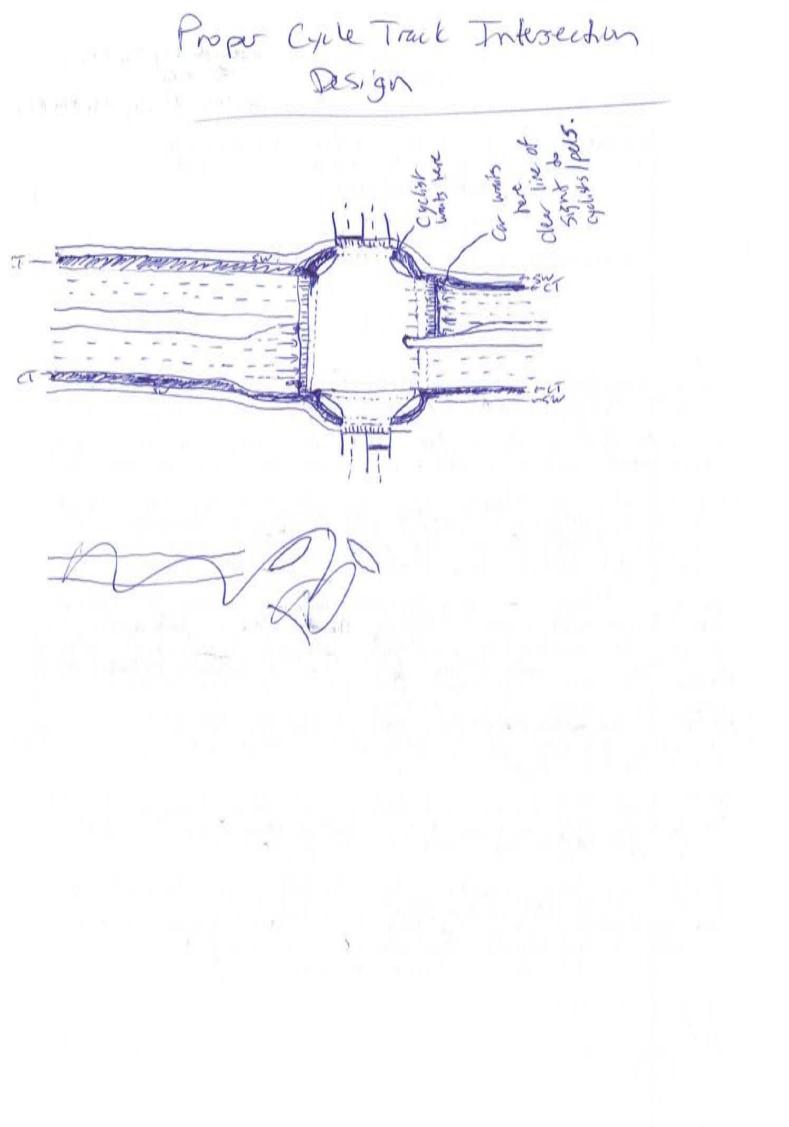
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То:	'Gene Wasik'
Cc:	Lancaster, Blair; Sharman, Paul; Dennison, Jack; Carr, Gary; MacCaskill, Jane; Caglioti, Darshan; Dickson, Irene; Dennis, Tim; Van Ravens, Maureen; Green-Battiston, Melissa;
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	Stephen Barnes; Willard, Kendra; Willard, Kendra; Chris Ariens; Don Thorpe (dthorpe10
	@cogeco.ca); Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim
Subject:	RE: Dundas Street comments

Dear Mr. Wasik and Members of the Burlington Cycling Committee,

We would like to thank you for attending the Public Information Centre (PIC) for the above-noted study on May 29, 2014 and for providing your comments to the Project Team.

The Dundas Street Project Team and the Region's Active Transportation Master Plan (ATMP) Project Team have reviewed and discussed your comments regarding the active transportation facilities along Dundas Street. We apologize for the length of our response, but we wanted to ensure that your comments were fully addressed.

Combined crossrides are proposed to be implemented in place of standard crosswalks, to allow crossing cyclists to ride across intersections where cyclists on the proposed multi-use trails would otherwise be required to dismount and walk their bikes across.

The 'combined' arrangement is the most appropriate for corridors such as Dundas Street where cyclists and pedestrians will be sharing the same space on the approach to an intersection. The layout will be similar to the example shown in **Figure 1** below. Similar facilities are also being proposed for the widening at Dundas Street / Third Line intersection (in the Town of Oakville).

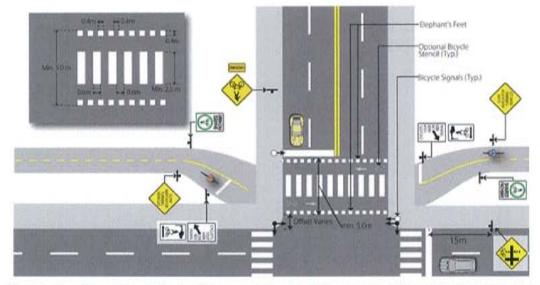


Figure 1 – Combined Pedestrian and Cyclist Crossride (Signalized Example)

Source: Based on Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18, Figure 4.102.

The proposed active transportation elements on Dundas Street follow the recommendations from the draft Halton Region ATMP. For the current EA the Dundas Street corridor can be divided into three general

sections as follows: Section 1 - Brant Street to Northampton Boulevard, Section 2 - Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line, and Section 3 - Appleby Line to Bronte Road:

- Section 1 Brant Street to Northampton Boulevard: Niagara Escarpment land is on the north side of Dundas Street and will likely experience limited development in the future. Most of the active transportation use will be on the south side of Dundas Street; therefore, a 4 m multi-use path on the south side only (bi-directional) is proposed.
- Section 2 Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line: This is the most "urbanized" section of Dundas Street and where the highest cycling and pedestrian activity is anticipated within the City of Burlington. Therefore, it is proposed to provide separate facilities for cyclists and pedestrians. Cycle tracks consisting of 1.8 m bike lane + 0.5 m buffer (delineated by breakaway bollards) are proposed. Please note that in place of the proposed 2.0 m sidewalk that was shown at the May 29, 2014 PIC, a 3.0 m multi-use path is now being proposed following the receipt of comments at that PIC. This change recognizes that the secondary school / community centre will attract higher active transportation use, and provide the option for cyclists who want to be off-road.
- Section 3 Appleby Line to Bronte Road: It is expected that there will be less pedestrian use through this area; however cyclists will likely continue through from Appleby Line into the Town of Oakville. Therefore, it is proposed that cyclists / pedestrians share the multi-use path on both sides of the road in combination with on-road facilities. Through this section of Dundas Street, 1.5 m on-road bike lanes + 0.3 m painted buffer and 3.0 m multi-use path on both sides of the road are proposed.



Figure 2 – Example Conflict Zone Treatment

Source: Excerpt from Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18, Figure 5.23.

alternatives, for example:

- bike stencils at 1.5 m to 10 m spacing with optional directional arrows;
- · dashed guide lines with optional bike stencils; or
- green surface treatment only.

Providing additional pavement markings and coloured surfacing alerts drivers to the presence of the potential conflict with cyclists. Directional arrow markings clarify that the bike lane is for through cyclists and the fact that they have priority in such locations. Similar treatments may be selectively used where the proposed multi-use path crosses an access. The type and location of these enhancements will be confirmed following further review during the detailed design stage.

Although the dimensions and facility types change through the corridor based on anticipated usage and adjacent land uses, the provision of active transportation facilities on Dundas Street is continuous between Brant Street and Bronte Road. In particular, multi-use paths are proposed on Dundas Street throughout the study area, which will also allow cyclists to pass behind the proposed (future) bus shelters.

It is recognized that there are locations where motor vehicles will cross the proposed on-road cycling facilities. A potential treatment for these conflict zones is the application of dashed guide lines with bike stencils and green surface treatment with optional directional arrows, as shown in **Figure 2**. 'Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18 - Cycling Facilities' also presents some In response to comments received, we have reviewed the proposed facilities on the northwest corner of the Appleby Line intersection, outside Walmart. Between the end of the proposed bus bay and the Walmart access, there is approximately 120 m over which motor vehicles may merge across the proposed cycle track. The consistent location of the cycle track and the adjacent travel lane will maximize the visibility of cyclists in the cycle track and ensure they will not be obscured by any stopped buses. The facility could be emphasized by the provision of coloured surface treatment and/or additional pavement markings as described above. Again, this will be confirmed following further review during the detailed design stage.

With respect to comments regarding the raised median provided throughout the Dundas Street Corridor, it is important for a number of factors, including safety, landscaping opportunities and accommodating left-turn lanes. While the landscaping plan for the Dundas Street corridor will be developed during detail design, landscape architects indicate that a minimum 5m wide median is ideal for tree planting and long-term survival of vegetation. Please note that the raised median is narrowed at approaches to intersections to accommodate the left turn lane storage or where there is a significant property constraint (e.g. heritage property). The proposed lane width on Dundas Street (3.5 m) is consistent with the Region's Council approved Right-of-Way Guidelines and other major arterial road widths within Halton Region.

Dundas Street is an important east-west arterial corridor in Halton Region and it is the Region's vision to transition the character of this road from an existing rural high-speed facility to a pedestrian and cyclist-friendly multi-modal urban corridor. A multi-modal corridor provides a balanced transportation system within the Regional right-of-way and accommodates all roads users, including transit and active transportation. Land uses adjacent to Dundas Street are changing from vacant agricultural fields to residential and commercial uses. The purpose of the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study is to identify proposed improvements on Dundas Street to support future growth and development in the communities and to protect the right-of-way required to implement the various multi-modal elements. Recognizing the growing trend in active transportation, new treatments and concepts will be developed in the future. The protected right-of-way on Dundas Street through the Class EA Study will allow flexibility to explore the feasibility of implementing these new treatments during detailed design.

Both the Active Transportation Master Plan and Dundas Street Project Teams have reviewed and discussed the feasibility of the "Dutch" intersection crossing treatments for cyclists on Dundas Street. While this treatment may be suitable for roads in a European setting, it was agreed that this type of crossing treatment is not preferred for a major arterial road such as Dundas Street.

Thank you for your interest in the Dundas Street Class EA Study.

Regards,

Jeff

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1151 Bronte Road Oakville, ON L6M 3L1

From: Sent: To: Cc: Reid, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca> June-04-14 3:33 PM



Subject:

RE: Dundas Street comments

Hi Everyone,

On behalf of the Dundas Street Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study, I would like to acknowledge the comments received as they pertain to the proposed Active Transportation facilities along Dundas Street, between Brant Street and Bronte Road, within the City of Burlington and Town of Oakville.

The Project Team will respond to your comments, subsequent to the June 13, 2014 deadline to receive comments regarding the Public Information Centre held on May 29, 2014.

Thank-you for your input,

Jeff

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Subject: Re: Dundas Street comments

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Neil Ahmed May-31-14 7:02 PM Jeffrey Reid Katherine Jim Re: Dundas Street comments

Neil

On May 31, 2014, at 11:21 AM, "Dennison, Jack" < Jack. Dennison@burlington.ca> wrote:

The best contact people would be the senior staff involved with the city and regional transportation Master Plans could be a good place to start iack

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Got back from Spain, and pix of some biking facilities will follow as soon as I have them sorted out......

Bert Armstrong

----- Original Message -----From: <u>Chris Ariens</u> To: <u>Don Thorpe</u>

Sent: Friday, May 30, 2014 8:24 PM Subject: Re: Dundas Street comments

I share Gene's concerns, particularly the freeway-like design with wide lanes and wide medians that will encourage high speeds in an area that is heavily used by children and students, and the point about consistency. People drive at the speed that feels safe, and with these features, speeds of 80km/h or more will feel safe to motorists despite the posted 60 limit.

From: Gene Wasik [mailto:rgenie@gmail.com] Sent: Friday, May 30, 2014 9:48 AM To: Willard, Kendra; Reid, Jeffrey; Chris Ariens Subject: Fwd: Dundas Street comments

Sent again without pictures.

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<sharmanp@burlington.ca>, Councillor Blair Lancaster <lancasterb@burlington.ca>

As the Burlington representative on the Halton Cycling Committee & Burlington Cycling committee attendee I have the following comments on the project.

<u>Description</u>: Dundas has a rural section in the west end and an urban built up area towards the east. I realise this & land/cost influence the design choices.

<u>Project:</u> In a nutshell, starting at Brant, moving west to east, the cyclist is on a 4m <u>bi-directional</u> multi- use path (MUP) separated from the roadway.

At Northampton, the MUP becomes a side way forcing the cyclist onto the roadway onto a 1.3m bike lane separated from the HOV lane by a .5m striped lane with vertical poles. IMO, they erroneously refer to this as a cycle track.

At Appleby, the 1.5m bike lane is separated by a .3m striped lane with no poles.

Comments:

1. Despite the urban/rural character, the road should be consistent. Motorists & cyclists prefer consistency, familiarity. That's why interchanges are designed the same way - where possible.

2. Use the Appleby to Bronte template. Narrow the median, lane widths or boulevards to achieve this. There are 4 bus stops in the rural section & these would access the bus stops by walking on a MUP on the northside.

3. 6 lanes & a wide median makes Dundas a very wide roadway. The 3.5m vehicle width will encourage motorists to speed. Narrow the lanes to 3.1m (Fairview at QEW - IKEA) & slow down the traffic. There are schools, a skate board park & a community centre in the Appleby segment. Kids will be crossing the road to get to retail establishments. At the major intersection a left & right turn lanes will be added making it a 10 lane road. This is not pedestrian friendly.

Anyone who has crossed Appleby Line south of Upper Middle, knows how onerous/dangerous this can be.

What's the objective of the design? This design encourages people to use their cars rather than cycling or even walking.

Let's find ways to make it better.

Gene

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cc: BCC, Councillor Sharman, Councillor Lancaster, J Ried, N Ahmed

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Subject:	RE: Dundas Street comments

Thanks for your comments, Jeffery...I'd like to add a few annotations to these ...

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The Dundas Street Project Team and the Region's Active Transportation Master Plan (ATMP) Project Team have reviewed and discussed your comments regarding the active transportation facilities along Dundas Street. We apologize for the length of our response, but we wanted to ensure that your comments were fully addressed.

Combined crossrides are proposed to be implemented in place of standard crosswalks, to allow crossing cyclists to ride across intersections where cyclists on the proposed multi-use trails would otherwise be required to dismount and walk their bikes across.

The 'combined' arrangement is the most appropriate for corridors such as Dundas Street where cyclists and pedestrians will be sharing the same space on the approach to an intersection. The layout will be similar to the example shown in **Figure 1** below. Similar facilities are also being proposed for the widening at Dundas Street / Third Line intersection (in the Town of Oakville).

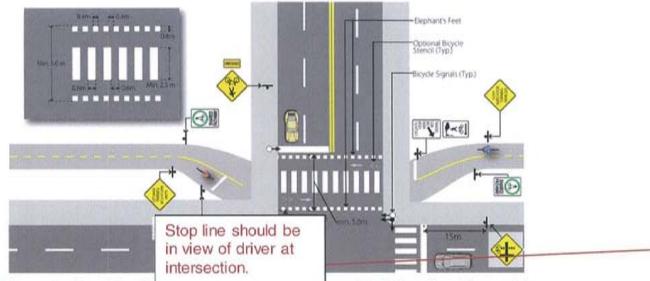


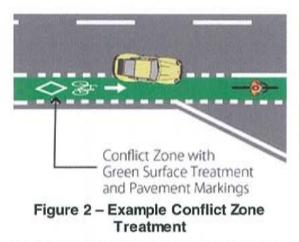
Figure 1 – Combined Peaestman and Cycrist Crossride (Signalized Example) Source: Based on Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18, Figure 4, 102.

I like the treatment at the cross-rides. These provide a safe intersection, and the pathway users have a well-defined crossing space. I would position the stop line up further as above. Will the treatment be the same for major intersections (i.e. Guelph, Appleby & Walkers Lines)?

The proposed active transportation elements on Dundas Street follow the recommendations from the draft Halton Region ATMP. For the current EA the Dundas Street corridor can be divided into three general sections as follows: Section 1 - Brant Street to Northampton Boulevard, Section 2 - Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line, and Section 3 - Appleby Line to Bronte Road:

- Section 1 Brant Street to Northampton Boulevard: Niagara Escarpment land is on the north side of Dundas Street and will likely experience limited development in the future. Most of the active transportation use will be on the south side of Dundas Street; therefore, a 4 m multi-use path on the south side only (bi-directional) is proposed.
- Section 2 Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line: This is the most "urbanized" section of Dundas Street and where the highest cycling and pedestrian activity is anticipated within the City of Burlington. Therefore, it is proposed to provide separate facilities for cyclists and pedestrians. Cycle tracks consisting of 1.8 m bike lane + 0.5 m buffer (delineated by breakaway bollards) are proposed. Please note that in place of the proposed 2.0 m sidewalk that was shown at the May 29, 2014 PIC, a 3.0 m multi-use path is now being proposed following the receipt of comments at that PIC. This change recognizes that the secondary school / community centre will attract higher active transportation use, and provide the option for cyclists who want to be off-road.
- Section 3 Appleby Line to Bronte Road: It is expected that there will be less pedestrian use through this area; however cyclists will likely continue through from Appleby Line into the Town of Oakville. Therefore, it is proposed that cyclists / pedestrians share the multi-use path on both sides of the road in combination with on-road facilities. Through this section of Dundas Street, 1.5 m on-road bike lanes + 0.3 m painted buffer and 3.0 m multi-use path on both sides of the road are proposed.

The experience of a motorist user will be continuous. The experience of a bicycle rider will change considerably between the sections – they will have to use the south path between Brant/Northampton, switch over to/from the cycle track Northampton to Appleby, and have no protection between Appleby Line and Bronte Road (including the urban section between Appleby Line and Sutton Drive). This section will be travelled by all students travelling to Hayden High School from the Orchard community, and also has John Boich Elementary School in addition to a mostly rural section currently with an 80 speed limit. I expect nearly all bicycle riders will be using the paths. Better to add the space to the width of the off-road paths and put in a line delineating space for cyclists and pedestrians, and ditch the on-road bike lanes altogether.



Source: Excerpt from Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18, Figure 5.23.

Although the dimensions and facility types change through the corridor based on anticipated usage and adjacent land uses, the provision of active transportation facilities on Dundas Street is continuous between Brant Street and Bronte Road. In particular, multi-use paths are proposed on Dundas Street throughout the study area, which will also allow cyclists to pass behind the proposed (future) bus shelters.

It is recognized that there are locations where motor vehicles will cross the proposed on-road cycling facilities. A potential treatment for these conflict zones is the application of dashed guide lines with bike stencils and green surface treatment with optional directional arrows, as shown in **Figure 2**. 'Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18 - Cycling Facilities' also presents some

alternatives, for example:

- bike stencils at 1.5 m to 10 m spacing with optional directional arrows;
- dashed guide lines with optional bike stencils; or
- green surface treatment only.

Providing additional pavement markings and coloured surfacing alerts drivers to the presence of the potential conflict with cyclists. Directional arrow markings clarify that the bike lane is for through cyclists and the fact that they have priority in such locations. Similar treatments may be selectively used where the proposed multi-use path crosses an access. The type and location of these enhancements will be confirmed following further review during the detailed design stage.

The car in this picture will be travelling at more than twice the speed of the cyclist on Dundas St. The cyclist in this picture would have about 0.5 seconds left before becoming roadkill. How does that encourage people to cycle more often?

Different colour paint will not change how users perceive the infrastructure. Drivers on this type of road with wide medians and 3 lanes in each direction regularly travel in excess of 80 km/h. I am a very speed-conscious driver and even I find it hard to keep to a speed of 60 on the bridge approaching Appleby Line from the east where the road widens to 3 lanes. It feels natural to do 80 here and that is more likely to be the

average speed. Very few people other than the most hardcore cyclists will feel comfortable being in conflict with high volumes of traffic moving at that kind of speed. I urge you to reconsider this treatment. With the number of intersections and bus stops planned, most of Dundas Street in Burlington will be a "conflict zone".

I have to ask why do we want "on-road" cycle tracks here? Cycle tracks by definition are separated from the street. Do that and you eliminate much of the potential for conflict.

In response to comments received, we have reviewed the proposed facilities on the northwest corner of the Appleby Line intersection, outside Walmart. Between the end of the proposed bus bay and the Walmart access, there is approximately 120 m over which motor vehicles may merge across the proposed cycle track. The consistent location of the cycle track and the adjacent travel lane will maximize the visibility of cyclists in the cycle track and ensure they will not be obscured by any stopped buses. The facility could be emphasized by the provision of coloured surface treatment and/or additional pavement markings as described above. Again, this will be confirmed following further review during the detailed design stage.

With respect to comments regarding the raised median provided throughout the Dundas Street Corridor, it is important for a number of factors, including safety, landscaping opportunities and accommodating left-turn lanes. While the landscaping plan for the Dundas Street corridor will be developed during detail design, landscape architects indicate that a minimum 5m wide median is ideal for tree planting and long-term survival of vegetation. Please note that the raised median is narrowed at approaches to intersections to accommodate the left turn lane storage or where there is a significant property constraint (e.g. heritage property). The proposed lane width on Dundas Street (3.5 m) is consistent with the Region's Council approved Right-of-Way Guidelines and other major arterial road widths within Halton Region.

With 6 wide lanes AND wide medians with trees, in time the character of the road will approach that of a limited access highway. It appears you are confused about the purpose of this street. Is it a street used by local people and which people will use in a variety of modes? Or is it a road used for high-speed travel between distant places? What has been designed here is known to those in your profession as a STROAD.

Dundas Street is an important east-west arterial corridor in Halton Region and it is the Region's vision to transition the character of this road from an existing rural high-speed facility to a **pedestrian and cyclist-friendly** multi-modal urban corridor.

For which pedestrians is crossing 8-10 lanes of road "pedestrian friendly"? For which cyclists is riding alongside high-speed arterial corridors that look and act like freeways "cyclist friendly"? I'm a seasoned commuter, even willing to cycle Appleby Line in its current state. But I do not know anyone who would consider this treatment "friendly". If you are seriously trying to make this street pedestrian or cyclist friendly you have absolutely failed. This statement is simply window dressing.

A multi-modal corridor provides a balanced transportation system within the Regional right-of-way and accommodates all roads users, including transit and active transportation. Land uses adjacent to Dundas Street are changing from vacant agricultural fields to residential and commercial uses. The purpose of the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study is to identify proposed improvements on Dundas Street to support future growth and development in the communities and to protect the right-of-way required to implement the various multi-modal elements. Recognizing the growing trend in active transportation, new treatments and concepts will be developed in the future. The protected right-of-way on Dundas Street through

the Class EA Study will allow flexibility to explore the feasibility of implementing these new treatments during detailed design.

Both the Active Transportation Master Plan and Dundas Street Project Teams have reviewed and discussed the feasibility of the "Dutch" intersection crossing treatments for cyclists on Dundas Street. While this treatment may be suitable for roads in a European setting, it was agreed that this type of crossing treatment is not preferred for a major arterial road such as Dundas Street.

It seems to me you haven't studied it, just simply naysaying because it is done in Europe obviously we cannot even consider the idea. That is truly disappointing. The Dutch use these treatments on "major arterial roads" that handle significantly more traffic than Dundas Street does. And it does not require any more space to do so.

Separating the cycling and pedestrian infrastructure from the road as much as possible, with particular focus on the intersections is extremely important to make this road safe for all users. The current layout is in my opinion, far from that. Devoting so much space to enable traffic to move faster (wide planted medians, extra turning lanes) make the street much more dangerous for active transportation users in the city. The "cycle tracks" proposed are far from what is best practice in other cities. I do not expect that these will be used at all outside the current cycling community who are already cycling on Dundas.

I do appreciate you taking the time to provide detailed explanations, and hopefully we can continue to have constructive dialogue so that we can truly meet our goal of making Dundas street a complete street that is safe and comfortable for cyclists, pedestrians and motorists alike.

Chris Ariens

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Cc:	'Lancaster, Blair'; 'Sharman, Paul'; 'Dennison, Jack'; 'Carr, Gary'; 'MacCaskill, Jane';
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	'Stephen Barnes'; 'Willard, Kendra'; 'Don Thorpe'; Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim;
	goldringr@burlington.ca
Subject:	Re: Dundas Street comments

Good Day Jeffrey.....

As a fellow member of the Burlington Cycling Committee with Chris, I would like to add my personal endorsement of Chris' annotations......Having cycled on various sections of Hwy 5, and coming very close to encounters with trucks, I would seriously recommend rethinking the bike lane proposal.....Now would be the perfect opportunity to getting this right, instead of waiting for some future date when it would be difficult if not impossible to change......With relatively little effort at this time, we could be instrumental in making Dundas Street an example ot how things can be done right from all perspectives.....

Yes, we all understand that moving vehicle traffic is important, but, at the same time to provide a safe and efficient alternative by means of well placed cycle tracks will be truly appreciated in years to come by all users of this roadway.....

Bert Armstrong

----- Original Message -----From: Chris Ariens To: 'Reid, Jeffrey' Cc: 'Lancaster, Blair'; 'Sharman, Paul'; 'Dennison, Jack'; 'Carr, Gary'; 'MacCaskill, Jane'; 'Caglioti, Darshan'; 'Dickson, Irene'; 'Dennis, Tim'; 'Van Ravens, Maureen'; 'Green-Battiston, Melissa'; 'Monaghan, Patrick - Transportation Services'; 'Brad S'; 'Bert Armstrong'; 'Chris Goff'; 'Denis Farr'; 'Heidi Hartmann'; 'Joseph'; 'Marilyn'; 'Nick Buczynsky' ; 'Ozimkovic, Danijel'; 'Stephen Barnes'; 'Willard, Kendra'; 'Willard, Kendra'; 'Don Thorpe'; 'Neil Ahmed'; 'Katherine Jim'; goldringr@burlington.ca Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:41 PM Subject: RE: Dundas Street comments

Thanks for your comments, Jeffery...I'd like to add a few annotations to these...

From: Reid, Jeffrey [mailto:Jeffrey.Reid@halton.ca]
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 11:04 AM
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Cc: Lancaster, Blair; Sharman, Paul; Dennison, Jack; Carr, Gary; MacCaskill, Jane; Caglioti, Darshan; Dickson, Irene; Dennis, Tim; Van Ravens, Maureen; Green-Battiston, Melissa; Monaghan, Patrick - Transportation Services; Brad S; Bert Armstrong; Chris Ariens; Chris Goff; Denis Farr; Heidi Hartmann; Joseph; Marilyn; Nick Buczynsky; Ozimkovic , Danijel; Stephen Barnes; Willard, Kendra; Willard, Kendra; Chris Ariens; Don Thorpe (<u>dthorpe10@cogeco.ca</u>); 'Neil Ahmed'; Katherine Jim (<u>JimK@mmm.ca</u>)

Subject: RE: Dundas Street comments

Dear Mr. Wasik and Members of the Burlington Cycling Committee,

We would like to thank you for attending the Public Information Centre (PIC) for the above-noted study on May 29, 2014 and for providing your comments to the Project Team.

To: Subject:

Neil Ahmed RE: Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Transportation Corridor Improvements, Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Bronte Road (Regional Road 25) EA

From: <u>Tianyuan.Li@HydroOne.com</u> [mailto:Tianyuan.Li@HydroOne.com] Sent: May-15-14 3:37 PM To: jeffrey.reid@halton.ca; Neil Ahmed Cc: jerullo@HydroOne.com; w.d.kloostra@HydroOne.com; rick.schatz@HydroOne.com Subject: Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Transportation Corridor Improvements, Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Bronte Road (Regional Road 25) EA

Dear Mr. Reid and Mr. Ahmed,

In our initial review, we have <u>confirmed</u> that Hydro One Transmission (above 115 kV) facilities are located within immediate vicinity of the proposed site in your study area. Please allow appropriate lead-time in your project schedule in the event that proposed development impacts Hydro One infrastructure which requires relocation or modifications, or needs an outage, that may not be readily available.

In planning, please note that developments should not reduce line clearances and limit access to our facilities at any time in the study area of your Proposal. Any construction activities must maintain the electrical clearance from the transmission line conductors as specified in the Ontario Health and Safety Act for the respective line voltage.

The integrity of the structure foundations must be maintained at all times, with no disturbance of the earth around the poles, guy wires and tower footings. There must not be any grading, excavating, filling or other civil work close to the structures.

Note that existing rights of ways may have provisions for future lines or already contain secondary land uses (i.e. pipelines, water mains, parking, etc). Please take this into consideration in your planning.

Once details are known and it is established that your development will affect Hydro One facilities including the rights of way, please submit plans that detail your development and the affected Hydro One facilities to:

Rick Schatz, Hydro One Real Estate Management 185 Clegg Road, Markham L6G 1B7 Phone: (905) 946-6233 <u>Rick.Schatz@HydroOne.com</u>

Please note that the proponent will be responsible for costs associated with modification or relocation of Hydro One facilities, as well as any added costs that may be incurred due to increase efforts to maintain our facilities.

Regards,

Tianyuan Li

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Subject:	RE: feedback from HDSB Trustee Hlusko

Dr. Hlusko,

As a follow-up to my previous email (below), the Dundas Project Team has considered the suggestion to implement a multi-use path (instead of a sidewalk) between Northampton Boulevard and Appleby Line, on both sides of the road. We have assessed this change and agree that there could be a benefit to high school students and residents by implementing an continuous off-road multi-use path in conjunction with the on-road cycle track. The Project Team is currently updating the preliminary design and will incorporate into the final Environmental Study Report (ESR) that will be available for public review in early 2015.

Please note that the Burlington Cycling Committee is also aware of this change in design.

Thank-you again for your input.

Regards,

Jeff

Jeffrey Reid

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From: Reid, Jeffrey

Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 3:02 PM To: 'Jennifer Hlusko'; ahmedn@mmm.ca Cc: Van Ravens, Maureen; Green-Battiston, Melissa; Monaghan, Patrick - Transportation Services; Young, Darryl; Zervos, Nick; Spoleti, Antonino; Katherine Jim (JimK@mmm.ca) Subject: RE: feedback from HDSB Trustee Hlusko

Dr. Hlusko,

Thank-you for your interest and comments regarding the Dundas Street Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study from Brant Street to Bronte Road, within the City of Burlington and Town of Oakville. The transportation improvements along Dundas Street include the widening from 4 to 6 lanes.

In order to accommodate the long-term (2031) transportation demand on Dundas Street the Project Team is planning to incorporate multi-modal transportation improvements that will accommodate all users, including Active Transportation (walking and cycling) and transit infrastructure, as well as integrating new and existing land uses with heritage and natural features.

In parallel, the Region is also completing an Active Transportation Master Plan (ATMP) Study to develop the required strategy, infrastructure, initiatives and programs to promote non-motorized travel throughout the Region to 2031. The Region's objective is to create an Active Transportation Master Plan that is safe, affordable and sustainable. The project web-page for the ATMP can be found at <u>www.halton.ca/ActiveTransportation</u>

As part of the ATMP, the Project Team has developed, in consultation with the public, agencies and Local municipalities draft Cycling and Walking Networks. Both networks were presented to the public in Fall 2013 for review and comment. Attached are the draft ATMP Cycling and Walking Network maps for your reference, which are consistent with the preliminary preferred recommendations for Dundas Street.

Based on the draft Cycling and Walking Networks and adjacent land uses along Dundas Street, the Project Team is proposing the following Active Transportation infrastructure:

- Brant Street to Northampton Boulevard (rural in character with Niagara Escarpment Commission lands to the north)
 - o 4.0m bi-directional multi-use path (south side only)
- Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line (urban area)
 - Cycle Track consisting of 1.8m exclusive bike lane + 0.5m painted median (with break-away bollards), both sides of the road
 - o 2.0m sidewalk on both sides of the road
- Appleby Line to Bronte Road (urban/rural area)
 - 1.5m exclusive bike lane with painted 0.3m buffer, both sides of the road (please note the buffer was added based on discussions with the technical agencies and Local municipalities)
 - o 3.0m multi-use path on both sides of the road

As presented during the ATMP Public Information Centre #2 (November 2013), attached is a slide which further defines Regional road (on-road) cycling facilities, including a Bike Lane and Cycle Track. A bike lane is defined as separate space on the road exclusively for cyclists marked with a painted line, bicycle and diamond symbols and signs. A cycle track is defined as separate space on the road exclusively for cyclists segregated from traffic by delineators, bollards, curb, planters or medians.

The proposed Active Transportation infrastructure being proposed is consistent with the adjacent land uses and anticipated use. At the Public Information Centre on May 29th for Dundas Street, we received comments that indicated a preference for off-road facilities, whereas others stated a preference for more on-road facilities. We are working to balance the needs of the community, while providing separate space for all modes of transportation.

A suggestion received at the Public Information Centre is that high school students (particularly teenagers) may be more encouraged to ride their bike (Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line) if a multi-use path was provided, instead of a sidewalk. This change in off-road facility is being considered by the Project Team.

The raised median is important for a number of factors, including safety, landscaping opportunities and accommodating left-turn lanes. While the landscaping plan for the Dundas Street corridor will be developed during detail design, landscape architects indicate that a minimum 5m wide median is ideal for tree planting and long-term survival of vegetation. Please note that the raised median is narrowed while approaching an intersection to accommodate the left turn lane storage or where there is a significant property constraint (e.g. heritage building). With respect to pedestrian scale lighting this will be determined as part of detail design.

Bus stops are planned for all signalized intersections. West of Guelph Line, Blackwood Drive and Eaglesfield Drive will become signalized intersections as Dundas Street is widened from 4 to 6 lanes. The proposed bus

stops are being protected for future use and the final locations will be determined in consultation with the Local municipalities and transit operators.

With respect to the existing conditions at Dundas Street & Tim Dobbie Drive, the safety of all students and pedestrians is of utmost importance and the Region has been working closely with the City of Burlington, Halton District School Board and Halton Regional Police Service. Prior to the opening of the Alton High School/Community Centre the following intersection improvements were completed with the installation of:

- 1. Pedestrian countdown signals at Dundas Street & Tim Dobbie Drive;
- 2. Installation of 'zebra' pedestrian crosswalk for greater visibility at Dundas Street & Tim Dobbie Drive; and
- 3. Installation of School Area Signs.

In addition, a Community Safety Zone is in the process of being implemented along Dundas Street to reinforce the 60km/h, adjacent to the Alton High School/Community Centre. If a motorist receives a speeding ticket the fines will be doubled. These signs will be installed within the next couple of weeks and will be enforced immediately. At the beginning of next September the Halton Regional Police Service will be conducting an 'enforcement blitz'.

If you have any questions regarding the Community Safety Zone, please contact Antonino Spoleti (Coordinator, Traffic Operations & Safety) at 905-825-6000 ext. 7385.

Lastly, all public comments received (not including personal information) and summaries of consultation events will become part of the public record and will be documented in the Environmental Study Report (ESR) for the Dundas Street Class Environmental Assessment Study. The ESR documents the decision making process for the proposed Dundas Street improvements and will be filed for public review for a minimum 30-day period. Copies of the ESR will be made available at local libraries, Halton Region Clerk's Department and City of Burlington Clerk's Department, as well as posted online via the project webpage. Members of the public will be notified through posting in the local newspaper, and those who attended the Public Information Centre or have submitted comments will also be notified.

Regards,

Jeff

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From: Jennifer Hlusko [mailto:hlusko5@gmail.com] Sent: Monday, June 09, 2014 9:06 PM

To: Reid, Jeffrey; <u>ahmedn@mmm.ca</u> Subject: feedback from HDSB Trustee Hlusko

Hi Jeffrey and Neil,

Thank you very much for your work thus far on the Dundas Street Corridor plans. While I have studied the plans online, I really appreciated being able to see each board enlarged and placed at eye level. It made it very easy to go back and forth between boards for comparison.

Below please find my questions and comments. I support the Dundas Street widening project as it will improve the daily experience for Burlington commuters and thus their quality of life and their family's quality of life. That said, I have some very strong concerns about the safe pedestrian crossing of Dundas Street. Additionally, I am disappointed with the preliminary cycling lane plans. I hope you will consider changes.

It is very important to me and my parents with students who will attend Dr. Frank J. Hayden SS to receive answers to our concerns. I can only assume you will receive similar feedback from Ward 6 and Ward 5 Burlington constituents. I would like to ask that you post all questions and comments received. If you do not intend to do this, please direct me to whomever would have the authority to direct it.

Again, thank you so very much for your work. Sincerely, Jennifer

Dr. Jennifer Hlusko HDSB trustee, serving Ward 6 Burlington since 2003 www.JenniferHlusko.ca

Why are the cross section and streetscape opportunities so different for the driver, cyclist or walker for <u>Brant to</u> <u>Northampton</u> (p14), <u>Northampton to Appleby</u> (p15), and <u>Appleby to Bronte</u> (p16)? What is the advantage of them being different?

What is the difference between a "Bike Lane" and a "Cycle Track"?

Hasn't experience taught us that separate bike lanes and sidewalks are far superior to the users than multi-use paths? They are safer for all users. They are more appealing to seniors or anyone with a disability or injury because they don't have to fear being hurt by someone coming up rapidly from behind (cyclist, skateboarder, roller blader, etc.) They are safer for people and pets being walked on a longer leash.

For Burlington, the highest volume of foot & bike traffic will be <u>Northampton to Appleby</u> (p15) and yet that section has the "Cycle Track" directly on the road! With one major connection and 6 bus stops in that section,

this puts cyclists at tremendous risk every time a bus pulls over at a stop. Indeed, the drawing of the cyclist approaching a bus pulled over at a stop highlights that danger.

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Why can't the bike lane be built on the other side of the boulevard beside the pedestrian lane? Not one of the three section drawings offer this feature and yet I believe it is the safest, most superior design. Is there a cost difference that prevented you from recommending this design? Is there a different reason, beyond cost?

Why does the Raised Median need to be built so wide? 5.5 to 6.5m (18-21 ft) seems excessive. What is the purpose of the Raised Median? If it is for noise abatement, accomplished via the trees, can't the width be decreased? There are many native trees to chose from whose mature canopy width at the height of a truck that is less than 6.5m. If the purpose of the Raised Median is safety (ie to prevent u-turns and to decrease accidents from opposing traffic crossing the Raised Median), could that not also be accomplished by more trees? What else might be the criteria for building a Raised Median? And therefore, what is the minimum Raised Median width required to meet those identified needs? I believe it is better to apply any extra width available to the cyclist or pedestrian portion of the new Dundas Street Corridor.

Why is the future HOV/Rapid Bus Travel lane 4.2m wide for <u>Brant to Northampton</u> but only 3.5m for the other two sections? When you consider the average width of a bus, why would the lane ever need to be 4.2m wide?

Why is the entire lighting system directed toward the road? Drivers are accustomed to little lighting on Dundas, but cyclists and pedestrians need better lighting to be safe. The plan shows no lighting for the sidewalks.

Why are there so many bus stops between west of Guelph Line? Do you plan to add traffic lights at each of those bus stops? If not, how will west-bound commuters returning home be able to safely cross 6 lanes filled with tired, hungry drivers moving toward the sun?

Lastly, I'd like to talk about two major issues of concern to me, the trustee for Dr. Frank J. Hayden SS. One is the placement of a bus stop at Tim Dobbie and Dundas. The principal of Hayden worked with the City of Burlington to move a bus stop away from the closest intersection to Nelson HS two years ago after two students were hit by a car. Have the transportation staff at the City of Burlington been consulted on lessons learned about bus stops and high schools?

A driving issue for me since early 2010 when it was decided that the Halton District School Board, Burlington Public Library and City of Burlington would partner to build the Alton Complex has been pedestrian safety crossing Dundas Street. Daily there are what I would call pedestrians in need of extra care:

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 - students crossing before & after school as well as twice during their lunch period often in groups, often texting
 - young parents with babies in strollers and walking tots crossing to attend toddler storytime at the library
 - young families crossing to use the wading pool at Norton
 - seniors crossing to take classes at the Haber Recreation Centre
 - 'tweens crossing to enjoy the Norton Skatepark

How long before a pedestrian is seriously injured crossing Dundas Street? How will your plans address the concern regarding equity of access for citizens living south of Dundas Street to fully enjoy the Alton Complex, paid for with their tax dollars? Certainly, they're not likely to walk to Tansley Woods when the Haber Recreation Centre and Alton library are so close. What are your plans to secure their safety as pedestrians? How will your plans reduce the number of cars being driven to this public facility?

Thank you very much for providing the public with an opportunity to be involved in this process. To reward public engagement, will you be posting all the comments received? Will you be posting your answers to the public questions? In my experience as the elected Ward 6 trustee over the past 11 years, this kind of transparency is the best way to foster a genuine dialogue and improve the outcome for all citizens.

Thank you.

Dr. Jennifer Hlusko

HDSB trustee, serving Ward 6 Burlington since 2003

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Thank you

Received at May 29, 2014 PIC



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September 25, 2014

2305 Kirkborn Drive Burlington, ON L7P 4E9

Re: Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Corridor Improvements Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Bronte Road (Regional Road 25) Class Environmental Assessment Study

Dear

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As presented at the May 29, 2014 PIC, a noise analysis was carried out as part of the Dundas Street Class Environmental Assessment Study per the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) / Ministry of the Environment (MOE) Noise Protocol. While the projected increase in noise level as a result of the widening of Dundas Street does not warrant the consideration of noise mitigation, you are correct that the Region is transitioning Dundas Street from an existing rural high-speed facility to a pedestrian and cyclist-friendly urban corridor. The posted speed on Dundas Street will be lowered from the existing 80 km/h to 60 km/h. The lower speed limit will help reduce noise generated from the road pavement. As you noted in your submitted comments, landscaping will be implemented along the corridor and illumination will be provided. A detailed landscaping and illumination plan will be developed during the detailed design phase of this project.

Thank you for your interest in the Dundas Street Class EA Study. Should you have further questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at 905-823-8500 or ahmedn@mmm.ca.

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Existing noise issue may be discussed with Halton Region staff per the Region's Noise Abatement Policy <u>www.halton.ca</u>; look under "Living in Halton" / "Roads & Transportation".

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Your comments regarding the installation of retaining walls have been noted. Specific soil retention systems will be evaluated and finalized during the detail design stage of the project. Your comments will be kept on file with the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study documentation, which will be referred to by the detailed design team.

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From:	Reid, Jeffrey <jeffrey.reid@halton.ca></jeffrey.reid@halton.ca>
Sent:	August-07-14 2:18 PM
To:	'Bruce Thom'
Cc:	Jonathan Rubin; Green-Battiston, Melissa; Krusto, Matt; Monaghan, Patrick - Transportation Services; Collum, David; Kisneris, John; Brooks, Laurielle; Huycke, Adam; Catarino, Rob; Beck, Dave; Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim
Subject:	RE: Class EA Dundas Corridor Improvements - Embee-Jovic Development Group (NW Quadrant)
Attachments:	Embee-Jovic Draft Plan of Subdivision 24T-03003 - Signed Draft Plan Conditions - 14 April 2010.pdf; Embee-Jovic Draft Plan of Subdivision 24T-03003 - Signed-Back Draft Plan of Conditions (April 14, 2010).pdf

Hi Bruce,

The Region has reviewed your concerns that the proposed preliminary design for the Dundas Street Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study exceeds the Right-of-Way for approved Draft Plan of Subdivision (24T-03003/B). We offer the following response.

As you identified, Draft Plan of Subdivision was granted to 24T-03003/B with revised conditions, signed by the Region's former Manager of Currently Planning (Robert Walters) on April 14, 2010. These conditions (and six-month extension) included:

Condition #9 – Any lands that are part of the subject property within 50m of the south side property line of Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) and have been identified as required for the future widening and/or realignment of Dundas Street, as identified in the <u>Dundas Street Class EA Study/Dundas Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Study</u>, that are part of the subject property shall be dedicated to the Regional Municipality of Halton for the purpose of road right-of-way widening, realignment and future road improvements; these lands shall be dedicated with clear title, (free and clear of encumbrances) and a Certificate of Title shall be provided, in a form satisfactory to the Commissioner of Legislative and Planning Services & Corporate Counsel or his designate.

Condition #11 – Any land that are part of the subject property within 50m x 5m of the south side property line of Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) from Sixth Line westerly are required for a transit station/transit stop and have been identified as required for the future widening and/or realignment of Dundas Street, as identified in the <u>Dundas Street</u> <u>Class EA Study/Dundas Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Study</u>, that are part of the subject property shall be dedicated to the Regional Municipality of Halton for the purpose of road right-of-way widening, realignment and future road improvements; these lands shall be dedicated with clear title, (free and clear of encumbrances) and a Certificate of Title shall be provided, in a form satisfactory to the Commissioner of Legislative and Planning Services & Corporate Counsel or his designate.

A signed copy of the April 14, 2010 conditions applying to the approval of the final plan for registration of Embee-Jovic's Burlington subdivision (24T-03003/B) is attached.

In addition, on April 14, 2010, a covering letter was sent to you directly with the Revised Conditions of Draft Approval and requested that the letter be signed back from the Developer or its Agent, indicating whether there was any objection of the Revised Conditions of Draft Approval. In fact, on that same day (April 14, 2010) you signed the letter indicating that the Revised Conditions as submitted by the Region were "satisfactory" (attached).

Therefore, it is the Region's opinion that Conditions #9 and #11 as set out in the Revised Conditions for Final Approval (dated April 14, 2010) are in effect in accordance with subsections 51(25) and (44) of the Planning Act. Therefore the developer must provide the required dedications of lands as described in those conditions (and consistent with the Dundas Street Class EA Study), in order that the conditions can be cleared before final approval is provided to the Draft Plan of Subdivision.

Please let me know if you require any further clarification.

Thanks,

Jeff

Jeffrey Reid Senior Transportation Planner Transportation - Planning & Road Operations Halton Region, Public Works Department (905) 825-6000 ext.7920

From: Bruce Thom [mailto:bruce@embeeproperties.ca]
Sent: Friday, June 13, 2014 3:58 PM
To: Reid, Jeffrey
Cc: Jonathan Rubin
Subject: Re: Class EA Dundas Corridor Improvements

Jeffrey:

Thanks for your acknowledgement.

The draft plan, File 24T-03003/B, was originally approved by the Region April 14, 2006.

There were three extensions granted by the Region and an extension ordered by the OMB to June 28, 2015.

Thanks again. Bruce ----- Original Message -----From: <u>Reid, Jeffrey</u> To: <u>'Bruce Thom'</u> Cc: Jonathan Rubin ; <u>'Neil Ahmed'</u> ; <u>Katherine Jim (JimK@mmm.ca)</u> ; <u>Green-Battiston, Melissa</u> ; <u>Monaghan, Patrick -</u> <u>Transportation Services</u> ; <u>Krusto, Matt</u> Sent: Friday, June 13, 2014 2:19 PM Subject: RE: Class EA Dundas Corridor Improvements

Hi Bruce,

The Project Team acknowledges that we received your email (below) on June 11, 2014. The email received is sufficient as we do not require your comments on letterhead. The Project Team will review your inquiry and respond shortly.

For my information, when was your draft plan of subdivision approved?

Thanks,

Jeff

From: Bruce Thom [mailto:bruce@embeeproperties.ca] Sent: Friday, June 13, 2014 11:21 AM To: Reid, Jeffrey Cc: Jonathan Rubin Subject: Fw: Class EA Dundas Corridor Improvements Jeffrey: Please confirm the items below. Thanks. Bruce ----- Original Message -----From: Bruce Thom To: Reid, Jeffrey ; Jonathan Rubin Cc: AhmedN@mmm.ca ; JimK@mmm.ca ; Krusto, Matt ; Green-Battiston, Melissa ; Monaghan, Patrick - Transportation Services Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2014 2:45 PM Subject: Re: Class EA Dundas Corridor Improvements Jeffrey: Our consultants have reviewed your proposed property requirements and determined that they exceed the limits of our approved draft plan of subdivision. As such, we must object to your proposal. Please confirm: that you have received this objection; 1. 2. whether or not you require our objection to be on corporate or legal letterhead; what the next steps are. З. Thanks. Bruce ----- Original Message -----From: Reid, Jeffrey To: 'Bruce Thom'; Jonathan Rubin Cc: Neil Ahmed (AhmedN@mmm.ca); Katherine Jim (JimK@mmm.ca); Krusto, Matt; Green-Battiston, Melissa; Monaghan, Patrick - Transportation Services Sent: Tuesday, June 03, 2014 9:51 AM Subject: RE: Class EA Dundas Corridor Improvements Hi Bruce/Jonathan, As requested, we have placed a partial plan (AutoCad) on the Region's ftp site (link and instructions below) in the vicinity of Dundas Street & Walker's Line, within the City of Burlington. This is the exact plan that was provided at the

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Public Information Centre (PIC) last week (May 29th).

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Both myself and Matt Krusto spoke with Jonathan at the PIC. Jonathan had mentioned that he hoped the Region would be able to use the infrastructure that Embee had built as part of the commercial development in the northeast quadrant (i.e. for the LCBO, Shopper's Drug Mart, etc.). From the Region's perspective, we had considered these improvements as temporary (interim), until the Region completed the 4 to 6 lane widening of Dundas Street, including the intersection improvements (Dundas & Walker's).

As part of the Region's Active Transportation Master Plan Study, the Region is proposing on-road 'Cycle Tracks' which is comprised of a 1.8m exclusive bike lane + 0.5m painted buffer (with break-away bollards), on both sides of the road from Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line. While this is a change from the previous PIC, the Region has not identified any additional property requirements in the northeast quadrant of Dundas Street & Walker's Line.

Lastly, I want to make it clear that the blue dashed line is a temporary easement for construction only. Throughout the plan, we are illustrating a 5m temporary easement from either the existing or proposed property line. I hope this clarifies.

Please let me know if you have and problems accessing the partial plan.

If you have any further comments, please provide by Friday, June 13, 2014.

Thanks,

Jeff

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1151 Bronte Road Oakville, ON L6M 3L1

From: Bruce Thom [mailto:bruce@embeeproperties.ca]
Sent: Friday, May 30, 2014 2:47 PM
To: Reid, Jeffrey
Cc: Jonathan Rubin
Subject: Class EA Dundas Corridor Improvements

Jeffrey:

We are the owner of the vacant land (+/- 100 acres) in the north-west quadrant immediately fronting Dundas Street and Walker's Line.

We are also the owner of the north-east corner plaza.

Jonathan Rubin from our office attended your Public Information Centre last night.

We have reviewed the presentation material and note that one exhibit illustrates proposed property lines, working easements and facilites along the north side of Dundas west of Walker's Line.

Our vacant land is designated, zoned and draft approved for development which we expect to come to market soon.

We would appreciate the opportunity to provide you with comprehensive comments in order to assist the EA; in this regard, please forward this exhibit to us in cadd so that we may compare it with our draft approved subdivision.

Thanks for your help. Bruce

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Thank you

Katherine Jim

To: Subject: Neil Ahmed RE: Dundas Street Transportation Corridor Improvements

From: Sent: June-03-14 3:56 PM To: Neil Ahmed Cc: Subject: Dundas Street Transportation Corridor Improvements

Hello Mr. Ahmed,

I attended the Public Information Centre meeting on Thursday, May 29th concerning the widening of Dundas Street and, while I didn't speak with you I did have a long conversation with Mr. Jeffrey Reid. I am currently the Secretary of the Townhomes of Upper Millcroft located on the south side of Dundas at Westlock Common and am writing to you on behalf of the residents in our Condominium.

Following our conversation I have thought of some questions and wonder if you might answer for me.

- 1. Mr. Reid mentioned that a "small" amount of property would be expropriated from the Townhomes to accommodate the bus lane on the west side of that intersection. Can you tell me how much property is involved? Can you give me a measurement from the current curb so that we might have an idea of the scope of this change?
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We look forward to hearing from you,

Katherine Jim

From:	Reid, Jeffrey <jeffrey.reid@halton.ca></jeffrey.reid@halton.ca>
Sent:	June-13-14 3:24 PM
То:	
Cc:	William Jones; Janet St. Pierre; Neil Ahmed; Katherine Jim; Green-Battiston, Melissa;
	Monaghan, Patrick - Transportation Services
Subject:	RE: Dundas Street Transportation Corridor Improvements
Attachments:	Dundas_Westlock Proposed West Side Bus Stop.pdf

Thank-you for your input into the Dundas Street Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study transportation improvements from Brant Street to Bronte Road, within the City of Burlington and Town of Oakville.

It was good to speak to you and other residents of Upper Millcroft at the Public Information Centre (PIC) on Thursday, May 29th. I have addressed (and numbered) each of your questions below:

1. You mentioned that a "small" amount of property would be expropriated from the Townhomes to accommodate the bus lane on the west side of that intersection. Can you tell me how much property is involved?

<u>Response:</u> The proposed improvements within the vicinity of Westlock Common are illustrated in the attached partial plan. The dimension outlined in the 'red-hatched area' identifies the required property of 0.022 ha, to accommodate a future bus stop at this location.

2. Can you give me a measurement from the current curb so that we might have an idea of the scope of this change?

<u>Response</u>: The proposed road curb will shift approximately 3.5 metres to the south. In addition, a bus stop, as well as a 2.0 m sidewalk will be provided on the south side of Dundas Street as shown in the attached plan.

3. Currently there is a berm where we have planted trees as well as shrubbery below the berm. How much of that berm will remain once the road is widened?

<u>Response:</u> We have estimated the approximate property requirement and grading limits (as noted in the response to item 1). During subsequent detailed design, further work will be carried out in consultation with property owners to determine what can be completed to accommodate the berm and landscaping already planted. As discussed at the PIC, the Region will work with you during detail design in the development of the Landscaping Plan adjacent to Westlock Common.

4. Is there a plan to bury the Hydro lines?

<u>Response</u>: Utility poles will be relocated within the future roadway boulevard. The Hydro lines will not be buried at this location.

5. We understand that the Ministry believes that the noise levels will be less than 5dBA though we do have some concerns about that. Since we apparently will not qualify for noise attenuation, is consideration being given to the use of road surface compounds that will deaden the sound of vehicles on the road? It is our view that our community as well as many other residences close to Dundas Street would benefit from such a plan.

<u>Response:</u> As Dundas Street is a Regional road, the expectation is that it accommodates higher traffic volumes and all types of traffic, including trucks. To ensure the maximum benefits are reached in terms of safety and durability, it is the Regional standard to utilize a 'Hot Layered Asphalt' (HL1) which is a premium mix. While a newly paved road automatically reduces tire friction and decreases noise, a HL1 mix provides for a smoother ride for longer (i.e. years).

In terms of lane designation, we can advise that the curb lanes will initially be for general purpose traffic, with the provision for curb lane High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/ transit operations in the interim, as well as the long-term opportunity for transition to Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) by 2031. Limits of the HOV lanes will be determined in consultation with the Local municipalities and transit agencies.

6. Our greatest concern at this time is the change in location of the bus lane. While we have been aware that some of the property facing the street would undergo change there was never a comment about expropriation of property. We are very concerned that with the bus stopping on the west side of the intersection that diesel fumes will wash into the complex with the prevailing winds whereas if the bus lane were on the east side the impact would be less. The reason stated for this change is possible congestion at the Westlock/Singleton/Rawlins intersection but I would submit to you that there is currently only room for 2 small vehicles or one large one so, if our gates remain where they are, there will be no change at our intersection and our preference would be for the bus lane to be on the east side of the intersection.

<u>Response:</u> The Project Team has considered the constraints and opportunities at the Westlock Common intersection to determine how to best address the widening of Dundas Street while considering the community and natural features on both sides of the road. To help mitigate impacts to Westlock Common we are proposing to slightly shift Dundas Street to the north, in order to achieve minimal impact at this location.

From a transit operations perspective, it is ideal for the bus stop to be on the far-side of each signalized intersection. While this was achieved at the majority of intersections along Dundas Street, due to constraints (i.e. property, existing driveways, cemeteries, etc.) there are a few locations, including Westlock Common that cannot achieve this design. As mentioned at the PIC, the Project Team had originally considered the far-side stop at Westlock Common, but it would not allow the minimum storage requirement for one vehicle to exit Westlock Common (northbound). A bus stop on the east side does not meet the minimum requirements. Therefore, our preferred preliminary plan has incorporated the near-side stop with a retaining wall to prevent impact to the internal road network (i.e. Singleton Common).

Please let me know if you have any further questions. Again, the Region will continue to work with you during the detail design process.

Regards,

Jeff

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1151 Bronte Road Oakville, ON L6M 3L1

From:

Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2014 10:25 AM
To: Reid, Jeffrey
Cc: William Jones; Janet St. Pierre
Subject: Dundas Street Transportation Corridor Improvements

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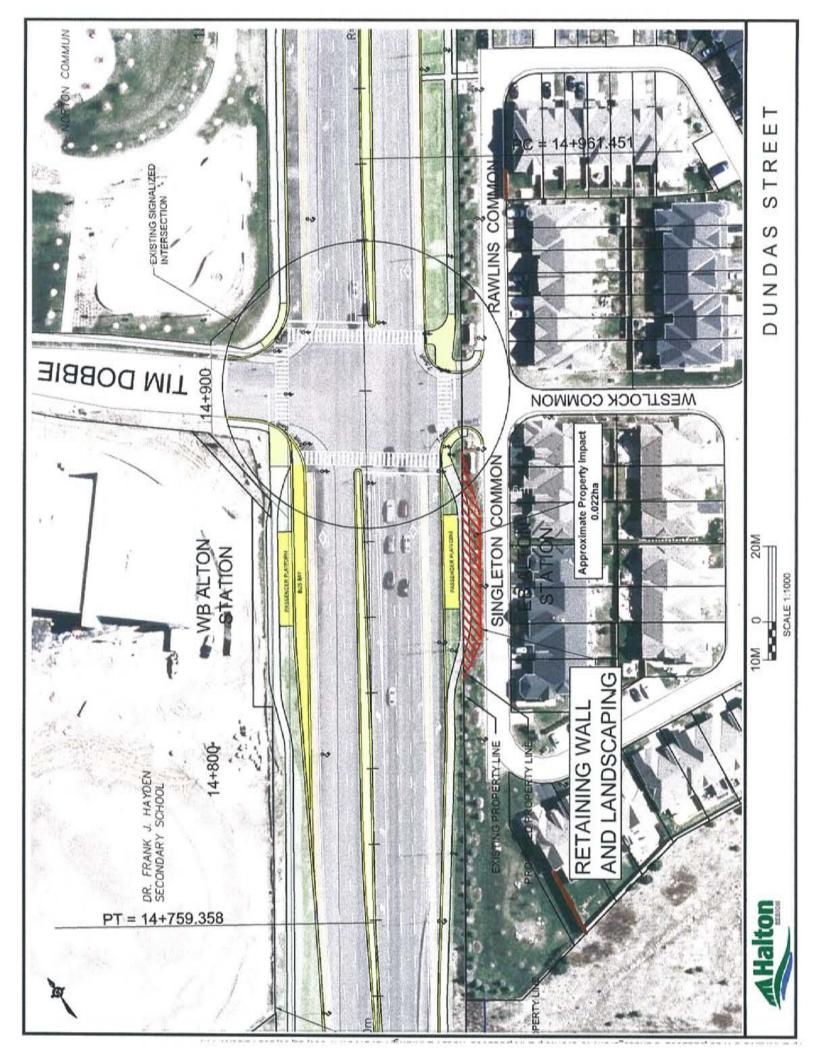
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We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible as the timeline for comments is ebbing away. If it would be easier for us to have a conversation on these matters please feel free to contact me personally.

Regards,			

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From: Sent:	Reid, Jeffrey <jeffrey.reid@halton.ca> June-19-14 3:02 PM</jeffrey.reid@halton.ca>
То:	'Jennifer Hlusko'; Neil Ahmed
Cc:	Van Ravens, Maureen; Green-Battiston, Melissa; Monaghan, Patrick - Transportation
	Services; Young, Darryl; Zervos, Nick; Spoleti, Antonino; Katherine Jim
Subject:	RE: feedback from HDSB Trustee Hlusko
Attachments:	Proposed Cycle Network Map (April 23, 2014)_Final (with Watermark).pdf; Proposed
	Walk Network Map (April 23, 2014)_Final (with Watermark).pdf; ATMP PIC #2 - Regional
	Road Cycling Facilities (Board).pdf

Dr. Hlusko,

Thank-you for your interest and comments regarding the Dundas Street Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study from Brant Street to Bronte Road, within the City of Burlington and Town of Oakville. The transportation improvements along Dundas Street include the widening from 4 to 6 lanes.

In order to accommodate the long-term (2031) transportation demand on Dundas Street the Project Team is planning to incorporate multi-modal transportation improvements that will accommodate all users, including Active Transportation (walking and cycling) and transit infrastructure, as well as integrating new and existing land uses with heritage and natural features.

In parallel, the Region is also completing an Active Transportation Master Plan (ATMP) Study to develop the required strategy, infrastructure, initiatives and programs to promote non-motorized travel throughout the Region to 2031. The Region's objective is to create an Active Transportation Master Plan that is safe, affordable and sustainable. The project web-page for the ATMP can be found at www.halton.ca/ActiveTransportation

As part of the ATMP, the Project Team has developed, in consultation with the public, agencies and Local municipalities draft Cycling and Walking Networks. Both networks were presented to the public in Fall 2013 for review and comment. Attached are the draft ATMP Cycling and Walking Network maps for your reference, which are consistent with the preliminary preferred recommendations for Dundas Street.

Based on the draft Cycling and Walking Networks and adjacent land uses along Dundas Street, the Project Team is proposing the following Active Transportation infrastructure:

- Brant Street to Northampton Boulevard (rural in character with Niagara Escarpment Commission lands to the north)
 - o 4.0m bi-directional multi-use path (south side only)
- Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line (urban area)
 - Cycle Track consisting of 1.8m exclusive bike lane + 0.5m painted median (with break-away bollards), both sides of the road
 - o 2.0m sidewalk on both sides of the road
- Appleby Line to Bronte Road (urban/rural area)
 - 1.5m exclusive bike lane with painted 0.3m buffer, both sides of the road (please note the buffer was added based on discussions with the technical agencies and Local municipalities)
 - o 3.0m multi-use path on both sides of the road

As presented during the ATMP Public Information Centre #2 (November 2013), attached is a slide which further defines Regional road (on-road) cycling facilities, including a Bike Lane and Cycle Track. A bike lane is defined as separate space on the road exclusively for cyclists marked with a painted line, bicycle and diamond symbols and signs. A cycle track is defined as separate space on the road exclusively for cyclists segregated from traffic by delineators, bollards, curb, planters or medians.

The proposed Active Transportation infrastructure being proposed is consistent with the adjacent land uses and anticipated use. At the Public Information Centre on May 29th for Dundas Street, we received comments that indicated a preference for off-road facilities, whereas others stated a preference for more on-road facilities. We are working to balance the needs of the community, while providing separate space for all modes of transportation.

A suggestion received at the Public Information Centre is that high school students (particularly teenagers) may be more encouraged to ride their bike (Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line) if a multi-use path was provided, instead of a sidewalk. This change in off-road facility is being considered by the Project Team.

The raised median is important for a number of factors, including safety, landscaping opportunities and accommodating left-turn lanes. While the landscaping plan for the Dundas Street corridor will be developed during detail design, landscape architects indicate that a minimum 5m wide median is ideal for tree planting and long-term survival of vegetation. Please note that the raised median is narrowed while approaching an intersection to accommodate the left turn lane storage or where there is a significant property constraint (e.g. heritage building). With respect to pedestrian scale lighting this will be determined as part of detail design.

Bus stops are planned for all signalized intersections. West of Guelph Line, Blackwood Drive and Eaglesfield Drive will become signalized intersections as Dundas Street is widened from 4 to 6 lanes. The proposed bus stops are being protected for future use and the final locations will be determined in consultation with the Local municipalities and transit operators.

With respect to the existing conditions at Dundas Street & Tim Dobbie Drive, the safety of all students and pedestrians is of utmost importance and the Region has been working closely with the City of Burlington, Halton District School Board and Halton Regional Police Service. Prior to the opening of the Alton High School/Community Centre the following intersection improvements were completed with the installation of:

- 1. Pedestrian countdown signals at Dundas Street & Tim Dobbie Drive;
- 2. Installation of 'zebra' pedestrian crosswalk for greater visibility at Dundas Street & Tim Dobbie Drive; and
- 3. Installation of School Area Signs.

In addition, a Community Safety Zone is in the process of being implemented along Dundas Street to reinforce the 60km/h, adjacent to the Alton High School/Community Centre. If a motorist receives a speeding ticket the fines will be doubled. These signs will be installed within the next couple of weeks and will be enforced immediately. At the beginning of next September the Halton Regional Police Service will be conducting an 'enforcement blitz'.

If you have any questions regarding the Community Safety Zone, please contact Antonino Spoleti (Coordinator, Traffic Operations & Safety) at 905-825-6000 ext. 7385.

Lastly, all public comments received (not including personal information) and summaries of consultation events will become part of the public record and will be documented in the Environmental Study Report (ESR) for the Dundas Street Class Environmental Assessment Study. The ESR documents the decision making process for the proposed Dundas Street improvements and will be filed for public review for a minimum 30-day

period. Copies of the ESR will be made available at local libraries, Halton Region Clerk's Department and City of Burlington Clerk's Department, as well as posted online via the project webpage. Members of the public will be notified through posting in the local newspaper, and those who attended the Public Information Centre or have submitted comments will also be notified.

Regards,

Jeff

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From: Jennifer Hlusko [mailto:hlusko5@gmail.com] Sent: Monday, June 09, 2014 9:06 PM To: Reid, Jeffrey; ahmedn@mmm.ca Subject: feedback from HDSB Trustee Hlusko

Hi Jeffrey and Neil,

Thank you very much for your work thus far on the Dundas Street Corridor plans. While I have studied the plans online, I really appreciated being able to see each board enlarged and placed at eye level. It made it very easy to go back and forth between boards for comparison.

Below please find my questions and comments. I support the Dundas Street widening project as it will improve the daily experience for Burlington commuters and thus their quality of life and their family's quality of life. That said, I have some very strong concerns about the safe pedestrian crossing of Dundas Street. Additionally, I am disappointed with the preliminary cycling lane plans. I hope you will consider changes.

It is very important to me and my parents with students who will attend Dr. Frank J. Hayden SS to receive answers to our concerns. I can only assume you will receive similar feedback from Ward 6 and Ward 5 Burlington constituents. I would like to ask that you post all questions and comments received. If you do not intend to do this, please direct me to whomever would have the authority to direct it.

Again, thank you so very much for your work. Sincerely, Jennifer

Dr. Jennifer Hlusko HDSB trustee, serving Ward 6 Burlington since 2003 www.JenniferHlusko.ca

Why are the cross section and streetscape opportunities so different for the driver, cyclist or walker for <u>Brant to</u> <u>Northampton</u> (p14), <u>Northampton to Appleby</u> (p15), and <u>Appleby to Bronte</u> (p16)? What is the advantage of them being different?

What is the difference between a "Bike Lane" and a "Cycle Track"?

Hasn't experience taught us that separate bike lanes and sidewalks are far superior to the users than multi-use paths? They are safer for all users. They are more appealing to seniors or anyone with a disability or injury because they don't have to fear being hurt by someone coming up rapidly from behind (cyclist, skateboarder, roller blader, etc.) They are safer for people and pets being walked on a longer leash.

For Burlington, the highest volume of foot & bike traffic will be <u>Northampton to Appleby</u> (p15) and yet that section has the "Cycle Track" directly on the road! With one major connection and 6 bus stops in that section, this puts cyclists at tremendous risk every time a bus pulls over at a stop. Indeed, the drawing of the cyclist approaching a bus pulled over at a stop highlights that danger.

Why can't the bike lane be built on the other side of the boulevard beside the pedestrian lane? Not one of the three section drawings offer this feature and yet I believe it is the safest, most superior design. Is there a cost difference that prevented you from recommending this design? Is there a different reason, beyond cost?

Why does the Raised Median need to be built so wide? 5.5 to 6.5m (18-21 ft) seems excessive. What is the purpose of the Raised Median? If it is for noise abatement, accomplished via the trees, can't the width be decreased? There are many native trees to chose from whose mature canopy width at the height of a truck that is less than 6.5m. If the purpose of the Raised Median is safety (ie to prevent u-turns and to decrease accidents from opposing traffic crossing the Raised Median), could that not also be accomplished by more trees? What else might be the criteria for building a Raised Median? And therefore, what is the minimum Raised Median width required to meet those identified needs? I believe it is better to apply any extra width available to the cyclist or pedestrian portion of the new Dundas Street Corridor.

Why is the future HOV/Rapid Bus Travel lane 4.2m wide for <u>Brant to Northampton</u> but only 3.5m for the other two sections? When you consider the average width of a bus, why would the lane ever need to be 4.2m wide?

Why is the entire lighting system directed toward the road? Drivers are accustomed to little lighting on Dundas, but cyclists and pedestrians need better lighting to be safe. The plan shows no lighting for the sidewalks.

Why are there so many bus stops between west of Guelph Line? Do you plan to add traffic lights at each of those bus stops? If not, how will west-bound commuters returning home be able to safely cross 6 lanes filled with tired, hungry drivers moving toward the sun?

Lastly, I'd like to talk about two major issues of concern to me, the trustee for Dr. Frank J. Hayden SS. One is the placement of a bus stop at Tim Dobbie and Dundas. The principal of Hayden worked with the City of Burlington to move a bus stop away from the closest intersection to Nelson HS two years ago after two students were hit by a car. Have the transportation staff at the City of Burlington been consulted on lessons learned about bus stops and high schools?

A driving issue for me since early 2010 when it was decided that the Halton District School Board, Burlington Public Library and City of Burlington would partner to build the Alton Complex has been pedestrian safety crossing Dundas Street. Daily there are what I would call pedestrians in need of extra care:

- students crossing before & after school as well as twice during their lunch period often in groups, often texting
- young parents with babies in strollers and walking tots crossing to attend toddler storytime at the library
- young families crossing to use the wading pool at Norton
- seniors crossing to take classes at the Haber Recreation Centre
- 'tweens crossing to enjoy the Norton Skatepark

How long before a pedestrian is seriously injured crossing Dundas Street? How will your plans address the concern regarding equity of access for citizens living south of Dundas Street to fully enjoy the Alton Complex, paid for with their tax dollars? Certainly, they're not likely to walk to Tansley Woods when the Haber Recreation Centre and Alton library are so close. What are your plans to secure their safety as pedestrians? How will your plans reduce the number of cars being driven to this public facility?

Thank you very much for providing the public with an opportunity to be involved in this process. To reward public engagement, will you be posting all the comments received? Will you be posting your answers to the public questions? In my experience as the elected Ward 6 trustee over the past 11 years, this kind of transparency is the best way to foster a genuine dialogue and improve the outcome for all citizens.

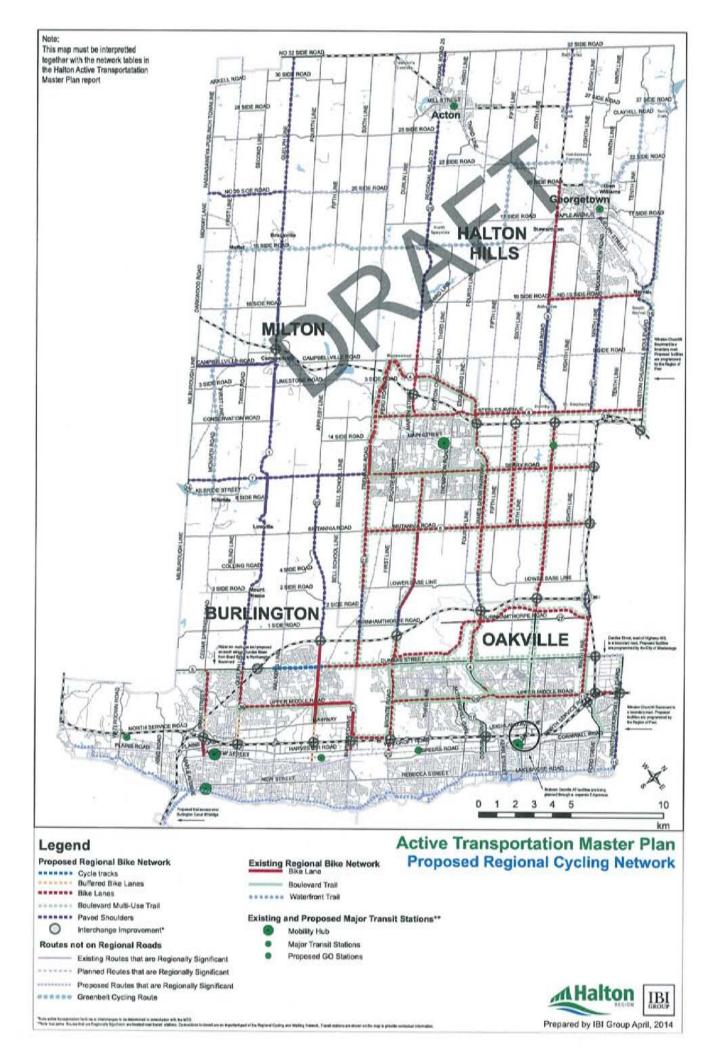
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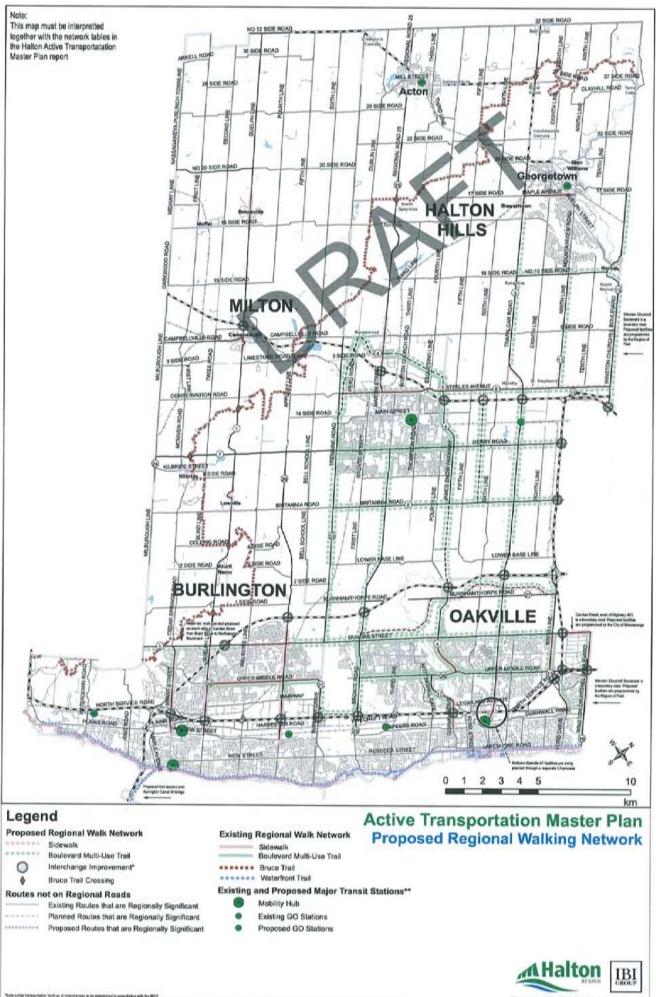
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Prepared by IBI Group April, 2014



Types of Cycling Facilities for Regional Roads

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Separate space on the road exclusively for cyclists marked with a painted line, bicycle and diamond symbols and signs.





Buffered Bike Lane

Separate space on the road exclusively for cyclists marked with a painted line and buffer, bicycle and diamond symbols and signs.



Cycle Track

Separate space on the road exclusively for cyclists segregated from traffic by delineators, bollards, curb, planters or medians. Unlike boulevard multi-use trails, cycle tracks operate under the same rules of the road as bike lanes and travel lanes.





Received at My 29, 2014 PIC



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Katherine Jim

Subject:

RE: Dundas Street West - ROW Improvements

From: Sean McKoy [mailto:smckoy@urbantech.com] Sent: June-03-14 1:19 PM To: Neil Ahmed Subject: Dundas Street West - ROW Improvements

Neil,

We met at the PIC Meeting on Thursday, May 29, 2014 and at that time I was asking you about clarification on the proposed ROW limits. Could you please send us information which clearly shows the proposed line work along Dundas Street West between Tremaine Road and Bronte Creek? A CAD file would be preferred so we can properly determine the dimensions involved. I believe that when we spoke you said it would be possible for you to strip any sensitive information from a CAD file and send the line work to us.

Thank you in advance.

Regards, Sean McKoy, P.Eng. Project Manager Urbantech Consulting A Division of Leighton-Zec Ltd

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	Services (Patrick.Monaghan@halton.ca); Melissa.Green-Battiston@halton.ca
Subject:	Dundas Street EA - Partial Preliminary Plan Request
Attachments:	3212082-PLAN 17400-18240.pdf

Hello Sean,

Thank you for attending the Public Information Centre for the Dundas Street EA Study (Brant Street to Bronte Road) on May 29.

As requested in the comment sheet and also in the June 3, 2014 email, please find attached a partial preliminary plan for Dundas Street between Tremaine Road and the Bronte Creek. Please note that the plan is preliminary only and subject to change and further review.

Regards, Katherine

Katherine Jim, P.Eng., M.Eng.

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Re: Dundas Street (Regional Road 5) Corridor Improvements Brant Street (Regional Road 18) to Bronte Road (Regional Road 25) Class Environmental Assessment Study

Dear

On behalf of Halton Region, we would like to thank you for attending the Public Information Centre (PIC) for the above-noted study on May 29, 2014 and for providing your comments to the Project Team.

The Dundas Street Project Team and the Region's Active Transportation Master Plan (ATMP) Project Team have reviewed and discussed your comments regarding the active transportation facilities along Dundas Street. We apologize for the delay of our response, but we wanted to ensure that your comments were fully addressed.

Combined crossrides are proposed to be implemented in place of standard crosswalks, to allow crossing cyclists to ride across intersections where cyclists on the proposed multi-use trails would otherwise be required to dismount and walk their bikes across.

The 'combined' arrangement is the most appropriate for corridors such as Dundas Street where cyclists and pedestrians will be sharing the same space on the approach to an intersection. The layout will be similar to the example shown in **Figure 1** on the following page. Similar facilities are also being proposed for the widening at Dundas Street / Third Line intersection (in the Town of Oakville).



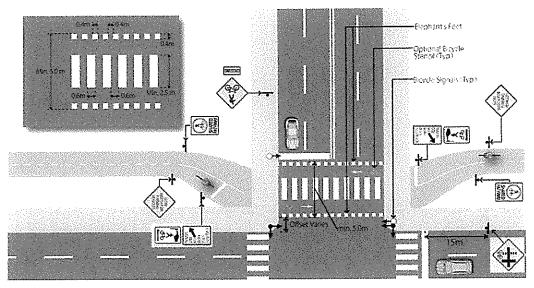


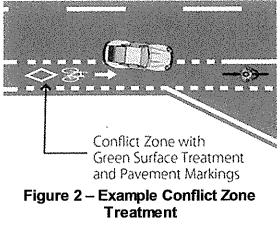
Figure 1 – Combined Pedestrian and Cyclist Crossride (Signalized Example)

Source: Based on Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18, Figure 4.102.

The proposed active transportation elements on Dundas Street follow the recommendations from the draft Halton Region ATMP. For the current EA the Dundas Street corridor can be divided into three general sections as follows: Section 1 - Brant Street to Northampton Boulevard, Section 2 - Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line, and Section 3 - Appleby Line to Bronte Road:

- Section 1 Brant Street to Northampton Boulevard: Niagara Escarpment land is on the north side of Dundas Street and will likely experience limited development in the future. Most of the active transportation use will be on the south side of Dundas Street; therefore, a 4 m multi-use path on the south side only (bi-directional) is proposed.
- Section 2 Northampton Boulevard to Appleby Line: This is the most "urbanized" section of Dundas Street and where the highest cycling and pedestrian activity is anticipated within the City of Burlington. Therefore, it is proposed to provide separate facilities for cyclists and pedestrians. Cycle tracks consisting of 1.8 m bike lane + 0.5 m buffer (delineated by breakaway bollards) are proposed. Please note that in place of the proposed 2.0 m sidewalk that was shown at the May 29, 2014 PIC, a 3.0 m multi-use path is now being proposed following the receipt of comments at that PIC. This change recognizes that the secondary school / community centre will attract higher active transportation use, and provide the option for cyclists who want to be off-road.
- Section 3 Appleby Line to Bronte Road: It is expected that there will be less pedestrian use through this area; however cyclists will likely continue through from Appleby Line into the Town of Oakville. Therefore, it is proposed that cyclists / pedestrians share the multi-use path on both sides of the road in combination with on-road facilities. Through this section of Dundas Street, 1.5 m on-road bike lanes + 0.3 m painted buffer and 3.0 m multi-use path on both sides of the road are proposed.





Source: Excerpt from Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18, Figure 5.23.

Although the dimensions and facility types change through the corridor based on anticipated usage and adjacent land uses, the provision of active transportation facilities on Dundas Street is continuous between Brant Street and Bronte Road. In particular, multi-use paths are proposed on Dundas Street throughout the study area, which will also allow cyclists to pass behind the proposed (future) bus shelters.

It is recognized that there are locations where motor vehicles will cross the proposed onroad cycling facilities. A potential treatment for these conflict zones is the application of dashed guide lines with bike stencils and

green surface treatment with optional directional arrows, as shown in **Figure 2**. 'Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18 - Cycling Facilities' also presents some alternatives, for example:

- bike stencils at 1.5 m to 10 m spacing with optional directional arrows;
- · dashed guide lines with optional bike stencils; or
- green surface treatment only.

Providing additional pavement markings and coloured surfacing alerts drivers to the presence of the potential conflict with cyclists. Directional arrow markings clarify that the bike lane is for through cyclists and the fact that they have priority in such locations. Similar treatments may be selectively used where the proposed multi-use path crosses an access. The type and location of these enhancements will be confirmed following further review during the detailed design stage.

In response to comments received, we have reviewed the proposed facilities on the northwest corner of the Appleby Line intersection, outside Walmart. Between the end of the proposed bus bay and the Walmart access, there is approximately 120 m over which motor vehicles may merge across the proposed cycle track. The consistent location of the cycle track and the adjacent travel lane will maximize the visibility of cyclists in the cycle track and ensure they will not be obscured by any stopped buses. The facility could be emphasized by the provision of coloured surface treatment and/or additional pavement markings as described above. Again, this will be confirmed following further review during the detailed design stage.

With respect to comments regarding the raised median provided throughout the Dundas Street Corridor, it is important for a number of factors, including safety, landscaping opportunities and accommodating left-turn lanes. While the landscaping plan for the Dundas Street corridor will be developed during detail design, landscape architects indicate that a minimum 5m wide median is ideal for tree planting and long-term survival of vegetation. Please note that the raised median is narrowed at approaches to intersections to accommodate the left turn lane storage or where there is a significant property constraint (e.g. heritage property). The proposed lane width on Dundas



Street (3.5 m) is consistent with the Region's Council approved Right-of-Way Guidelines and other major arterial road widths within Halton Region.

Dundas Street is an important east-west arterial corridor in Halton Region and it is the Region's vision to transition the character of this road from an existing rural high-speed facility to a pedestrian and cyclist-friendly multi-modal urban corridor. Illumination will be provided throughout the Dundas Street corridor, including all intersections (i.e. Eaglesfield Drive and Blackwood Drive). A multi-modal corridor provides a balanced transportation system within the Regional right-of-way and accommodates all roads users, including transit and active transportation. Land uses adjacent to Dundas Street are changing from vacant agricultural fields to residential and commercial uses. The purpose of the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study is to identify proposed improvements on Dundas Street to support future growth and development in the communities and to protect the right-of-way required to implement the various multi-modal elements. Recognizing the growing trend in active transportation, new treatments and concepts will be developed in the future. The protected right-of-way on Dundas Street through the Class EA Study will allow flexibility to explore the feasibility of implementing these new treatments during detailed design.

Both the Active Transportation Master Plan and Dundas Street Project Teams have reviewed and discussed the feasibility of the "Dutch" intersection crossing treatments for cyclists on Dundas Street. While this treatment may be suitable for roads in a European setting, it was agreed that this type of crossing treatment is not preferred for a major arterial road such as Dundas Street.

Thank you for your interest in the Dundas Street Class EA Study. Should you have further questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at 905-823-8500 or <u>ahmedn@mmm.ca</u>.

Yours truly, MMM Group

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Neil Ahmed, P.Eng. Project Manager cc. Jeff Reid, C.E.T., Halton Region