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Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit (LRT)

Transit Project Assessment Study

Notice of Commencement and Public Open Houses starting November 23, 2009

Public Consultation

We are holding seven Open Houses where you can learn more about this transit project, ask questions, and share your comments.

All Open Houses will be held from 6:30pm to 9:00pm.

Location and Dates:

York Memorial Collegiate, 2690 Eglinton Avenue West
Monday, November 23, 2009

Northern Secondary School, 851 Mount Pleasant Road
Wednesday, November 25, 2009

CNIB Conference Centre, 1929 Bayview Avenue
Wednesday, December 2, 2009

Beth Shalom Synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Avenue West
Thursday, December 10, 2009

Etobicoke Olympium, 590 Rathburn Road
Tuesday, November 24, 2009

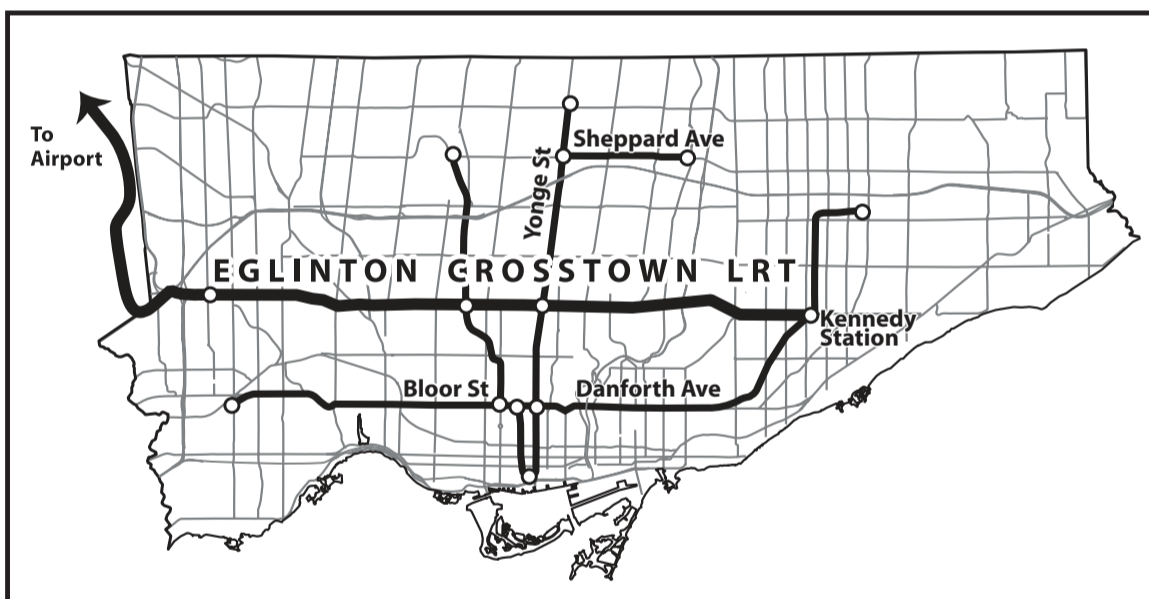
Richview Collegiate, 1738 Islington Avenue
Thursday, November 26, 2009

Don Montgomery Community Centre, 2467 Eglinton Avenue East
Tuesday, December 8, 2009

Background

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) and the City of Toronto are planning a new Light Rail Transit (LRT) route along Eglinton Avenue from Kennedy Subway Station to Pearson International Airport. The LRT will link to the Yonge Subway at Eglinton Station and to the Spadina Subway at Eglinton West Station. As part of the Transit City light rail network, this route will connect with the proposed Don Mills LRT, Jane LRT, and Scarborough-Malvern LRT.

The Eglinton Crosstown LRT will provide modern, accessible and comfortable light rail transit service. The LRT will operate underground from Laird Drive in the east to Keele Street in the west, as the width of Eglinton Avenue in this area is too narrow to accommodate street level LRT. For the remainder of the route, the LRT will operate in reserved transit lanes in the centre of the street.



At the upcoming Open Houses, TTC and the City will present the preferred design for both the underground and street level segments of the line. For the surface segments, final stop/passenger platform locations and traffic management strategies to provide fast and reliable LRT service will be displayed. The Open Houses will also exhibit the identified environmental impacts and corresponding proposed mitigation measures of the preferred design and the proposed methods of construction.

This is the third round of public consultation. Previous consultations were held during the preliminary planning stage in August-September 2008 and June-September 2009. Responses to questions and comments submitted at previous open houses will be posted in the Frequently Asked Questions and Answers section on the project website: toronto.ca/transitcity.

Process

The environmental impact of the Eglinton Crosstown LRT will be assessed in accordance with the Transit Project Assessment Process as prescribed in Ontario Regulation 231/08, Transit Projects and Greater Toronto Transportation Authority Undertakings (2008). As part of the Transit Project Assessment process an Environmental Project Report is being prepared.

Next Steps

A status report will be sent to TTC and City Council before the Open Houses. Following the open houses and review of comments, there will be an opportunity to incorporate feedback. A formal public notice of study completion will then be issued. At that time, an Environmental Project Report will be made available for a 30 day review period on the project website: toronto.ca/transitcity (see Eglinton Crosstown LRT) and at specified locations in the "Notice of Completion".

We would like to hear from you:

Public consultation is an important part of this study. If you would like to provide comments or obtain more information, please contact:

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Information will be collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.