

# Finch West LRT Project Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)

July 2023



# AGENDA

- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Safety Moment**
- **Land Acknowledgement**
- **Previous Minutes and Action Items**
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- **Communications and Community Engagement**



**Safety Moment**

# **Land Acknowledgement**



# METROLINX LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Let us take a moment to acknowledge we are on lands that have been, and continue to be, home to many Indigenous Peoples including the Anishnabeg, the Haudenosaunee and the Huron-Wendat peoples.

We are all Treaty people. Many of us have come here as settlers, as immigrants or involuntarily as part of the trans-Atlantic slave trade, in this generation, or generations past.

We acknowledge the historic and continued impacts of colonization and the need to work towards meaningful reconciliation with the original caretakers of this land.

We acknowledge that Metrolinx operates on territories and lands covered by many treaties that affirm and value the rights of Indigenous communities, Nations and Peoples.

We understand the importance of working towards reconciliation with the original caretakers of this land. At Metrolinx, we will conduct business in a manner that is built on a foundation of trust, respect and collaboration.

# **Review of Previous June 6, 2023 CLC Minutes and Action Items**

## SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS CLC MEETING ACTION ITEMS

- No Action items

# Important Milestones



# IMPORTANT MILESTONES

- Permanent traffic signal energization started with Sentinel Drive intersection



Photo: Permanent traffic signals at Sentinel Drive and Finch Avenue West, 2023.06.26

# Finch West Station

# FINCH WEST STATION

- Structural and masonry works are completed
- Guideway works including track slab and rail completed
- Exterior aluminum cladding is almost complete
- Curtain walls are on the final stage
- Interior architectural finishes are ongoing
- Informative sign and lighting features installation started in multiple areas
- Elevators and escalators installation continue
- Mechanical, electrical and plumbing continue
- Systems panels/racks/devices installations continue



Photo: Finch Station platform, 2023.06.26

# **Keele Street to York Gate Boulevard**



## KEELE STREET TO JANE STREET

- Guideway is complete
- Curbs, sidewalks, bike lanes, and road works are almost complete with two lanes in each direction
- All stops' platform, cabinet and canopies are complete, and furniture and devices are being installed
- Sentinel intersection boulevard works are almost completed, permanent traffic signals to be activated, Driftwood Avenue and Tobermory Drive intersections to follow
- Final utility and road works at Keele Street intersection is ongoing. Traffic will be shifted to the north after road works on the south-west side of the intersection, expected mid July
- Field modifications may occur to complete work safely and minimize impact on the public
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
- Community members will be notified of any significant construction-related impacts, separately



Photo: Sentinel stop east. 2023.06.26

# **Maintenance and Storage Facility**

# MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE FACILITY

- Interior and exterior building envelope complete
- Systems testing is ongoing
- Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) delivery completed
- LRV testing is ongoing on the guideway and inside the facility



Photo: Aerial west view of Maintenance and Storage Facility yard. 2023.06.26

**York Gate Boulevard to Weston Road**



# JANE STREET TO WESTON ROAD

## Jane Street to Norfinch Drive

- Guideway works are complete in this area
- Jane Street and Norfinch Drive boulevard works continue, expected to be completed by mid to late July
- North and south boulevard works between Jane Street and Norfinch Drive is ongoing
- Norfinch stop canopies are installed
- Permanent traffic lights are installed on the east ramps of Highway 400 intersections, and will be installed at York Gate intersection in July
- Final dry utility works continue



Photo: Aerial west view of Finch Avenue West and Norfinch Drive. 2023.06.26



# YORK GATE BOULEVARD TO WESTON ROAD

## Norfinch Drive to Weston Road

- Wet and dry utility relocation is almost complete
- Guideway duct bank and track slab pours completed
- Rail installation is ongoing between Norfinch Drive and Weston Road starting from the east
- Signet stop canopies are installed on the eastbound platform, westbound to be installed early July
- Signet Drive boulevard works are ongoing
- Boulevard works and landscaping works to be resumed in July between Highway 400 and Signet Drive
- Field modifications may occur to complete work safely and minimize impact on the public
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and detour signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
- Community members will be notified of any significant construction-related impacts, separately
- Occasional night work occurs from 6 pm - 7 am



Photo: Aerial east view of Finch Avenue West, Signet Drive and Arrow Road. 2023.06.26

**Weston Road to Highway 27**



# WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

## Weston Road to Jayzel Drive

- Utility works continue between Weston Road to Jayzel Drive and planned to be completed by late July, followed by guideway works
- Weston Road intersection guideway works are scheduled to start in July from east side of the intersection
- Weston intersection guideway concrete works expected to be completed early September
- Weston Road stops concrete works are scheduled to be completed in August



Photo: Aerial east view of Finch Avenue West and Weston Road 2023.06.26



## WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

### Jayzel Drive to Islington Avenue

- North and south road widening is almost finished, with curbs and sidewalk works continuing
- Duct banks and track slab completed, rail installation and OCS stringing continue in this area
- Wet and dry utility relocation continues in multiple areas
- Milvan stop westbound platform concrete works completed while eastbound platform continue
- Duncanwoods stop eastbound and westbound canopies installed
- Pearldale stop platform concrete works started
- Rolling traffic plans are in place for this area



Photo: West view of Finch Avenue West and Duncanwoods stop. 2023.06.26

# WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

## Islington Avenue Intersection

- Bridge rehabilitation started in April 2021, and is almost complete
- Rail installation for the bridge completed
- Traffic signal works will be started in this intersection in July
- Islington stop westbound and eastbound platform concrete works completed, and canopies installed,
- Line marking and signs were reviewed and repainted



Photo: Aerial southeast view of Finch Avenue West and Islington Avenue. 2023.06.26



## WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

### Islington Avenue to Kipling Avenue

- North widening, sidewalk and curbs are almost complete
- South widening started mid June, south sidewalk and curbs to follow
- Guideway works including excavation, duct bank, track slab, OCS bases and poles are almost complete while rail installation is ongoing
- Kipling stop's concrete platform on the east side of Kipling has been completed, canopies to follow



Photo: Aerial east view of Finch Avenue West from Kipling Avenue. 2023.06.26



## WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

### Kipling Avenue to Martin Grove Road

- Guideway works between Kipling Avenue and Highway 27 are almost complete, rail installations continues
- Rail installations, radius curbs, and widenings at intersections are on going
- Stevenson, Albion westbound and Martin Grove stop's concrete pours are complete, Albion eastbound to follow
- Stevenson and Martin Grove stop canopies installed. Albion stop canopies installation to follow
- Remaining widenings, curbs and sidewalks are ongoing between Kipling Avenue to Martin Grove Road on both sides
- Noise walls on the east side of Kipling Avenue completed



Photo: Aerial west view of Finch Avenue West and Albion Road. 2023.06.26



# WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

## Martin Grove Road to Highway 27

- Between Martin Grove Road to Humber College Station guideway works are complete
- Telecom, streetlight, and traffic light works continue in multiple locations, with minimal impacts to traffic
- Remaining boulevard works including widening, curbs, landscaping, sidewalks, and bike lanes continue for the area and at all intersections
- Westmore stop canopies are installed
- Field modifications may occur to complete work safely and minimize impact on the public
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
- Community members will be notified of any significant construction-related impacts separately



Photo: Aerial west view Humber College portal, Finch Avenue West and Highway 27. 2023.06.26

# Humber College Station



# HUMBER COLLEGE STATION

## Highway 27 to Humber College Boulevard

- All structural, masonry, track slab and duct banks are complete while rail and OCS works are ongoing
- Aluminum cladding and curtain walls are almost complete
- Parking paving and curbs ongoing for final stages
- Covered walkway canopies installation and landscaping are ongoing
- Architectural finishes, signs, lighting and elevator work is ongoing
- Mechanical, electrical, and plumbing work ongoing
- Systems panels/racks/devices installations continue
- Humber College Boulevard intersection road works continue and will be followed by paving on the west side of Highway 27 between Finch Avenue West and Humber College Boulevard



Photo: Humber College Station, Aerial east view. 2023.06.26

# Light Rail Vehicle Testing

# LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE TESTING

- All vehicles have been received
- Last LRV was delivered on June 27, 2023
- Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) testing continue in “Burn-in” area
- Signs are installed to keep residents informed about road closures
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and detour signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
- Notices will be shared, and Community members will be notified of related impacts



*Photo: The 18<sup>th</sup> Light Rail Vehicle arrives at the Maintenance and Storage Facility. 2023.06.28*

# **Communications and Community Engagement**



# COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## Completed

- Awards Ceremony United Brotherhood of Carpenters District – June 10, 2023
- Community Benefits Roundtable Series Webinar - June 13, 2023
- Internship Graduation Event – June 28, 2023
- Duke Eats Event – June 30, 2023
- Refuge Expo: Celebration of Culture and Creativity! - June 19<sup>th</sup>
- Traffic Safety Campaign – June 26 to July 9



Photo: Traffic Safety Campaign



Photo: United Brotherhood of Carpenters District Awards June 11



# COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## Upcoming

- Employment information Sessions – Employment and Social Services – City of Toronto – July TBD
- Employment Information Session – Jumpstart Refugee Talent – July 20, 2023
- Speed Mentoring Annual Event, NextGen Builders – August 26, 2023
- Community Benefits Summit, Panelist – October 28, 2023
- FWLRT alignment tours - Pre-apprentices – Fall - TBD
- Ongoing construction progress stories and social media posts



Photo: Speed Mentoring NextGen Builders 2022



Photo: Pre-apprentice tour 2022

# KEEPING YOU INFORMED

## Communication Methods

- Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)
- Emails to Mailing List, Weekly E-Newsletter, Project Website Updates
- Construction Notices
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)
- Metrolinx News Blog
- Social media - Geo-targeting
- Community Project Updates through brochure , Quarterly Newsletters and postcards
- Wayfinding and Signage
- Billboards

## Engagement Tools

- Virtual Open House via Metrolinx Engage
- Working or Advisory Group Meetings
- Business Liaison
- Public Meetings



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# NEXT CLC MEETING

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 1, 2023,  
via Microsoft Teams.



**Thank you and Stay Safe**

