

Davenport Diamond Greenway LIVE - December 13, 2021



Davenport Greenway Virtual Open House



Call-In With Your Question

As we continue to evolve the virtual engagement format, we are adding a call-in option for tonight's event. To ask your question by voice, [join the Zoom meeting here](#). We aim to keep each question and subsequent answer to 3 minutes allowing for as many call-in questions as possible.

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Agenda

6:30PM - 7:00PM: Project Update

7:00PM - 7:30PM: Questions and Answers to Pre-Submitted Questions

7:30PM - 8:00PM: Call-in Questions

Presentation Materials

[The Davenport Diamond Greenway - Presentation PDF →](#)

Meet the Speakers



Susan Walsh
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Director, Community Engagement Lead, Maximum City

Format & Accessibility

Questions will be answered based on popularity (total votes). We aim to answer all questions.

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What will it look and sound like from Davenport village park?

Anonymous
Dec 4, 2021 - 00:56

None of the renderings show this area.
What will prevent residents from constant train noise?

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Answer

Metrolinx
Dec 17, 2021 - 16:00

Rail work is part of the grade separation not the Public Realm project. Noise from passing trains will be being mitigated by new noise walls on the east and west sides of the rail corridor. In terms of the view to the new rail infrastructure from Davenport Village Park the combination of the Guideway sloping down to grade as it passes over the CP Rail Corridor, and the rise in the ground plain as it approaches Davenport Road, will minimize any visual impacts. As the detailed design progresses there will be renderings illustrating the views from Davenport Village Park.

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Potential for use of expropriation for Antler-Lappin connection

Anonymous
Dec 13, 2021 - 18:57

If the owner of the parking lot on the east side of Antler-Lappin doesn't want to work with the city to create an access point, will the City or Metrolinx consider expropriating the property needed to establish this key connection that will unlock access to the Greenway, Campbell Park, and fluid movement for everyone in the area? If not, why not?

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Answer

Metrolinx
Dec 17, 2021 - 16:05

The City has tools at their disposal: an easement or a site review process that would include a Lappin Avenue connection for any proposed development on the property in the future. Metrolinx is committed to designing the multi use path and Antler connection in a way that will seamlessly connect to a future pedestrian pathway at Lappin, be it a City-initiated easement or Site Plan requirement for this connection.

Metrolinx will not be acquiring additional private properties to make this connection. Once the multi-use trail is complete there will be opportunities along the east side of the rail corridor for connections to private properties and adjacent streets. Metrolinx can only expropriate land required for the construction of new transit infrastructure.

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Graffiti

Anonymous
Dec 11, 2021 - 21:49

How will Metrolinx keep the path from having graffiti on every surface. They haven't prevented this from happening on the Toronto Railpath and Go Train sound barrier walls.
I would suggest strong and hardy evergreen foliage, plants and trees. I look forward to hearing your plans.

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jan 12, 2022 - 16:22

The Metrolinx standard graffiti management strategy is to apply a pigmented coating to vulnerable surfaces. This is in line with the standard practices used by municipalities and transit agencies across North America. Graffiti would be overpainted with a colour-matched coating as part of the ongoing maintenance of the guideway. These coatings have been considered and have become an integral part of the design concepts for the Guideway project.

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Status of community benefits other than Antler Lappin?

Anonymous
Dec 13, 2021 - 16:09

After the Antler-Lappin connection was dropped from boards, there has been some confusion about which benefits are actually confirmed. According to a letter from MPP Stiles, in a recent meeting between MPP Stiles and MX CEO Phil Verster, MX committed to producing a deck about confirmed community benefits. Can you update us on the status of this?

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jan 12, 2022 - 16:27

The live virtual engagement held on December 13, 2021 highlighted some of the community benefits that are currently being designed by our consultants. There are also other features along the Guideway which are currently being developed. When this material is ready it will be shared with the community.

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Is a solid wall being built at level crossing west of Ward St?

Anonymous
Dec 13, 2021 - 17:32

The structure is on the south side of the crossing. This is a busy part of the street. If it is a solid wall, are there plans to make it more attractive?

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Pigeons

Anonymous

Dec 13, 2021 - 19:11

One scourge of public spaces is the guano created by pigeons. It looks like every column will create a roost for pigeons who will soil the columns, damage the soil at the bottom of the columns and potentially pollute the seating areas. Please tell us that you will solve this BEFORE things get built.

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Recent steps toward complete the Antler-Lappin connection?

Anonymous

Dec 13, 2021 - 16:01

The community was disappointed to see the Antler-Lappin foot connection dropped from boards without explanation. Both MPP Stiles and Deputy Mayor Bailao have written to Metrolinx to encourage you to move forward with this. What steps have you taken in the last two months to ensure that this connection is built?

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Reply

Metrolinx

Jan 12, 2022 - 16:23

Metrolinx is committed to designing the multi-use trail and Antler connection in a way that will seamlessly connect to a future pedestrian pathway at Lappin. Metrolinx will also work with interested third parties as the connection must be initiated either through a City-initiated easement or Site Plan requirement.

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Overnight noise?

Anonymous

Dec 13, 2021 - 16:11

Is there an expectation that this project will require overnight construction?

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Answer

Metrolinx

Jan 12, 2022 - 16:21

Overnight work is not anticipated for the Davenport Diamond Greenway project.

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