

# Ontario Line

## Downtown Segment

## **Land acknowledgement**

Metrolinx wishes to recognize that it operates on the traditional territories of the Anishnabeg, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat Peoples.

In particular, we acknowledge that the Ontario Line project takes place on Treaty 13 territory with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

We acknowledge that Metrolinx operates on these lands and has a responsibility to work with the original keepers of this territory and the many diverse Indigenous Peoples living here today.

Metrolinx remains committed to engaging with Indigenous Peoples and Nations on the Ontario Line project.

## Safety moment

Ontarians who live in Delta variant hot spots who got a 1st dose of an mRNA vaccine on or before May 9 can now book a 2nd dose appointment through Ontario's booking system, Public Health Units using their own system, or participating pharmacies & primary care settings.

**Learn more at**  
**[ontario.ca/bookvaccine](https://ontario.ca/bookvaccine)**

**Starting June 14**, individuals who received their first dose on or before May 9 **and** live in these Delta variant hot spots can book their accelerated second dose appointment:



**Halton**  
**Peel**  
**Porcupine**  
**Toronto**  
**Waterloo**  
**Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph**  
**York**



## Introduction to panel



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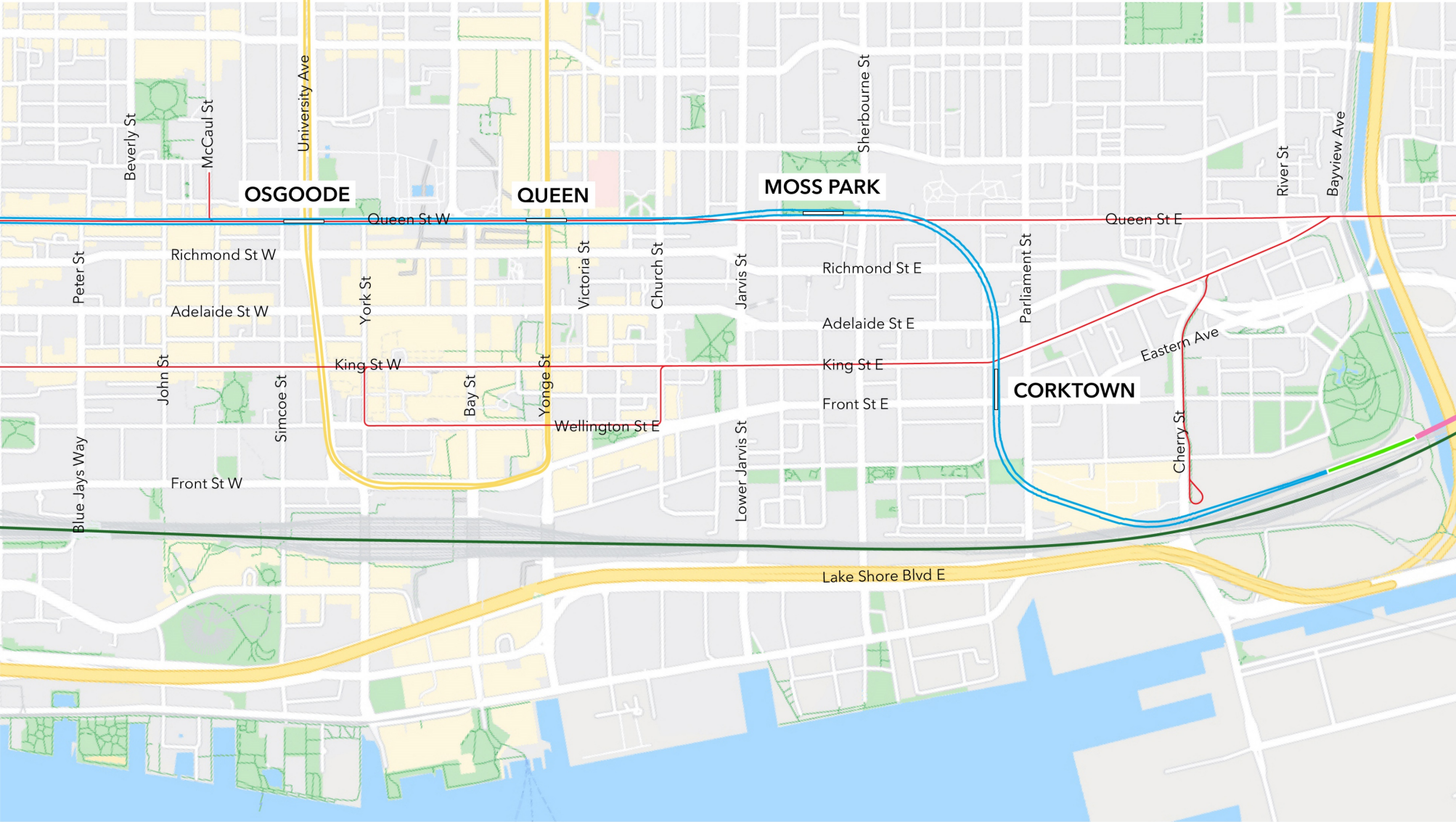
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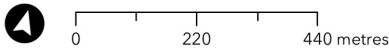
# Agenda

- Ontario Line Downtown Segment Presentation:
  - Station Updates:
    - Downtown Segment Overview
    - Osgoode Station
    - Queen Station
    - Moss Park Station
    - Corktown Station
    - Early Works and Heritage Interpretation and Commemoration Plan
  - Business and Community Supports
  - Building Transit Faster Act, 2020 and Transit Corridor Lands
- Q&A

# Downtown Segment



- OL Tracks Tunnelled
- OL Station Platform
- TTC Line 1
- Streetcar Lines
- OL Tracks At Grade
- Tunnel Portal
- GO Transit

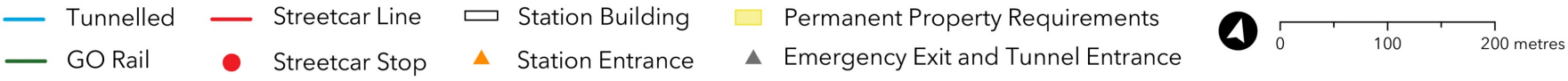
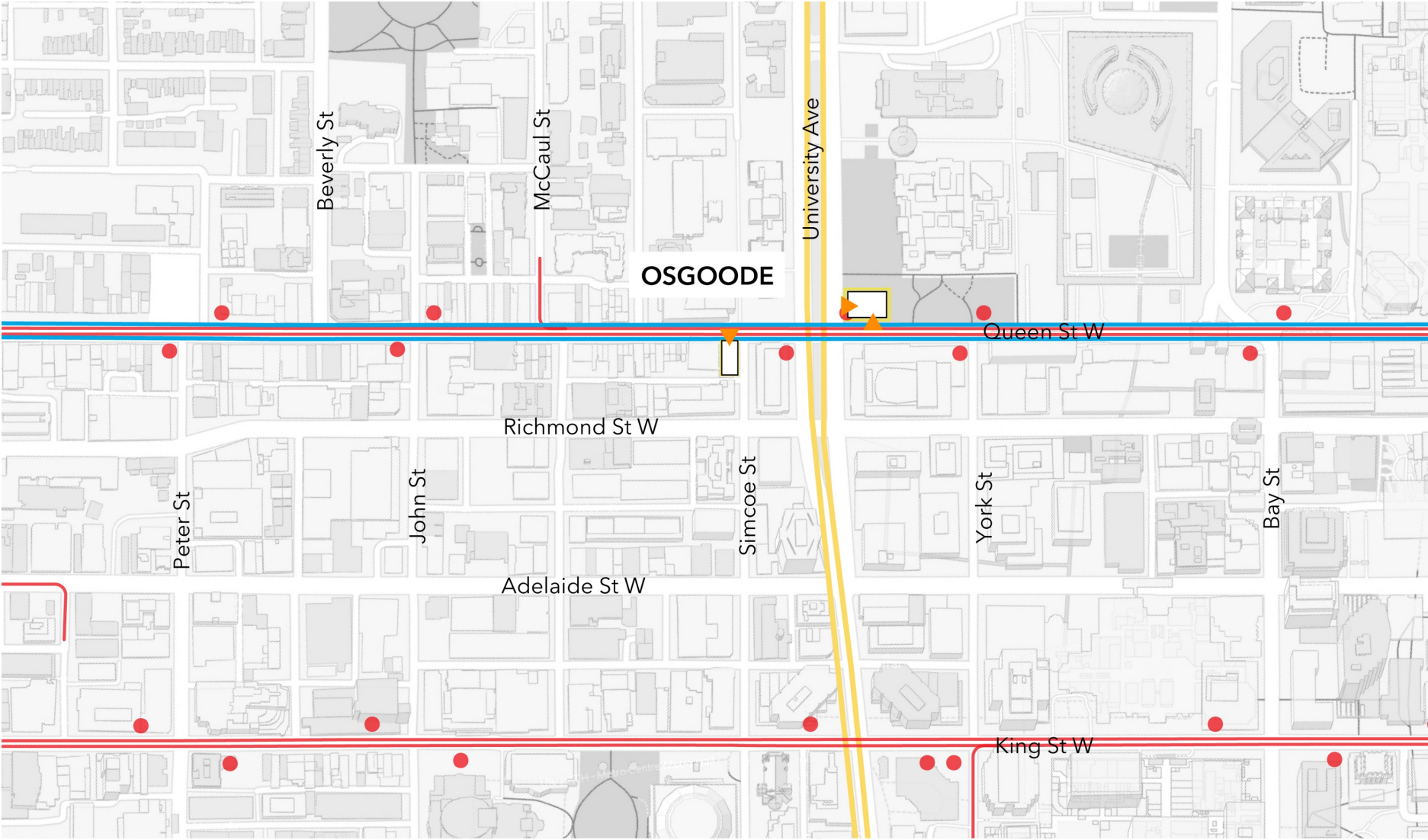


## Heritage Considerations

- We know how important the heritage properties are in this area and we're committed to retention of buildings or heritage attributes where possible. We included an initial survey of known and potential heritage properties along the Ontario Line route in the **Cultural Heritage Report**, part of the **Existing Conditions Report** published in November 2020.
- How are we balancing heritage conservation with construction requirements?
  - Working within the framework of the Ontario Heritage Act and the Standards and Guidelines for Conservation of Provincial Heritage Properties
  - We're actively working with heritage conservation specialists, including City of Toronto Heritage Planning to identify the best solutions
  - Exploring a range of conservation options for heritage properties and customizing approaches for each site.
    - Options include retention of façades while stations are built and careful dismantling of exteriors into panels which can be stored and then reassembled as part of the stations.
- Next steps:
  - We'll be back to share more about our proposed solutions, and seek feedback on these solutions, as the work advances over the coming months
  - We will include recommended solutions in our **Heritage Detailed Design Report**, which we plan to issue in draft for review and comment in early 2022 as part of the **Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR)**.



# Osgoode



Note: Heritage attributes will be conserved where possible. METROLINX

# Osgoode: Property Impacts



Osgoode Station

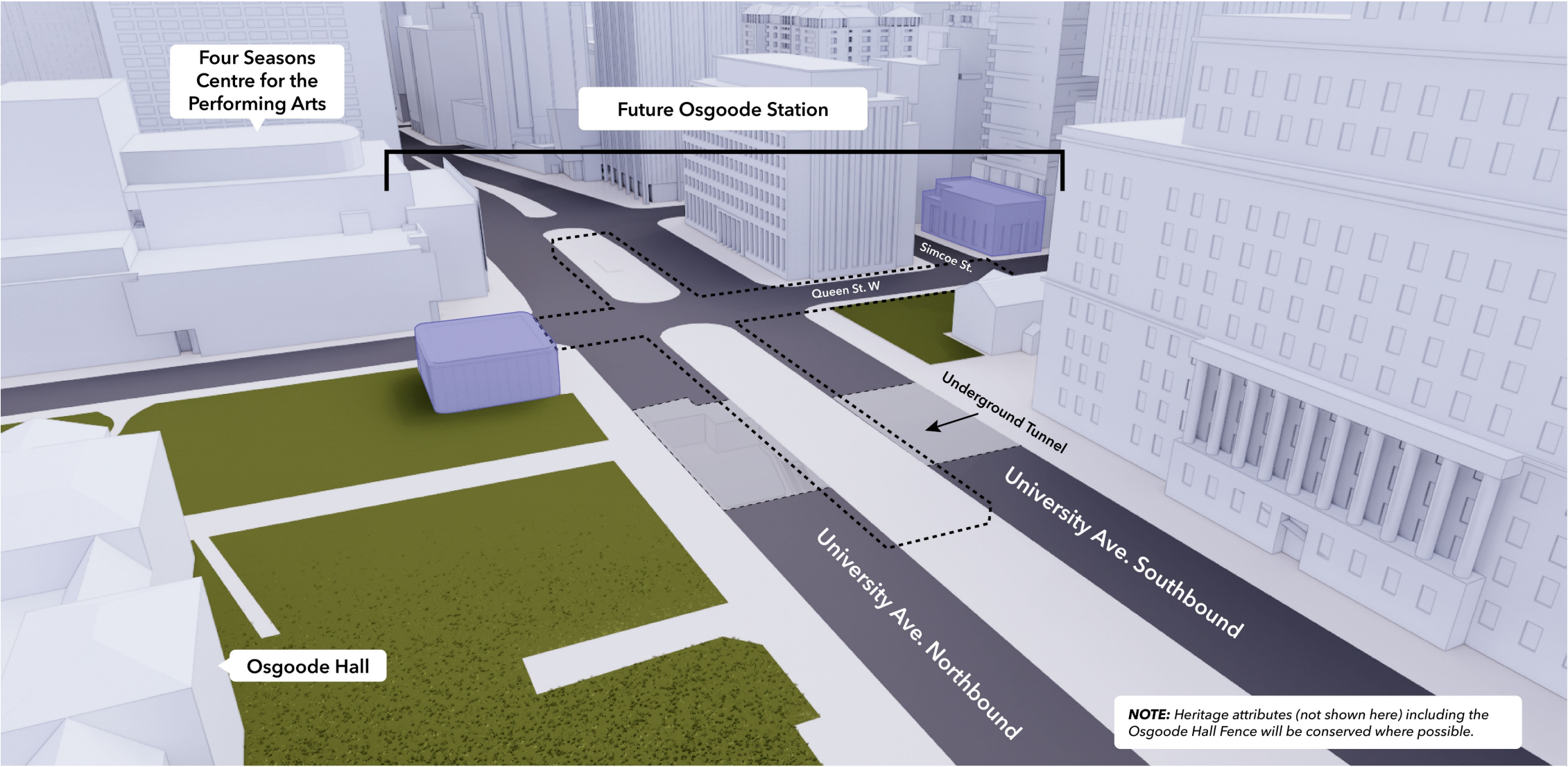
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# Osgoode



**Osgoode Station**

 = Future Station Building

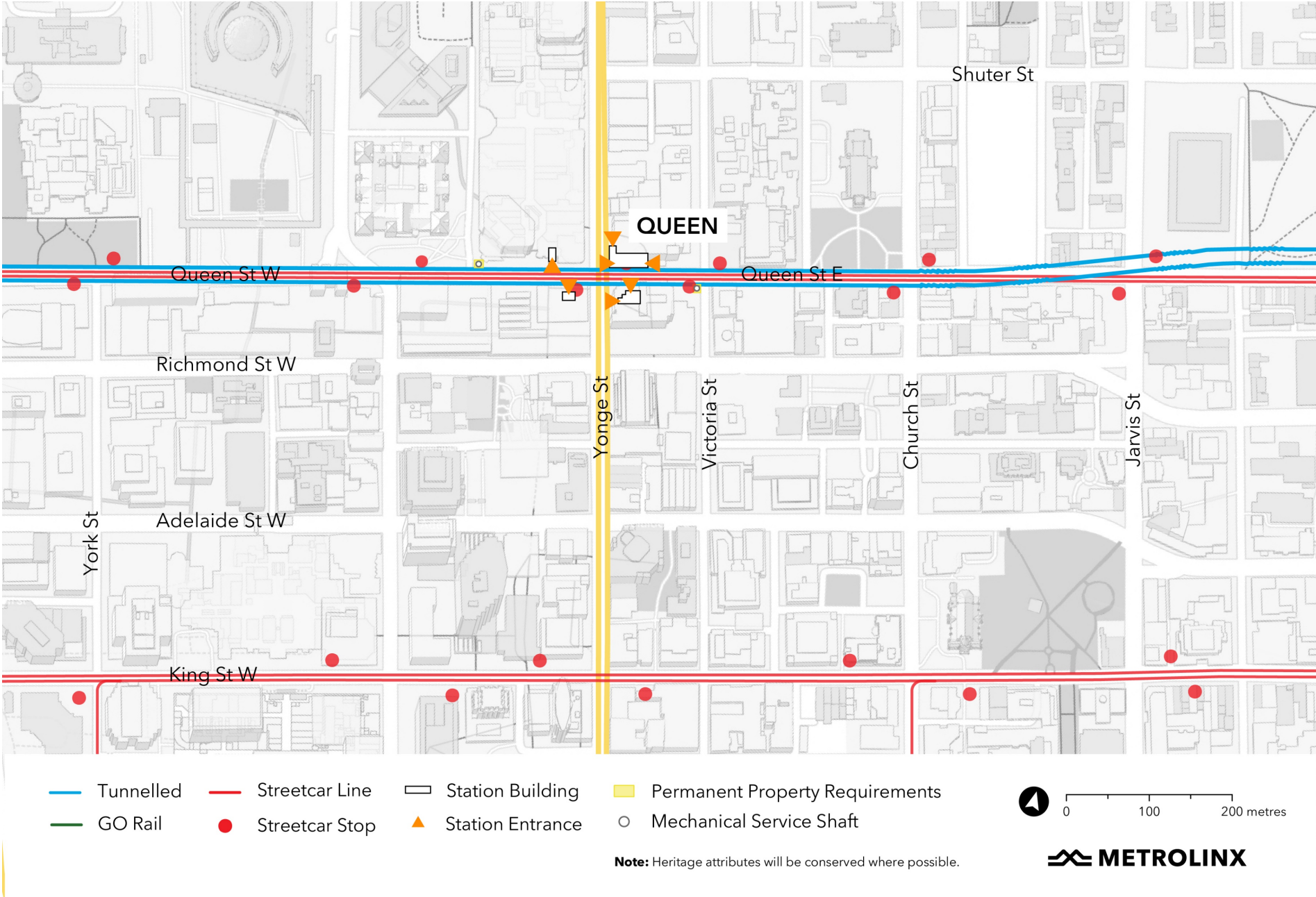
 = Existing TTC Station

 = Underground Tunnel



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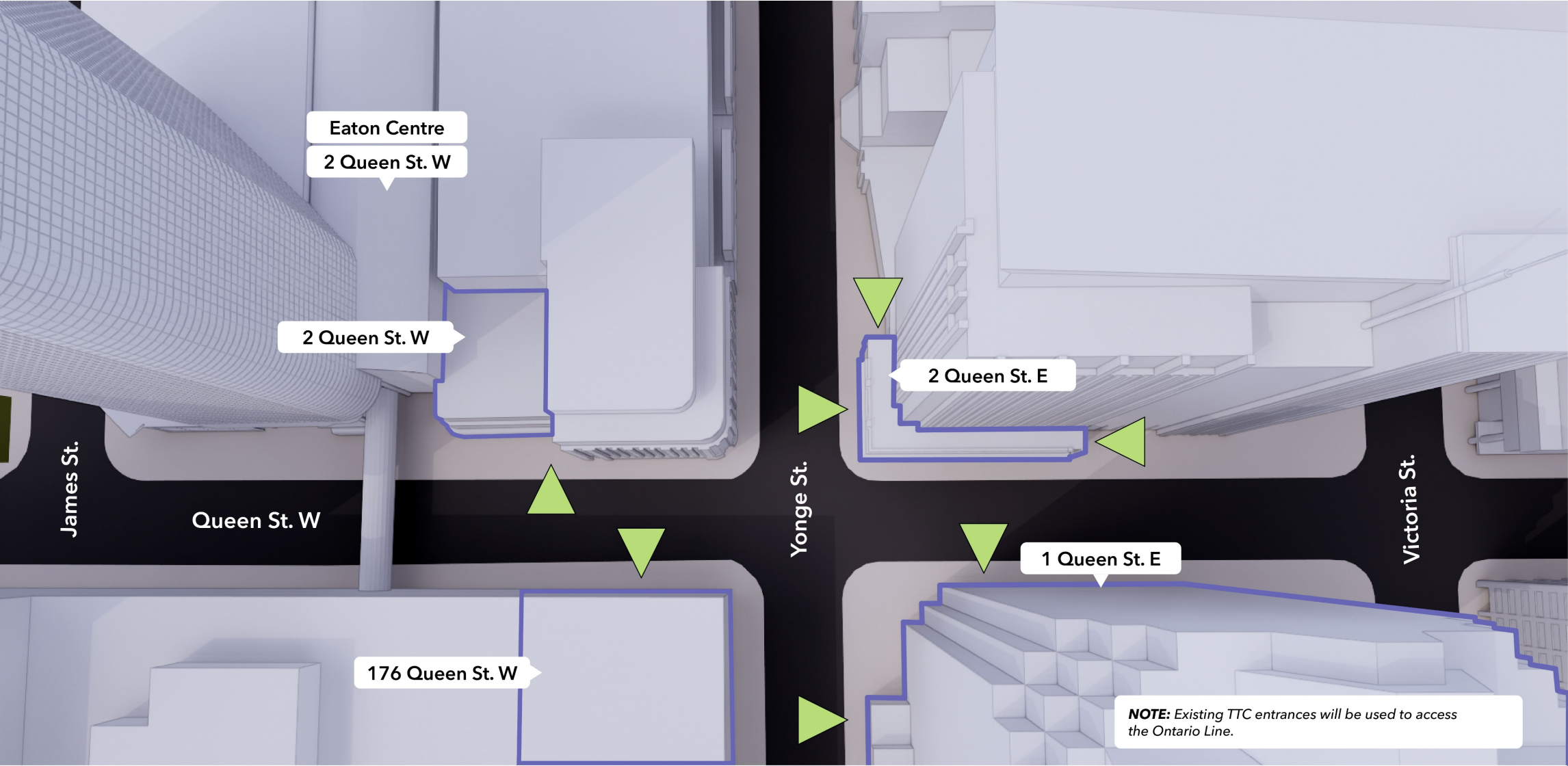
# Queen




METROLINX 18,400 residents and 150,000 jobs will be within a comfortable 10-minute walk.



# Queen



Queen Station

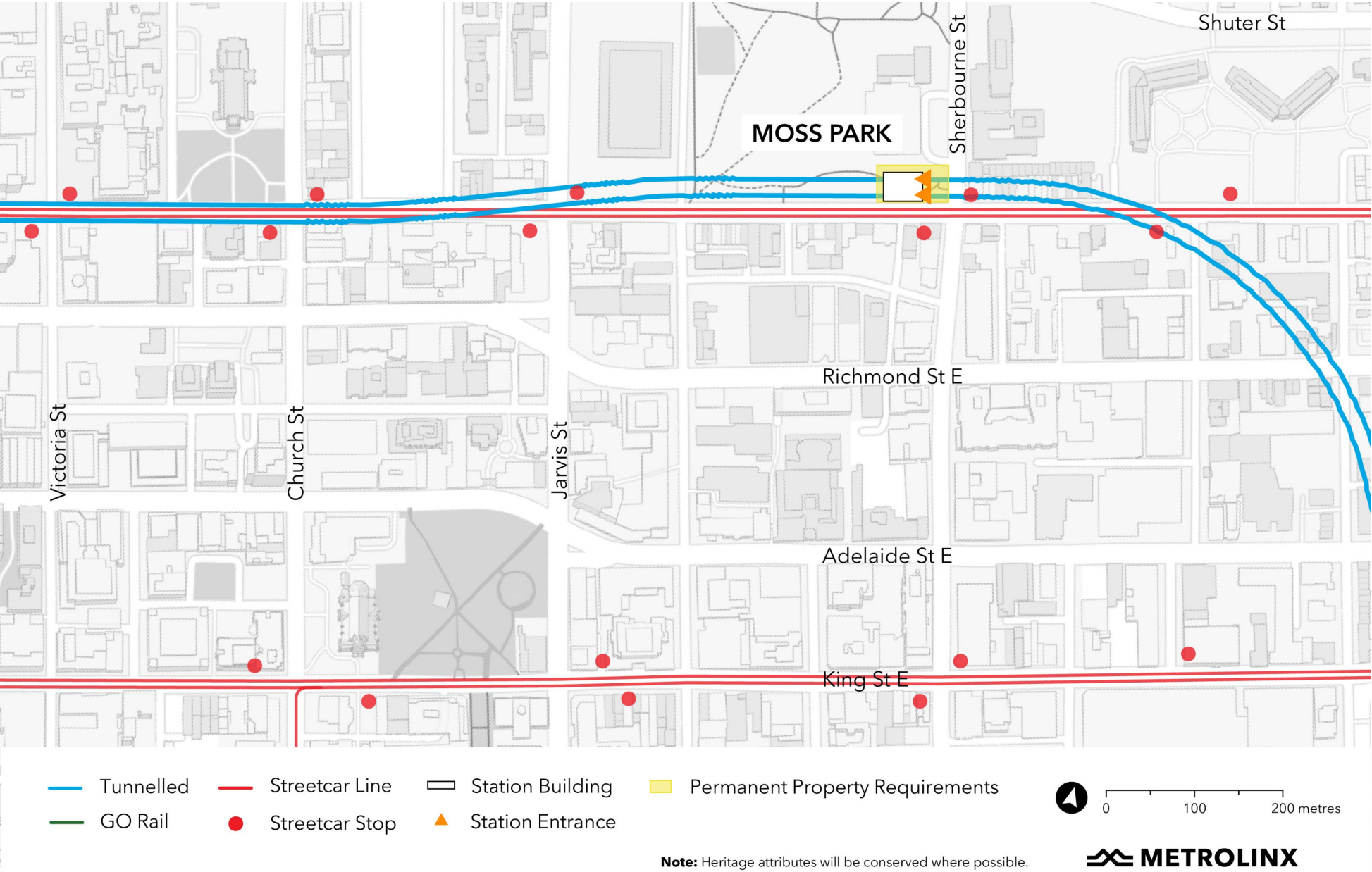
 = TTC Line 1 and Ontario Line Shared Entrance

 = Entrance Points



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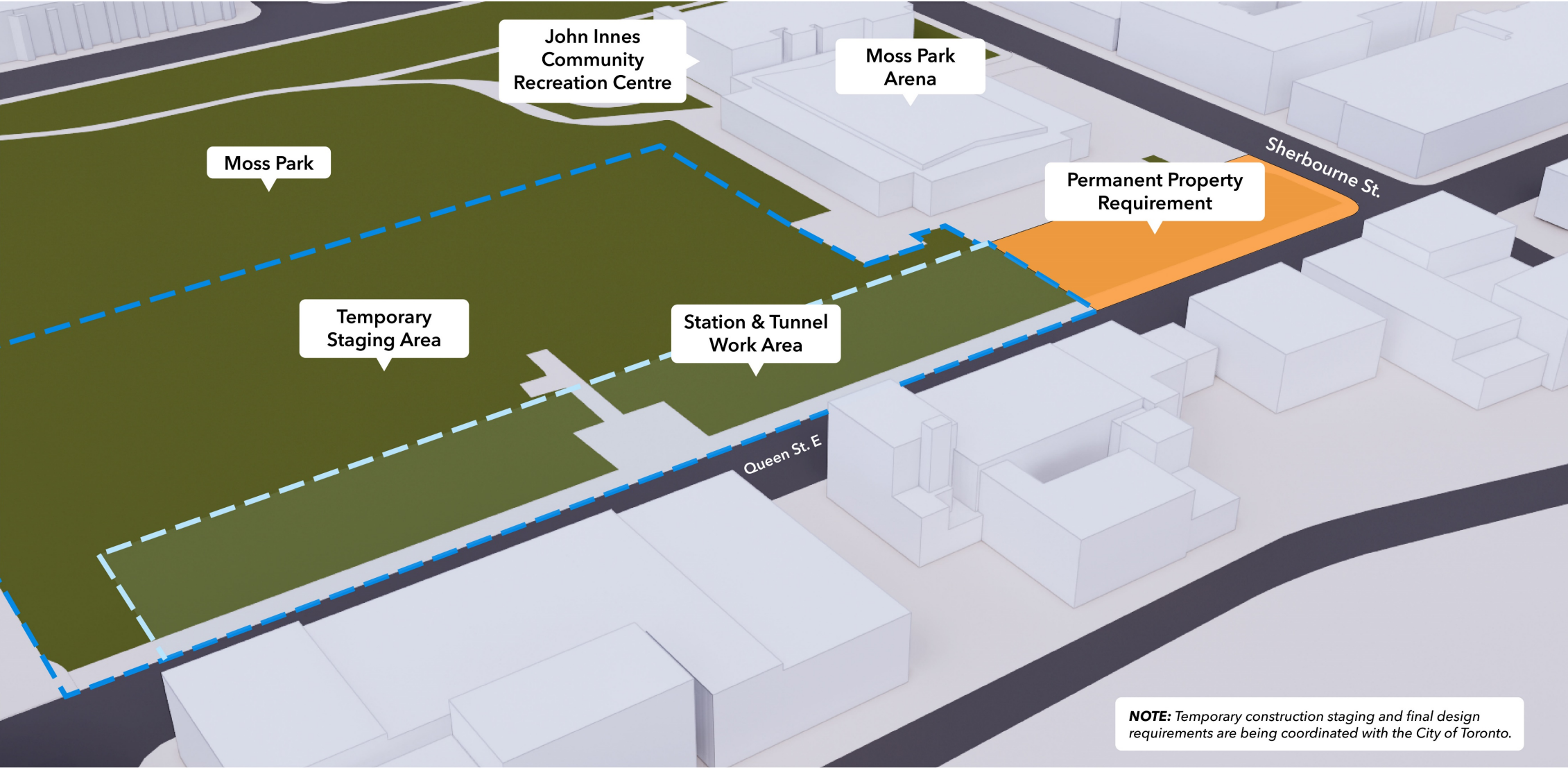
# Moss Park



**METROLINX** 23,600 residents and 23,200 jobs will be within a comfortable 10-minute walk.



# Moss Park: Property Impacts



**Moss Park Station**



= Permanent Property Requirements

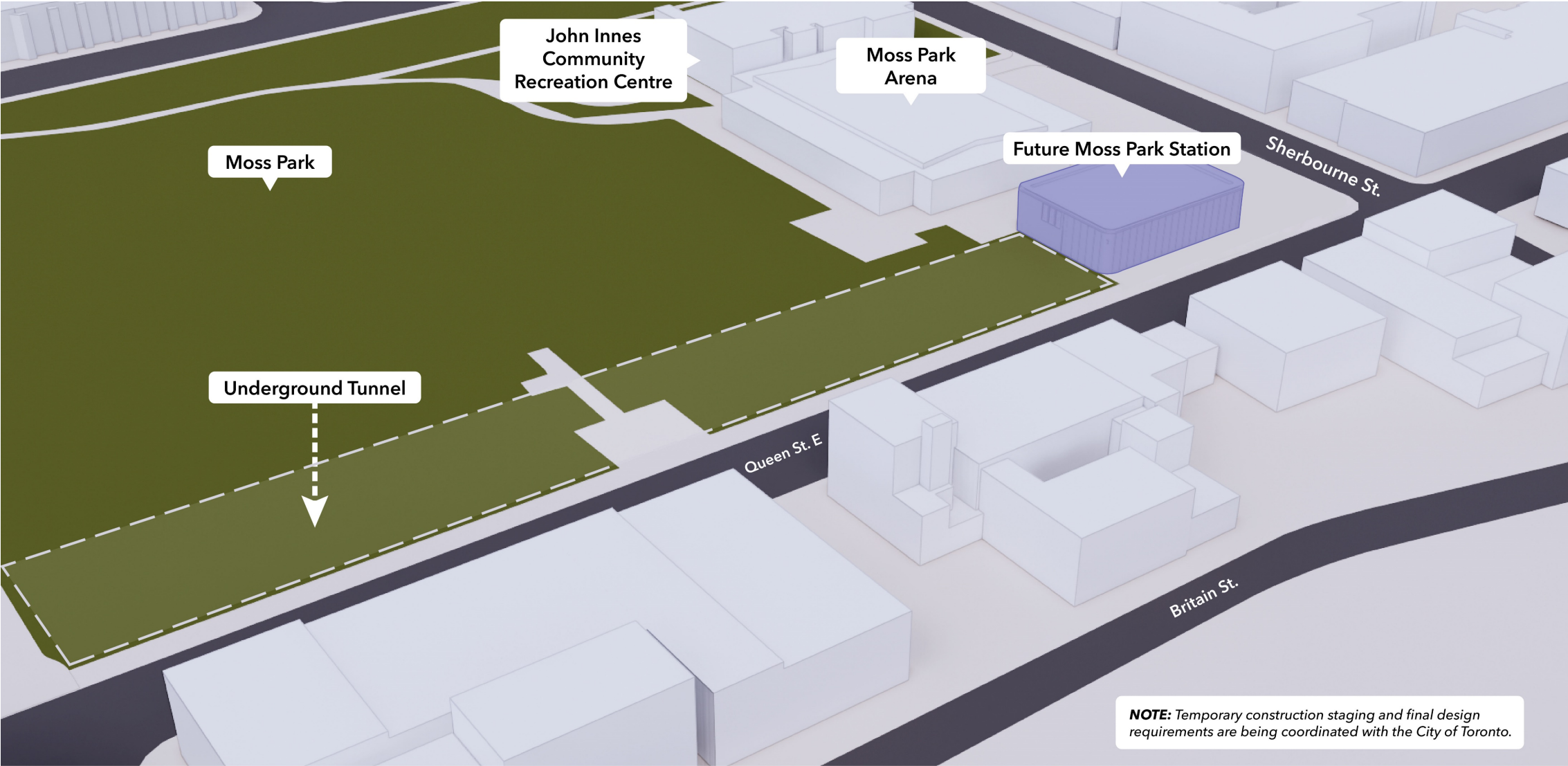


= Temporary Staging Area



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# Moss Park



**Moss Park Station**



= Future Station Building



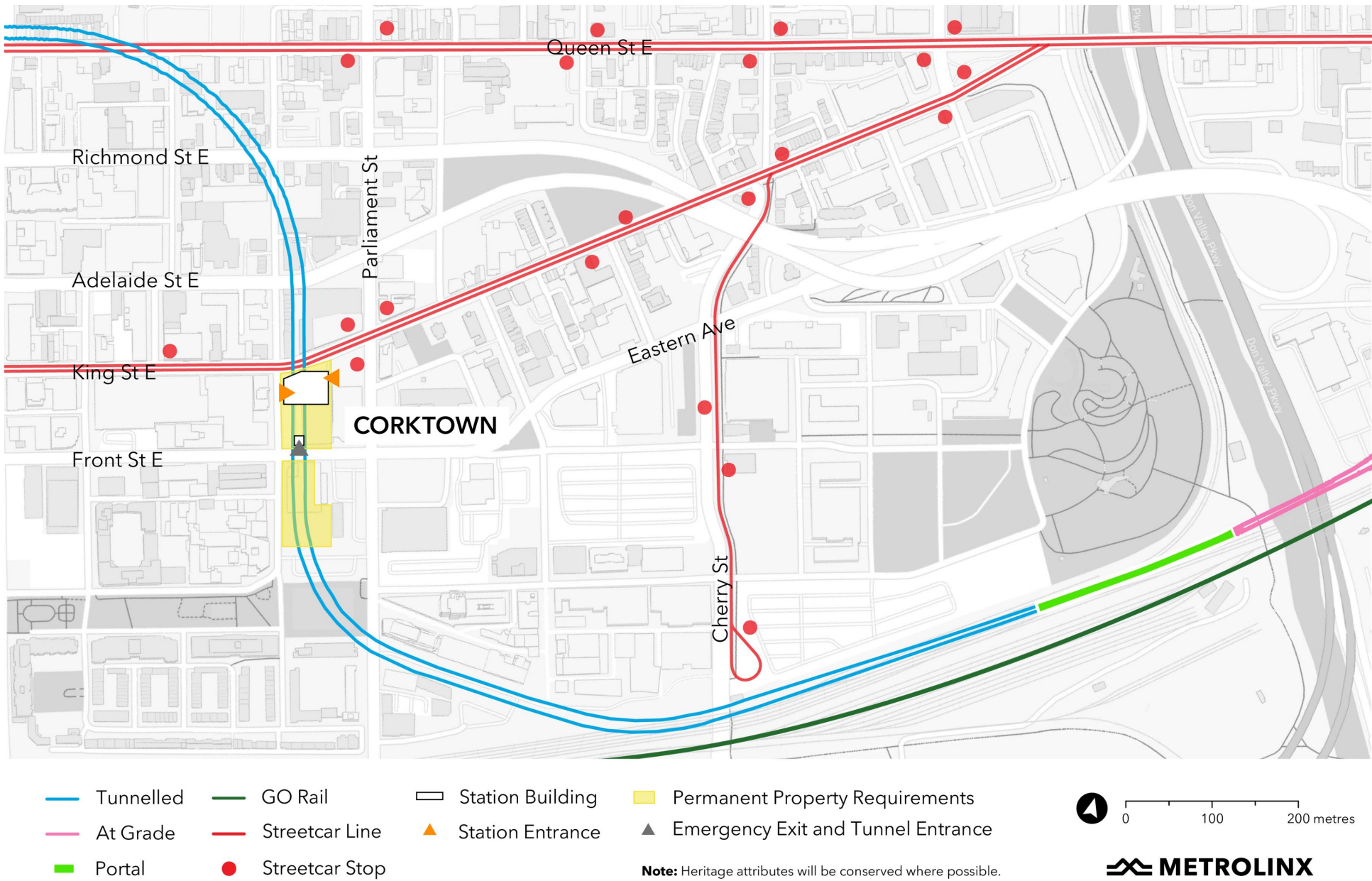
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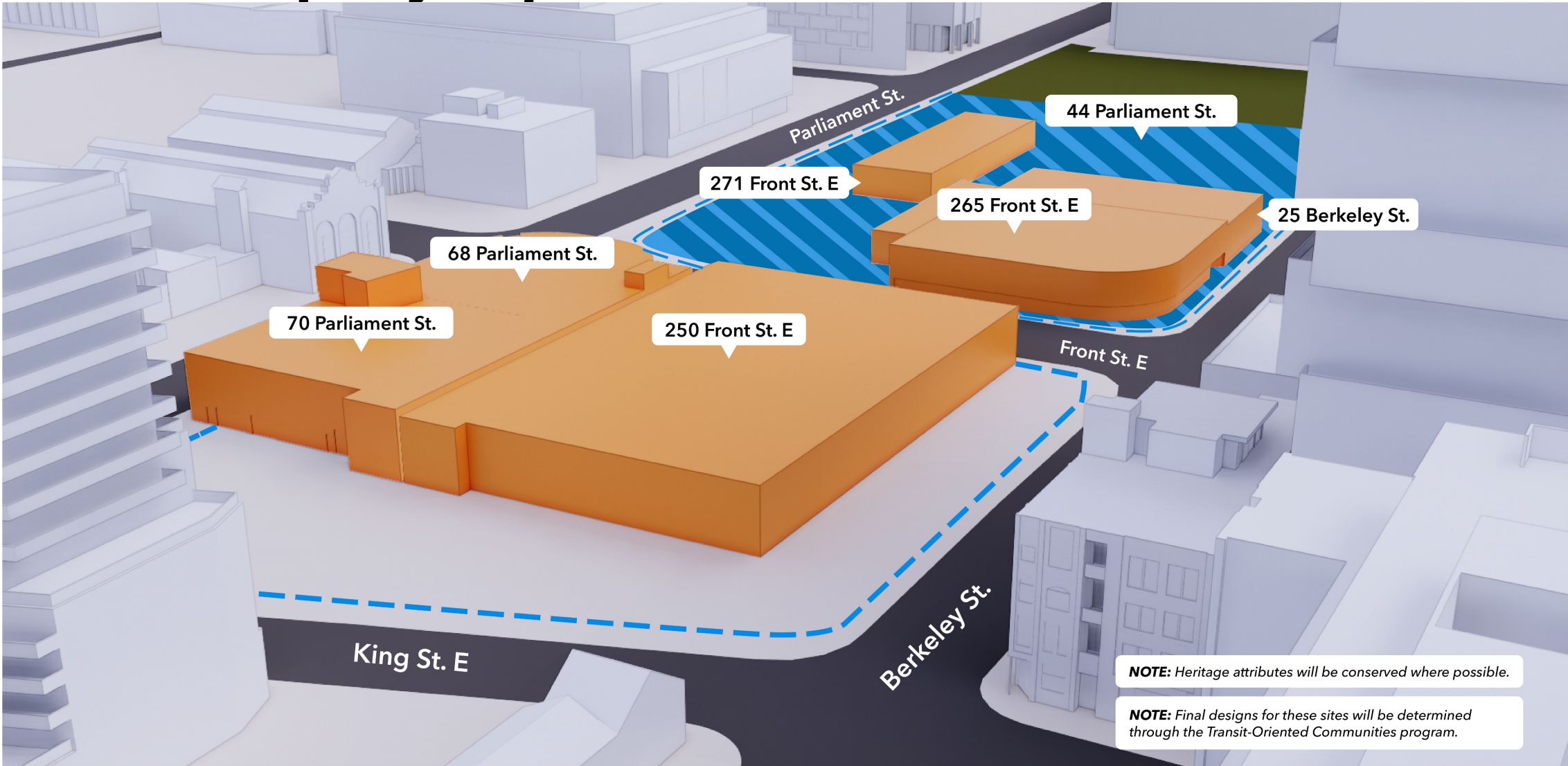


# Corktown



**METROLINX** 22,800 residents and 41,200 jobs will be within a comfortable 10-minute walk.

# Corktown: Property Impacts



**Corktown Station**



= Permanent Property Requirements



= Construction / Staging Area



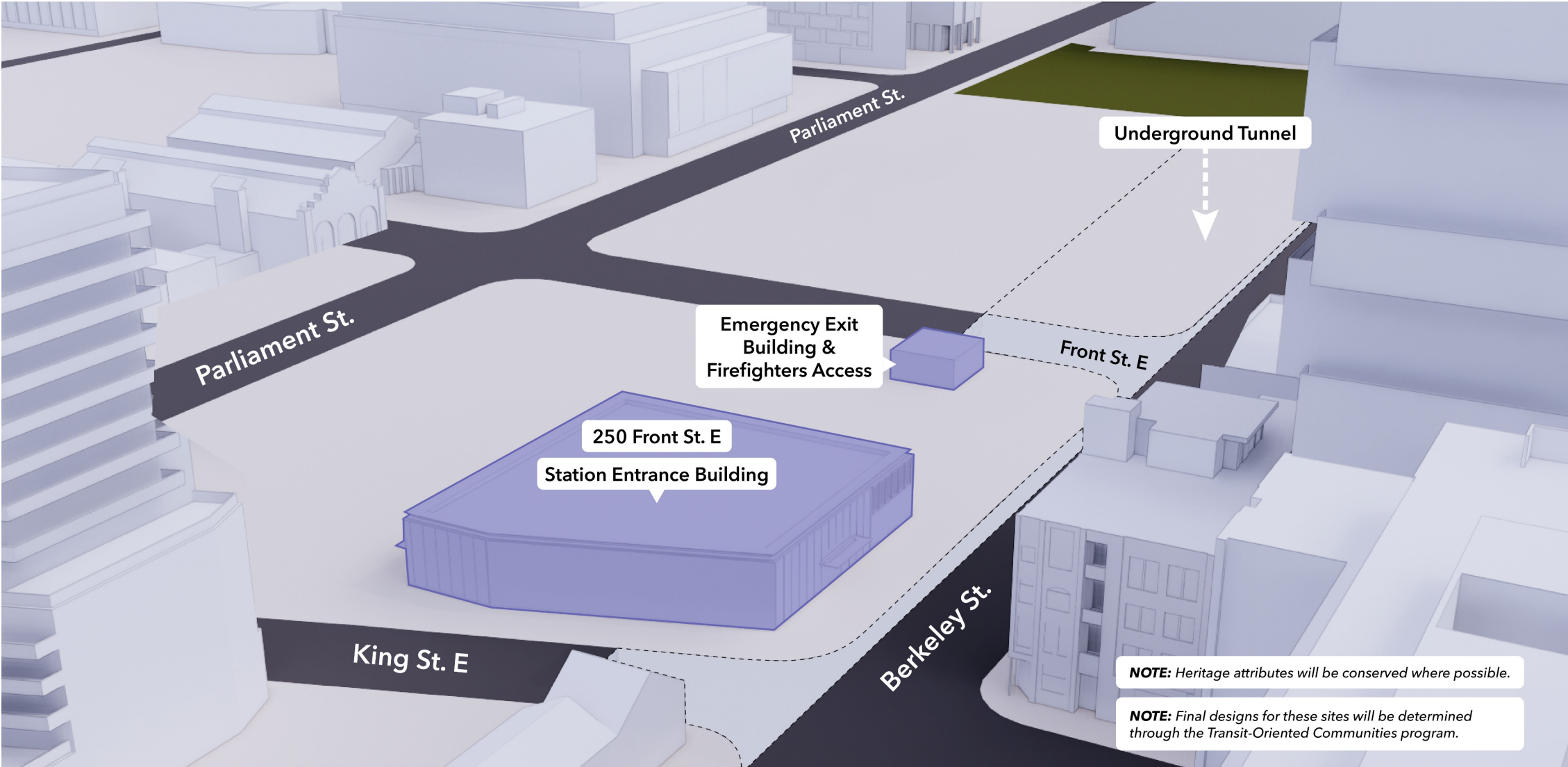
= First Parliament Site



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# Corktown



**NOTE:** Heritage attributes will be conserved where possible.

**NOTE:** Final designs for these sites will be determined through the Transit-Oriented Communities program.

Corktown Station



= Future Station Building



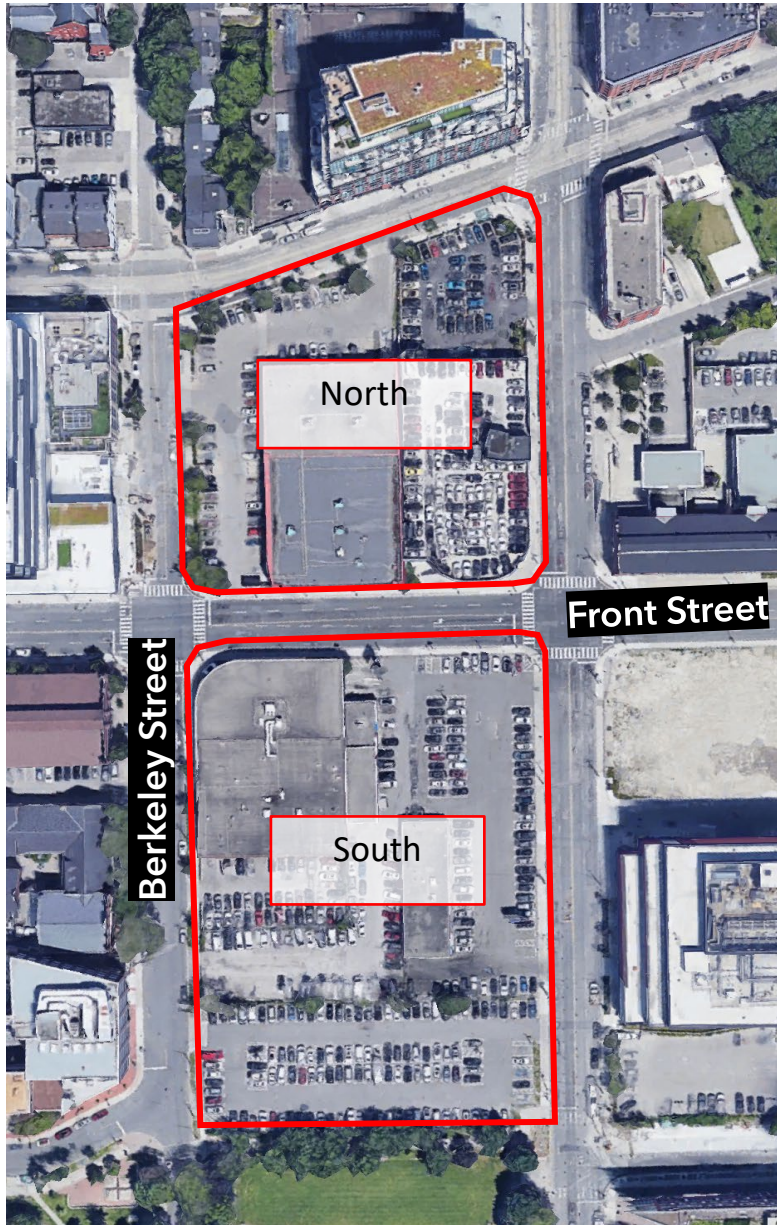
= Underground Tunnel



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## Corktown and First Parliament



- Tunnel boring machines will be launched from the north site. The future Corktown station will also be located here.
- The First Parliament Site (indicated as south site in image) is a known archaeological site.
- After extensive archeological investigation and environmental clean-up on both sites, the First Parliament site will be used as a laydown and staging area for tunnelling equipment, soil removal and other supporting uses in order to limit impacts to transit and traffic in the area.
- Construction/staging work will not happen until all archaeological assessments are complete.
- Archaeological assessments will be in accordance with Ministry standards and guidelines and in coordination with City of Toronto, Indigenous Nations and Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture (MHSTCI).

# Corktown Station Early Works



- Early works anticipated to begin as early as Fall 2021.
- Corktown Station early works include demolition of existing buildings, removal of structures and asphalt, decommissioning of utilities and soil removal and/or remediation where required.
- These early works will allow for the completion of environmental due diligence investigations, including archaeological assessments in advance of future construction staging and laydown to support tunneling and work associated with the future Corktown Station.
- Licensed archaeologists to be on site to monitor demolition and removal of at-grade components of structures, along with Indigenous field monitors

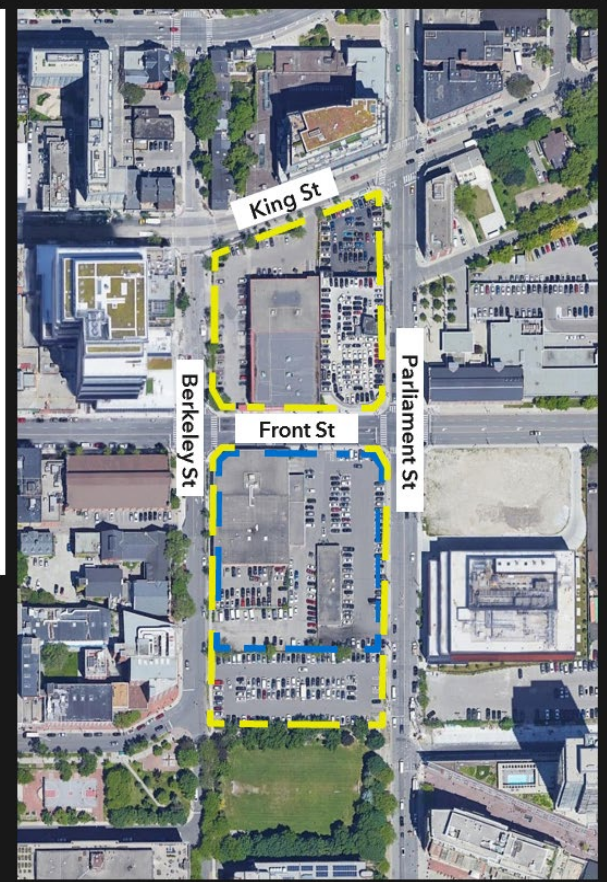
## Legend

-  Corktown Station Early Works Project Footprint
-  First Parliament Site

## Image:

View of Corktown Station early works project footprint, including the First Parliament Site which is currently home to a car dealership, car wash and surface parking.

Source: Metrolinx, 2021.

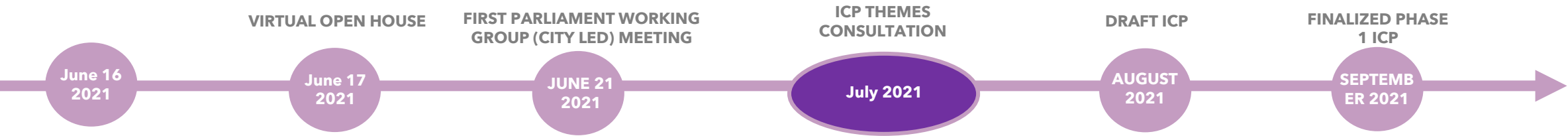
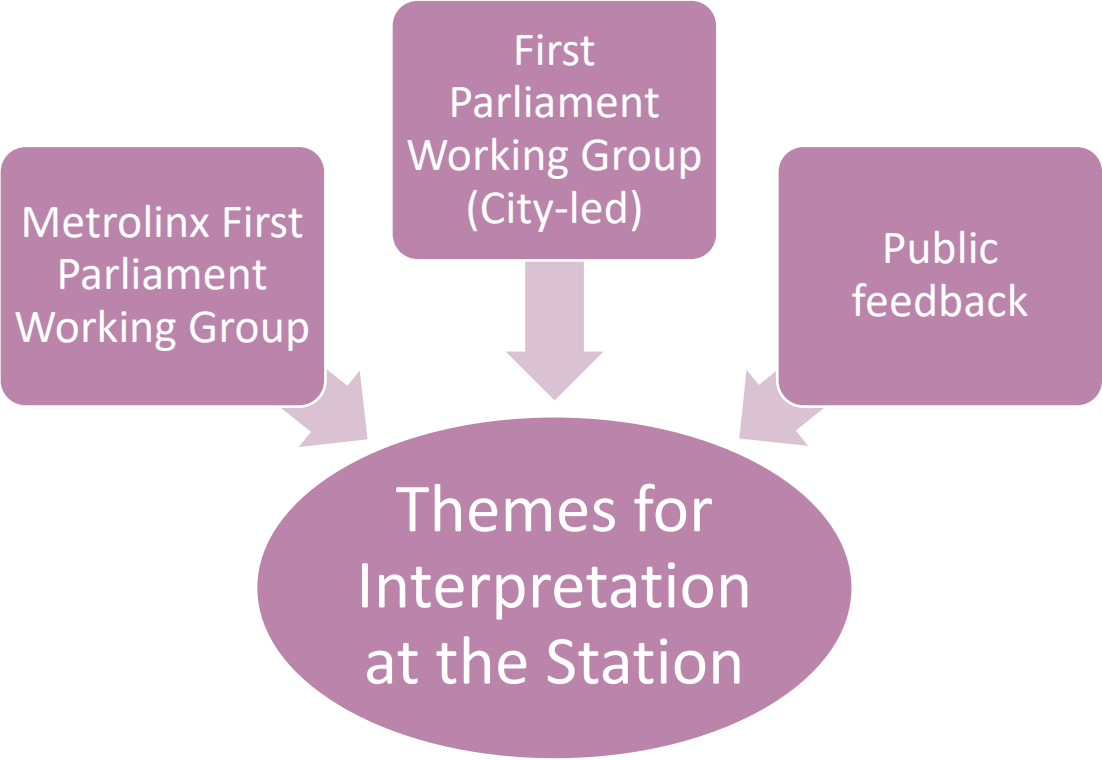


Public review period for Draft Early Works Report closed June 11 2021. Final Early Works Report to be posted July 2021.



# Engagement - Interpretation and Commemoration Plan

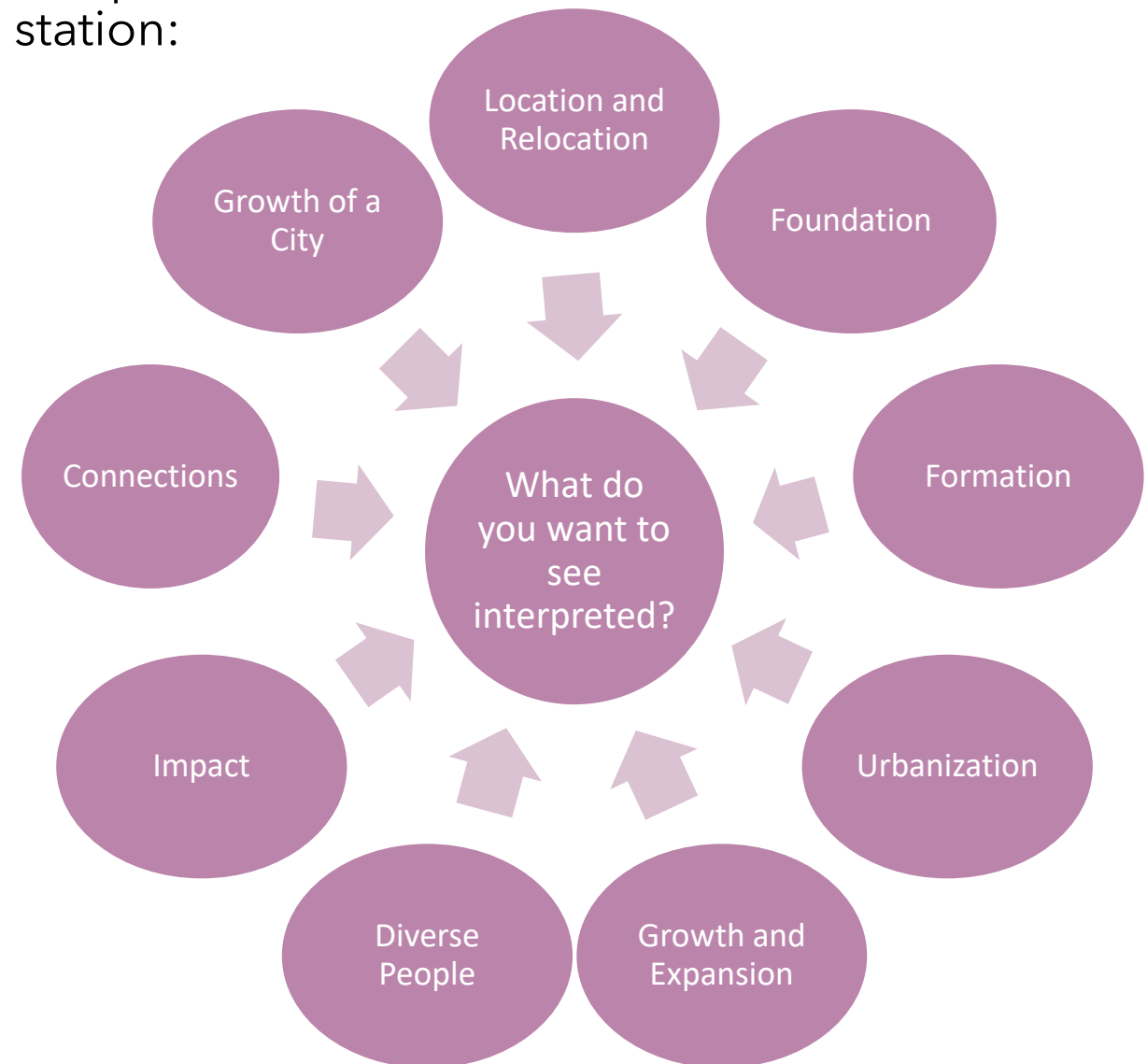
- Metrolinx recognizes the extensive work the City and its partners have completed envisioning a new future for the First Parliament Site.
- In consultation with its partners at Infrastructure Ontario and the Ministry of Transportation, Metrolinx will be working with Indigenous communities, the Ontario Heritage Trust, City of Toronto, community groups and the public to develop an Interpretation and Commemoration Plan for the site.
- The Interpretation and Commemoration Plan will draw upon the *First Parliament Heritage Interpretation Strategy* (2020) and *Master Plan* (pending).



# Engagement - Interpretation and Commemoration Plan

Based on the below themes identified in the City of Toronto's *Heritage Interpretation Strategy* (DTAH 2020), Metrolinx will be seeking your input on how to interpret and commemorate the First Parliament site in a phased approach starting with the station:

- **Theme: A Site of Strategic Importance (Location and Relocation):** A Changing Landscape, A More Suitable Position, Relocation, Relocation, Relocation
- **Theme: Establishing a Seat of Government (Foundation):** Royal Proclamation, Early Parliamentary Proceedings, Systems of Government, Centre of Debate and Decision Making
- **Theme: Planning and Infrastructure (Formation):** Early York, A Permanent Home for Government in Upper Canada, Fire!, Surveying the Land in Upper Canada
- **Theme: Civil Society (Urbanization):** People on the Move, More than Just a Government House, The Home District Gaol, Grassroots Efforts for Rediscovery and Protection
- **Theme: Industry and Commerce (Growth and Expansion):** Early Trade, Banking & Currency, Industrialization, Environmental Legacy
- **Cross-cutting Themes:** Diverse People, Impact, Connections, Growth of the City



# Business & Community Supports

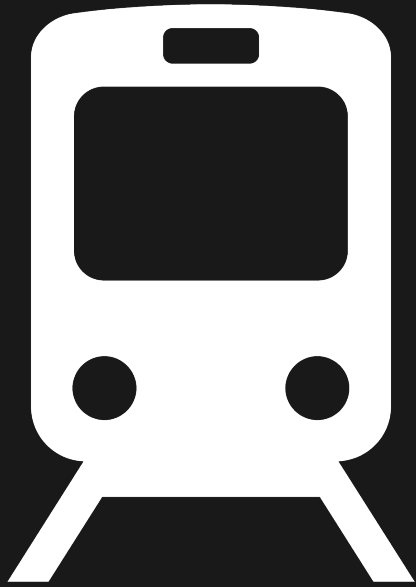


As we cope with the impacts of COVID-19, the Ontario Line will help create local jobs in the near term and more vibrant, healthy communities in the long-term. We are here to support residents and businesses as this project gets built.

Metrolinx is committed to ensuring local businesses stay **accessible, visible and “Open for Business”** throughout construction.

## What's next?

- Regular updates, more virtual events and opportunities to provide feedback and ask questions
- In-person meetings and events when safe and public health restrictions allow for gatherings
- Corktown Station Early Works construction begins Fall 2021 (Final Early Works Report in July 2021)
- Engagement on Corktown & First Parliament Interpretation and Commemoration Plan begins Summer 2021
- Environmental Impact Assessment Report
  - January 2022: Draft report and opportunity for public feedback
  - April 2022: Final report with feedback incorporated



# **Building Transit Faster Act**

## **Designation of Transit Corridor Lands**



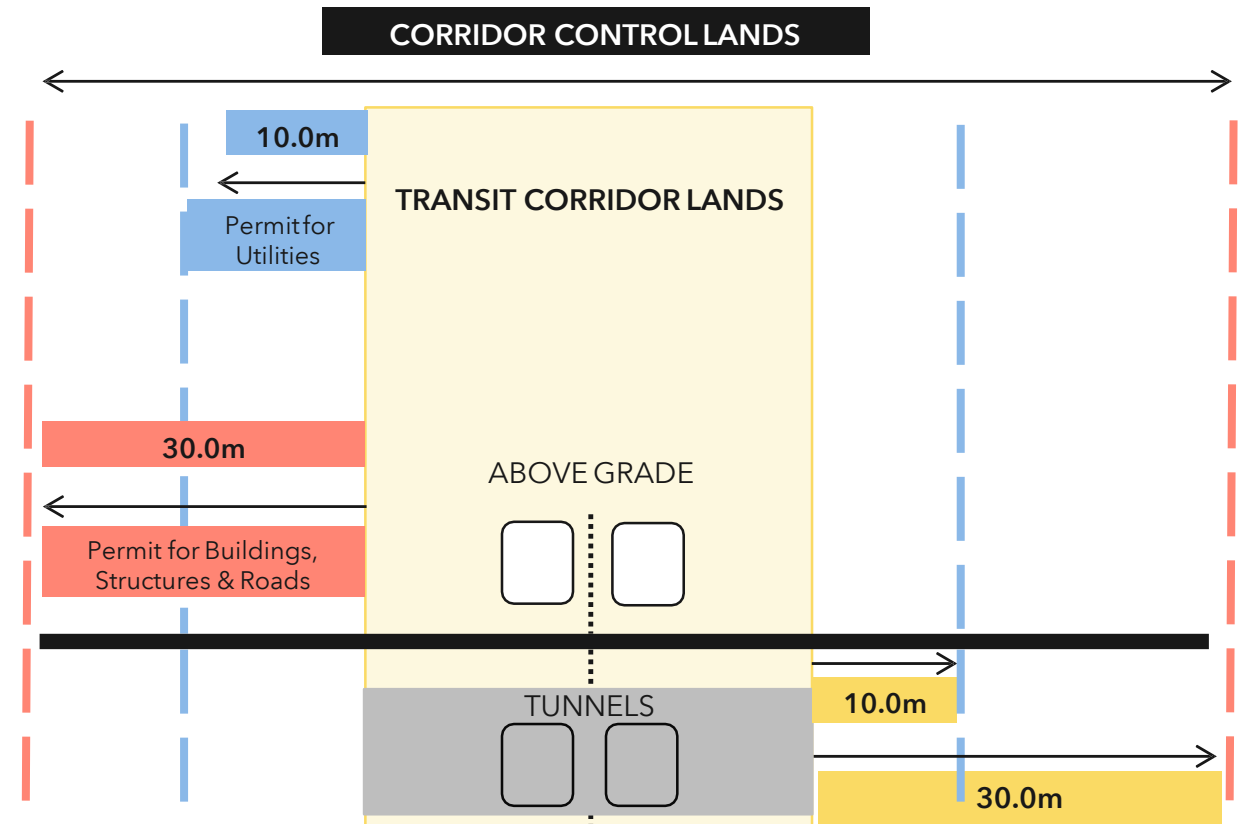
# Transit Corridor Lands

- Building transit in built-up urban areas means working with property owners along proposed transit routes to support the planning, design and construction of important projects.
- Under the *Building Transit Faster Act, 2020*, the Province now allows land that may be needed for transit construction to be designated as transit corridor land. This change will help Metrolinx build transit faster, resulting in fewer inconveniences for neighbouring communities while avoiding issues that have caused delays in the past.
- Transit corridor lands are being identified for priority transit projects.



# Determining Transit Corridor Lands

- The borders for transit corridor lands were set by looking at existing infrastructure in the area, the route and design of the transit line, and how it can be built.
- A 30-metre buffer area was then set around the transit corridor lands to allow for any other needs that could come up during further design and construction work – the same changes that apply to transit corridor lands apply to these buffer areas as well.



## What does this mean for your property?

- Many who own or occupy transit corridor lands will likely experience little to no impacts. For others, it may mean a small change to business as usual.
- If your property is on or within 30 m of transit corridor lands, there will be some changes in the following areas:
  - **Permits required for planned work**
  - **How titles of properties appear in the land registry**
  - **How properties can be accessed for transit planning and construction**

## Getting permits for planned work

**If you are planning to build, change or place a building, other structure or road on or under your property, a permit from Metrolinx may be required.**

- Examples for things that would require a permit include extensions of homes, decks, pools or sheds. Interior renovations would not require a permit.
- Metrolinx permits would be required in addition to (and prior to) any necessary municipal permits; no application fee will be charged for a permit from Metrolinx.

**This new permitting requirement will help avoid conflicts with nearby transit construction and reduce the likelihood that you might have to stop or redo your work in the future.**

- If you are currently undergoing or planning any of these activities, please contact Metrolinx at [development.coordinator@metrolinx.com](mailto:development.coordinator@metrolinx.com) to determine if a permit is necessary.

## Notice on title

**The title of your property will include a notice about it being on or within 30 metres of transit corridor land.**

- This notice will appear on the title of your property in the land registry. Having this notice on title will also help ensure any future owners of the property are aware of the designation.
- This does not restrict or prevent you from renting, leasing or selling your property now or in the future.
- The notice will be in effect during planning and construction, but will be removed once the project is complete.

## **Allowing access for transit planning & construction**

### **Metrolinx may need to visit your property to help prepare transit plans.**

- This could be for inspections, to make records or to conduct tests related to the planning or construction of a transit project.
- Typically, Metrolinx will work with you to negotiate a “permission to enter” agreement, which outlines the details of where, when and how Metrolinx will visit your property.
- If an agreement can’t be reached within project timelines, Metrolinx will schedule a visit providing you are given 30 days advance notice. If this is the case, workers will not enter any homes and will follow all necessary health measures to ensure your safety.

### **The plans Metrolinx prepares may identify a need to remove something that could interfere with construction, such as a shed, tree, or hedge.**

- If this applies to your property, Metrolinx will also give you at least 30 days advance notice. If an object or structure poses an immediate construction safety risk, providing advance notice may not be possible.
- Metrolinx will work with you to come to an agreement on how to best carry out the work, restore property if required and determine compensation.

## How will I know if my property is affected?

- If the property you own or occupy is on transit corridor land or within the 30 metre buffer area, you will be notified by letter.
- If you live in a condo, it is the condo boards who will be notified and asked to share this information through their usual communication channels.
- We will also be asking property owners to notify tenants of this designation through their usual communication channels.
- **Receiving a letter does not necessarily mean your property is needed in any way - it is only to notify you of the designation.**
  - *If your property is needed, you will receive separate letters outlining what is needed in more detail.*



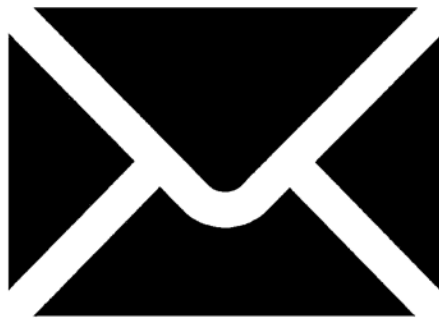
## Learn more

Visit **Metrolinx.com/Property** to learn more about property and transit corridor lands.

## Contact us

Your feedback is vital in helping us to move the Ontario Line forward in a way that strengthens the community. We are grateful for your input.

To stay up to date on upcoming virtual events and the latest Ontario Line news, sign up for our e-newsletter at [Metrolinx.com/OntarioLine](https://metrolinx.com/OntarioLine).



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