

# Finch West LRT Project Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)

August 2023



# AGENDA

- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Safety Moment**
- **Land Acknowledgement**
- **Previous Minutes and Action Items**
- **Important Milestones**
- **Work Update**
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  - Keele Street to York Gate Boulevard
  - Maintenance and Storage Facility and Light Rail Vehicle Testing
  - York Gate Boulevard to Weston Road
  - Weston Road to Highway 27
  - Humber College Station
- **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

- Ramps over guideway around Kipling Avenue intersection
  - Concern communicated with traffic and construction team
  - Construction team to expedite related work to remove these ramps
  - Traffic team to add signage for speed reduction and to inform drivers

# **Important Milestones**



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- Permanent traffic signal energization completion in multiple intersections



Photo: Permanent traffic signals at Driftwood 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 facades are almost complete
- Landscaping has been started
- Interior architectural finishes are ongoing
- Informative sign and lighting features installation continue
- Elevators and escalators installation continue
- Mechanical, electrical and plumbing continue
- Systems panels/racks/devices installations continue



Photo: Finch West Station, 2023.06.26

**Keele Street to York Gate Boulevard**



## KEELE STREET TO JANE STREET

- Guideway works are complete
- Sidewalks and road works are almost complete
- Stops' platform, cabinet and canopies are complete
- Permanent traffic signals are being installed and activated
- Roadworks between Romfield and Keele Street continue
- Final boulevard works and widening at the intersections continue



Photo: Romfield Drive and Finch Avenue West, 2023.06.26

# **Maintenance and Storage Facility and Light Rail Vehicle Testing**

# MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE FACILITY AND LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE TESTING

- Interior and exterior building envelope complete
- Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) delivery completed
- Systems testing and commissioning continues
- 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

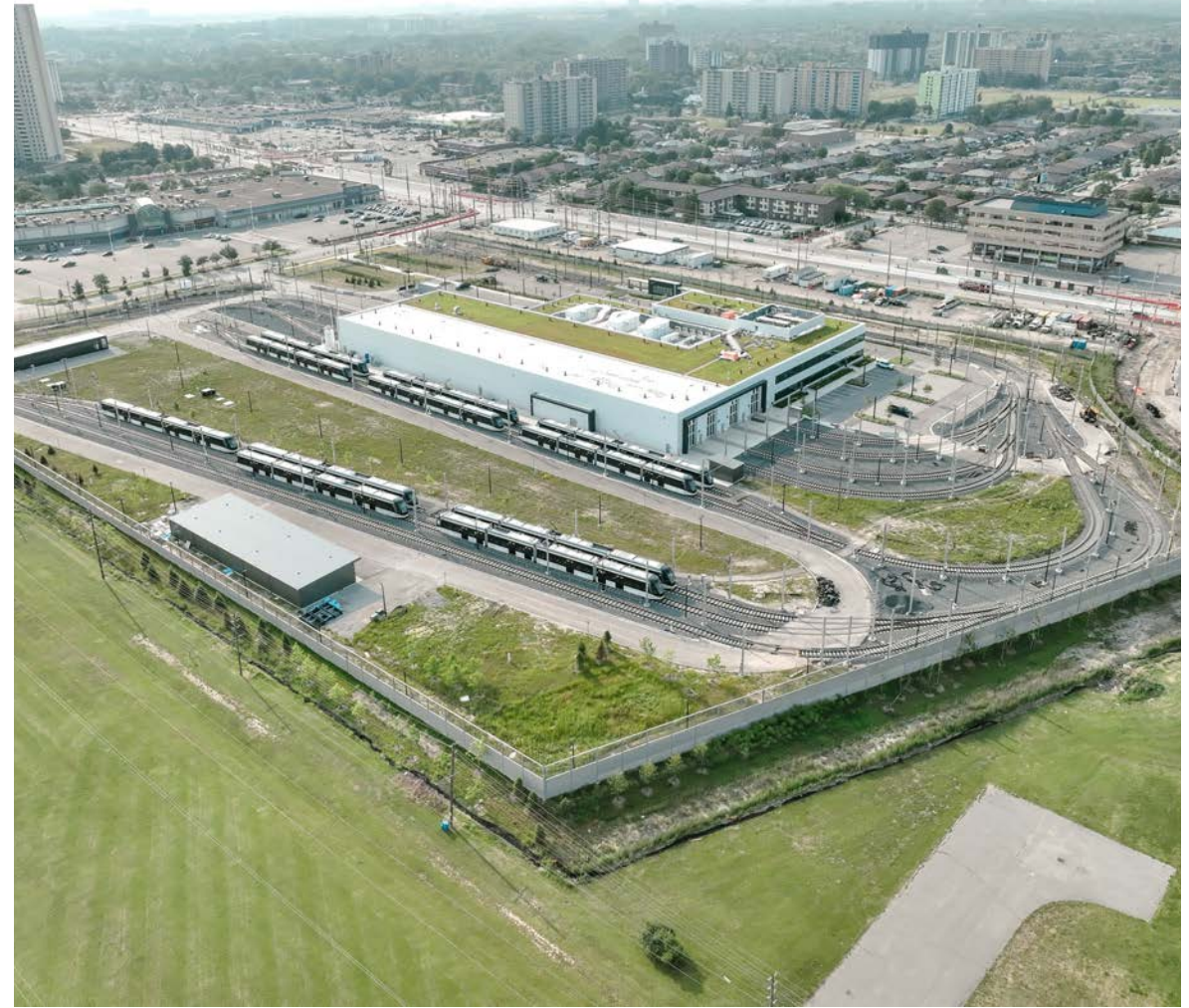


Photo: Aerial southeast view of Maintenance and Storage Facility yard. 2023.06.26

**York Gate Boulevard to Weston Road**



# JANE STREET TO WESTON ROAD

## Jane Street to Norfinch Drive

- Guideway works are completed
- Jane and Norfinch Stops canopies are installed
- Final road works and landscaping are ongoing
- Highway 400 and York Gate intersection's permanent traffic signals are installed
- Final dry utility works continue with minor impacts to the traffic



Photo: Aerial east view of Finch Avenue West and York Gate Boulevard. 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, Weston intersection to follow
- Rail installation is ongoing
- Signet stop canopies are installed
- Final road and boulevard works are ongoing



Photo: Aerial west view of Finch Avenue West and Highway 400. 2023.06.26

**Weston Road to Highway 27**



# WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

## Weston Road to Jayzel Drive

- Utility works is almost completed
- Weston Road intersection guideway works to be started from west 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
- Guideway works has been started with concrete pours from west of Weston towards Jayzel Drive
- Rolling traffic plans in place



Photo: Aerial east view of Finch Avenue West and CP Bridge. 2023.06.26



## WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

### Jayzel Drive to Islington Avenue

- Final wet and dry utility relocation continues in some areas
- 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
- Milvan stop's eastbound concrete platform is completed, westbound to be completed in coming weeks
- Duncanwoods stops canopies installation completed
- Pearldale stop platform concrete works is almost completed
- Rolling traffic plans are in place for this area



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



# WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

## Islington Avenue Intersection

- Bridge rehabilitation completed
- Rail installation for the bridge completed
- Islington stops canopies installed
- Permanent traffic signals and final radius curb works started

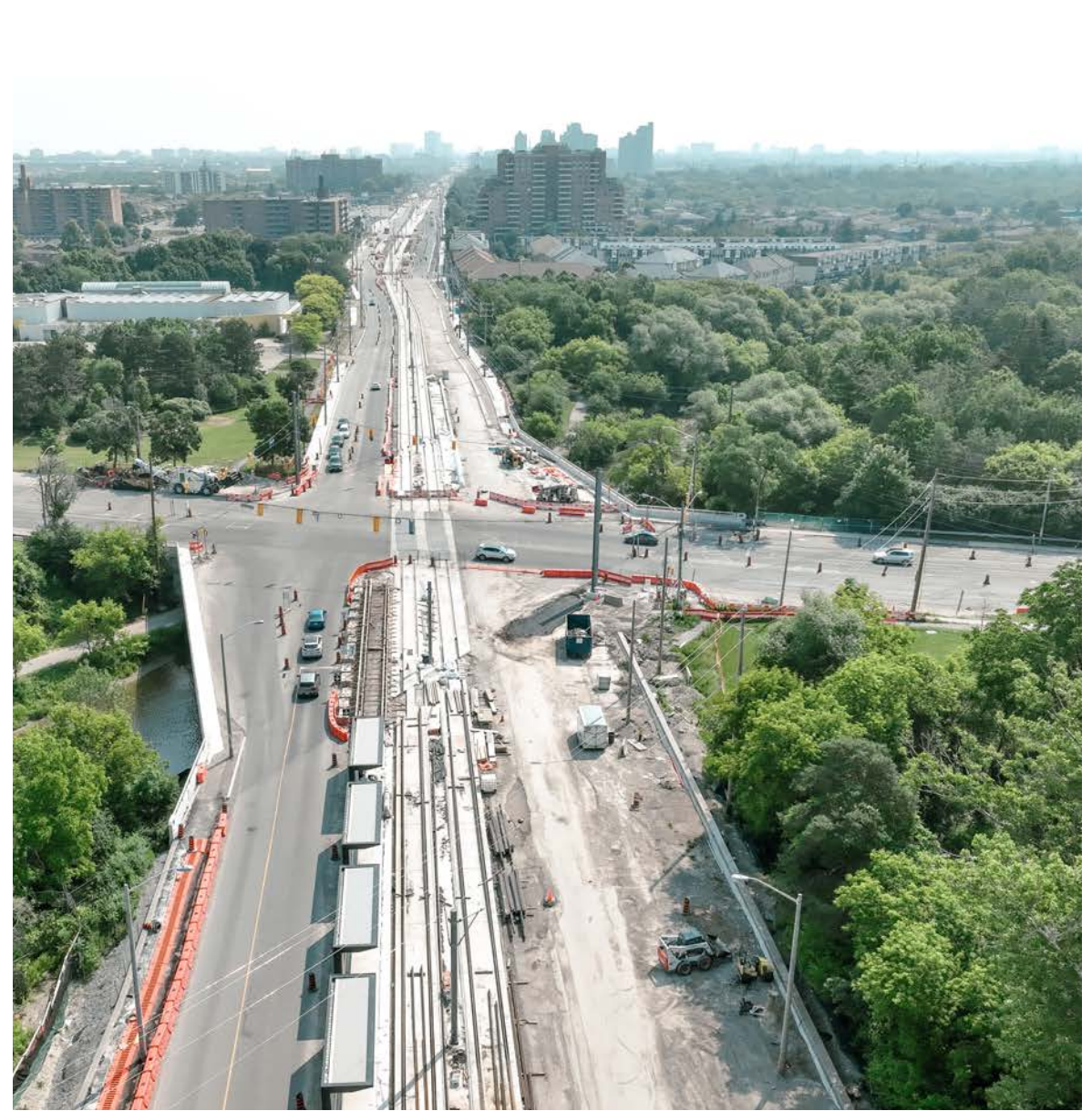


Photo: Aerial east view of Finch Avenue West and Islington Avenue. 2023.06.26



## WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

### Islington Avenue to Kipling Avenue

- Guideway works including excavation, duct bank, track slab, OCS bases and poles are almost completed
- Rail installation is ongoing
- North widening, sidewalk and curbs are almost complete
- South widening ongoing
- Kipling stops concrete platform completed
- Kipling stops canopies installation completed



Photo: Aerial east view of Finch Avenue West and 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 completed, rail installations continues
- Stevenson, Albion, and Martin Grove stop's concrete pours are completed
- Stevenson and Martin Grove stop canopies installation completed
- Albion stop canopies installation is started and will be completed in coming weeks
- Final radius curbs, and widenings at intersections continue
- Noise walls on the east side of Kipling Avenue completed



Photo: Aerial east view of Finch Avenue West and Martin Grove 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 completed
- Westmore stops canopies installation are completed
- 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



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

# Humber College Station

# HUMBER COLLEGE STATION

## Highway 27 to Humber College Boulevard

- Structural and masonry works are completed
- Internal and external finishes are almost completed
- Guideway track slab completed, rail installation to be completed end of this month
- Informative sign and lighting features installation continue
- Elevator installations and staircase finishes continue
- Systems, mechanical, electrical and plumbing works continue
- Parking paving, curbs, walkway canopies, light poles, and landscaping ongoing
- 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



Photo: Humber College Station, Aerial east view. 2023.06.26

# **Communications and Community Engagement**



# COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## Completed

- DUKE Heights BIA 2023 DUKE Eats event at Fountainhead Park – June 30
- Employment Information Session – Jumpstart Refugee Talent– July 20
- Employer Engagement – York University – July 27
- LRV safety campaign - reminding drivers and pedestrians that testing is ongoing and LRVs can pass by anytime



Photo: Traffic Safety Campaign



Photo: The community enjoys the day at DUKE Heights BIA 2023 DUKE Eats event at Fountainhead Park.

# COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## Upcoming

- Speed Mentoring Annual Event, NextGen Builders – August 26
- Employment information Session-York University – October 3
- Community Benefits Summit, Panelist – October 28
- 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, September 5, 2023,  
via Microsoft Teams.





**Thank you and Stay Safe**

