

# Finch West LRT Project Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)

October 2023



#### **AGENDA**

- Welcome and Introductions
- Safety Moment
- Land Acknowledgement
- Previous Minutes and Action Items
- Important Milestones
- Work Update
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  - 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 CLC Minutes and Action Items

#### **SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS CLC MEETING ACTION ITEMS**

No Action items

## **Important Milestones**

#### **IMPORTANT MILESTONES**

- Track Slab completion
- Rail Installation completion
- At-Grade Stops concrete works completion
- Humber Collage parking lot final paving
- Commencing final paving on Finch West Avenue
  - Islington to Pearldale final paving on the south side
- Installation of permanent traffic signals at Romfield, Sentinel, Black Creek, Tobermory, Driftwood, Jane, York Gate, Highway 400 northbound off-ramp, Signet, Duncanwoods, Pearldale, Martin Grove, John Garland, and Westmore intersections



Photo: Humber College station, Southeast view. 2023.09.20

### **Finch West Station**

#### **FINCH WEST STATION**

- Structural and masonry works are complete
- Guideway works including track slab, rail, and OCS works completed
- Exterior and interior facades are complete
- Interior architectural finishes are almost complete
- Escalators installations are almost complete
- Mechanical, electrical and plumbing are complete
- Elevators installations are ongoing
- Hardscaping and landscaping is ongoing
- Informative signage and lighting features installations continue
- Systems panels/racks/devices installations continue



Photo: Finch West station, Aerial northwest view. 2023.09.20

### **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 installed and activated
- Final paving works will be started from Romfield Drive towards west all the way to Jane Street
- Roadworks between Romfield and Tangiers Road continue
- Crews are working between Romfield and Tangiers on:
  - Road widening
  - (BIA), traffic lights, and other dry utilities,
  - Toe walls,
  - Hardscaping and paving
- Rolling traffic plans in place

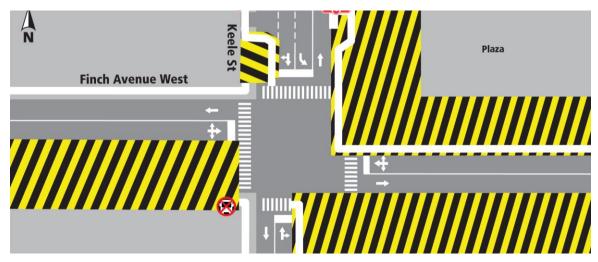


Illustration (not to scale): Keele Street to Tangiers Road on Finch Avenue West.

# 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 continues in "Burn-in" area



Photo: Maintenance and Storage Facility yard, Aerial southeast view. 2023.08.20

### York Gate Boulevard to Weston Road

#### JANE STREET TO WESTON ROAD

#### Jane Street to Norfinch Drive

- Guideway works are complete
- Jane and Norfinch Stops' canopies are installed
- Jane and York Gate permanent traffic signals installed
- Final boulevard works and widening at intersections continue and planned to be completed in October



Photo: Finch Avenue West and York Gate Boulevard, Aerial west view. 2023.09.20

#### YORK GATE BOULEVARD TO WESTON ROAD

#### **Norfinch Drive to Weston Road**

- Wet and dry utility relocation is almost complete
- Norfinch and Signet stop canopies are installed
- Boulevard works continue in Signet and Norfinch intersections
- Signet southwest corner is paved, and intersection is now open, permanent traffic signals installed and activated, Norfinch intersection to follow
- Signet intersection will be closed during the weekend between October 13<sup>th</sup> to October 16<sup>th</sup> for rail alignment
- Hardscaping is being finalized for remaining areas
- Rolling traffic plans in place



Illustration (not to scale): Norfinch Drive and Oakdale Road at Finch Avenue West.



Illustration (not to scale): Signet Drive and Arrow Road at Finch Avenue West.

## **Weston Road to Highway 27**

#### **Weston Road to Jayzel Drive**

- Utility works are almost complete
- Guideway including Track Slab and Rails completed
- Weston Road stops' concrete works completed
- Weston Road stops' canopies to be installed early October
- Intersection widening on the southeast corner continues, south paving between Weston to Signet to be done this week
- Eastbound traffic will be shifted to the south side until rail alignment completion in Signet and on the week of October 16<sup>th</sup>, all traffic will be shifted to south
- Rolling traffic plans in place



Illustration (not to scale): Weston Road and Finch Avenue West.

#### **Jayzel Drive to Islington Avenue**

- Wet and dry utility relocation is almost completed
- Duct banks, track slab and rail installation completed
- All stops concrete works completed
- All stops canopies installation completed
- North and south road widening, curbs and sidewalk works are almost finished
- Hardscaping is being finalized for remaining areas
- Final paving for the area between Islington to Pearldale on the south side completed, north side to be paved late October, early November
- More areas to be paved toward east
- Rolling traffic plans are in place for this area



Photo: Finch Avenue West and Pearldale Avenue, Aerial west view. 2023.09.20

#### **Islington Avenue Intersection**

- Bridge rehabilitation completed
- Rail installation for the bridge completed
- Islington stops' canopies installed
- Interaction works on northwest and southeast corner completed
- Final paving for the area between Kipling and Islington on the north side planned for early November
- Permanent traffic signals and final radius curb works continue



Photo: Finch Avenue West and Islington Avenue, Aerial west view. 2023.09.20

#### **Islington Avenue to Kipling Avenue**

- Guideway works including track slab, Rail installation, OCS bases and poles are almost completed
- Hardscaping and intersections' widening are being finalized for remaining areas
- All stops' canopies installation completed

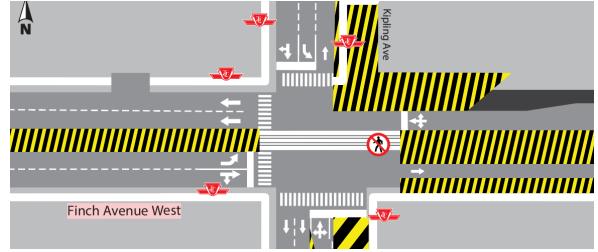


Illustration (not to scale): Kipling Avenue and Finch Avenue West.



Illustration (not to scale): Albion Road and Finch Avenue West.

#### **Kipling Avenue to Martin Grove Road**

- Guideway works including track slab and rails between Kipling Avenue and Highway 27 are almost completed
- All stops' canopies installations completed
- Noise wall installation east of Kipling Avenue completed
- Hardscaping and intersections' widening are being finalized for remaining areas



Photo: Finch Avenue West and Albion Road, Aerial east view. 2023.09.20

#### **Martin Grove Road to Highway 27**

- Between Martin Grove Road to Humber College station guideway works are completed
- All stops' canopy installations are completed
- Humber College Boulevard works completed
- Telecom, streetlight, and traffic light works continue in multiple locations, with minimal impacts to traffic
- Hardscaping and intersections widening are being finalized for remaining areas
- Final paving for the area between Westmore and Martin Grove on the north side planned for late October



Photo: Finch Avenue West and Highway 27, Aerial southwest view. 2023.09.20

# **Humber College Station**

#### **HUMBER COLLEGE STATION**

#### **Highway 27 to Humber College Boulevard**

- Structural and masonry works are complete
- Parking paving and portal safety fences are complete
- Internal and external architectural finishes are complete
- Elevator installations and staircases are almost complete
- Informative signs and lighting features installation is completed
- Guideway track slab and rail installation completed
- Mechanical, electrical and plumbing works completed
- Systems panels/racks/devices installations continue
- Final hardscaping 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 northwest view. 2023.09.20

# Communications and Community Engagement

### COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

#### **Activities Completed**

- Community Benefits Tour September 11, 2023
- Supercilious Event DUKE Heights BIA -September 17, 2023
- Rail Safety Week September 18 to 24, Safety Campaign
- Ongoing construction progress stories and social media posts







Photo: Metrolinx Community Benefits Tour, Finch West LRT.



Photo: Traffic Safety Campaign.

### COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

#### **Upcoming**

- Q3 Newsletter to be delivered to homes in October
- Employment Information Session and Networking Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> at York University
- Community Benefits Summit Panel Presentation of Community Benefits portfolio of project - October 28th
- Employment Information Sessions
- Skills for Change October 2nd
- Toronto Neighbourhood Office October 13th
- Tropicana October 16th
- Labour Education Session October 17th



Photo: Q3 Project Newsletter 2023.

#### COMMUNICATION AND **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

- The Maintenance period of the Finch West LRT has begun recruiting for positions at the Maintenance and Storage Facility.
- Job seekers can submit their resumes to: Mr. Thilan Abeyaratne, tabeyaratne@mtmgp.ca or Mr. Edorta Fernandez, eiglesias@mtmgp.ca

#### Finch West LRT

#### Job opportunities through community benefits









#### **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

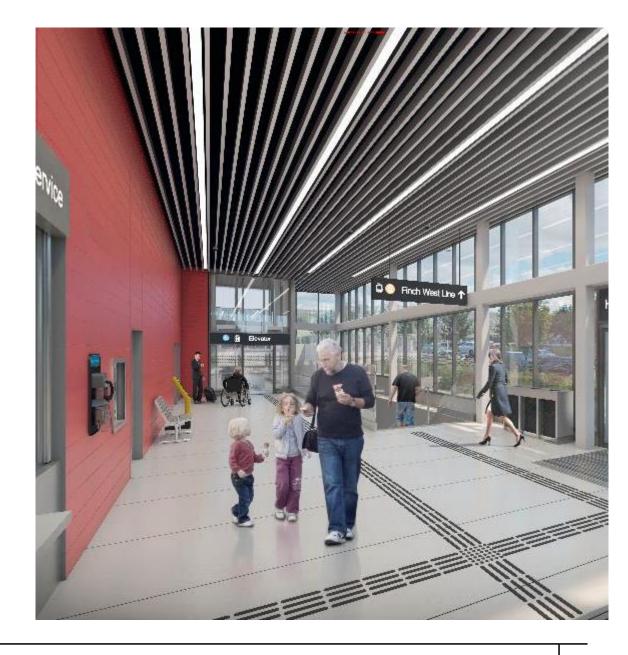


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**Questions or comments:** <u>TorontoWest@metrolinx.com</u>, @FinchWestLRT, 416-202-6500

#### **NEXT CLC MEETING**

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, via Microsoft Teams.



# Thank you and Stay Safe

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