# Virtual Open House

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 PM







#### Land Acknowledgement

Metrolinx acknowledges that we connect communities by building and operating transit within the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunee and the Huron-Wendat peoples, for whom these lands continue to have great importance.

Treaties between First Nations and governments cover these lands, and the promises contained in these Treaties remain relevant to this day.

Metrolinx and its employees are committed to understanding the history of these lands and the continued impacts of colonization and take responsibility for actions to advance reconciliation.

Metrolinx will continue to seek the knowledge, expertise and experience of Indigenous partners and commits to doing business in a manner that is built on a foundation of trust, respect, and collaboration.

#### METROLINX

#### Hamilton LRT: Virtual Information Session

# Agenda

### Session Guidelines

- Presenters
- Overview
- Project Updates
- Stay Connected
- Q&A





### **Session Guidelines**

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Submit your questions to Slido.com enter code #2624344



Closed captioning is available.



Tonight's meeting is being recorded and will be posted on the project website.



### **Presenters**











**Danielle Bury** Vice President, Hamilton LRT

Madelin Blacha Senior Project Manager Policy and Planning

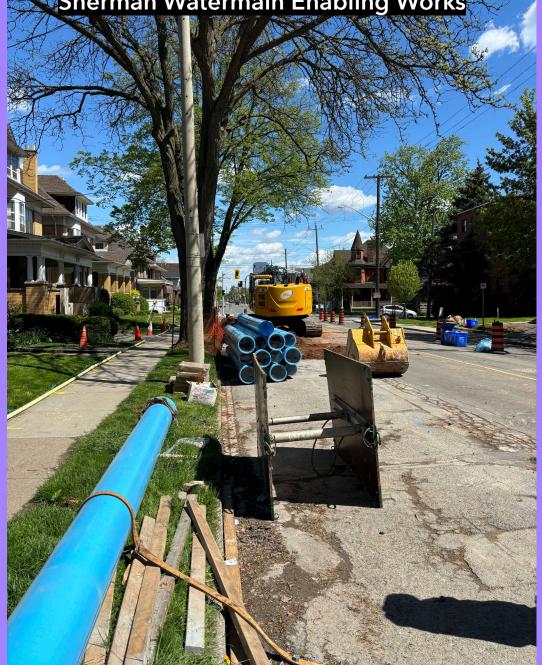
Adam Morrin Senior Manager, Utilities Kelly Anderson Senior Manager Community Engagement Nick Chaloux Manager, Transit Strategic Planning, HSR



# **Project Updates**

Sherman Watermain Enabling Works

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#### Hamilton LRT – Project Status

#### Procurement

- The procurement process for the Hamilton LRT is underway.
  Package 1 Civil and Utilities Works is in the RFP stage.
- Request for Proposals (RFP) Released on May 21, 2025. The submissions are expected by end of year. All of the shortlisted teams include Canadian contractors. The four teams are:
  - Hamilton Synergy Alliance Applicant Lead AtkinsRéalis Major Projects Inc.
  - **Steel City Alliance** Applicant Lead Dufferin Construction Company, A Division of CRH Canada Group Inc.
  - Kenaidan Murphy Joint Venture Applicant Lead -Murphy Infrastructure Inc.
  - Hamilton Transit Alliance Applicant Lead Aecon Infrastructure Management Inc.
- **Contract Award** -Contract award expected to occur in early 2026, initiating the Alliance development phase.



Conceptual Rendering: Parkdale Stop

### **Planned Project Packaging Strategy**

Metrolinx is planning a delivery strategy consisting of **two main packages**, so that corridor complexities can be addressed appropriately and ensure seamless integration between project elements.

#### Advance Enabling Works Currently Underway

- Hamilton residents have already seen the first shovels in the ground with crews working to relocate water mains and private utilities as part of an advanced enabling works program
- This work is clearing the path for subsequent procurement efforts and major construction including roads, sidewalks, bridges, utilities, and traffic signals.

#### Package 1 -

#### **Civil Works and Utilities**

Scope includes but is not limited to:

- Private and Public Utilities, Civil Structures (bridges, grade separations and guideway), Road and Urban Realm
- Relocation and renewal of utilities that run parallel to the future LRT tracks.
- Urban Realm includes streetscape, pedestrian safety, cycling and HSR integration

#### Package 2 -Stops, Rail, Systems (SRS)

- Rail, systems, operations and maintenance storage facility (OMSF), and integration of Light Rail Vehicles (LRVs) delivered for Revenue Service
- Potential to include operations and maintenance concession period (pending discussions with the City of Hamilton)



### **Alliance Model**

Metrolinx is using an alliance contracting model for the first phase of work.

An alliance model is like a group project where everyone is on the same side. Everyone - including government, contractors, designers - works together as one team from start to finish.

Project delivery risks are shared by the owner and non-owner and allow all parties to reach the best solutions for the project.

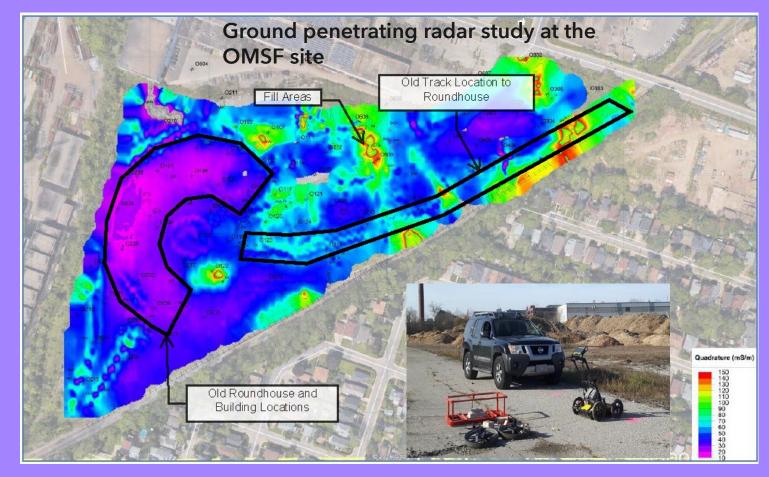






### **Beneath the Surface**







## **Planning for Construction**





Species at Risk survey

Archaeological work at Main St. E & Ottawa St. N



# **Mitigating Environmental Impacts**



# **Utility work**

#### Why Do We Relocate Utilities?

Utilities are relocated to create a clear and safe space to construct and operate the LRT by establishing a Utility-Free Zone beneath and adjacent to the guideway.

This ensures utility companies can still access and maintain their infrastructure, while keeping the LRT running smoothly even when future utility work is needed nearby.

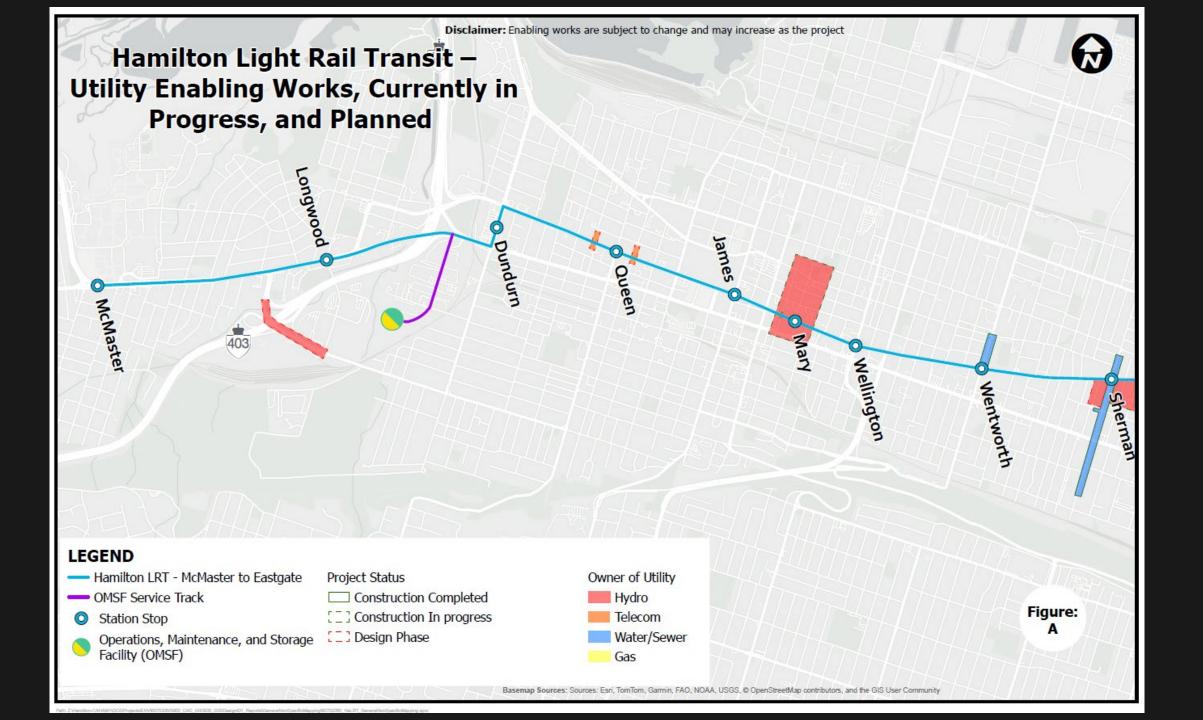
#### Why Are We Completing Utility Enabling Works?

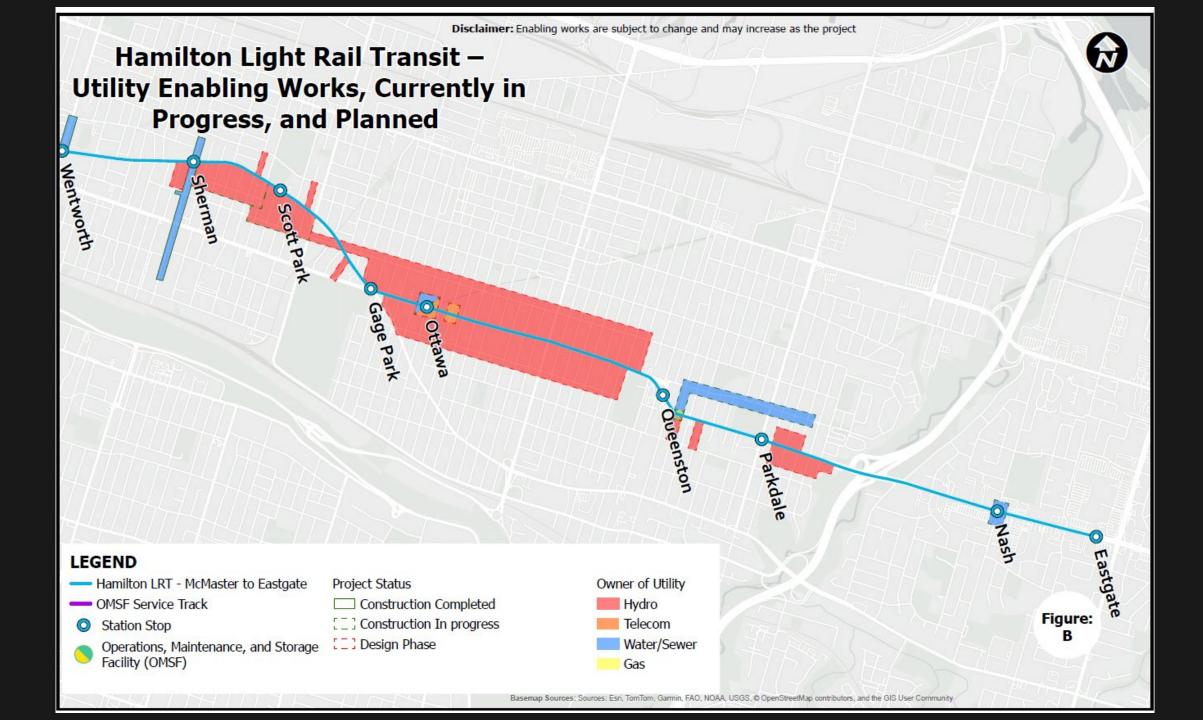
To create space on the corridor for the guideway and other necessary utilities. We achieve this by relocating utilities off-corridor where possible. This helps reduce future disruptions to the public by keeping construction activities focused within the corridor once LRT construction starts.

Efforts have also focused on relocating critical infrastructure in advance of LRT construction, including the Trans-Northern Oil Pipeline at Queenston Circle and the City of Hamilton's 1200mm transmission watermain.











# **HSR Next**

Moving Hamilton Forward



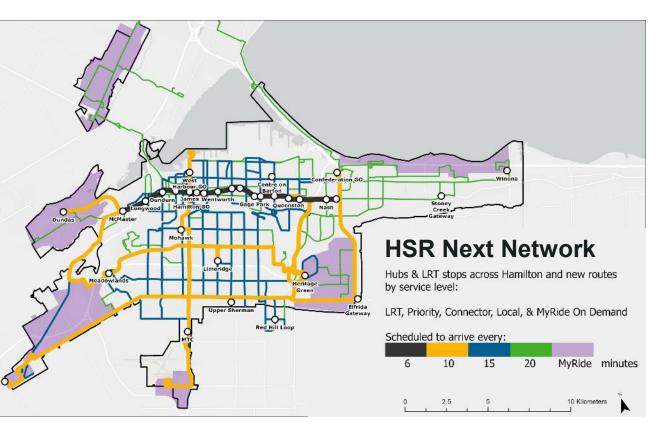
### **HSR Next: New Transit Network**

Our new network is the result of **(Re)Envision the HSR**, Hamilton's largest community outreach to date.

Investment in **HSR Next** and **Hamilton LRT** makes transit more competitive – bringing more of Hamilton's amenities within reach!

#### **Key Improvements:**

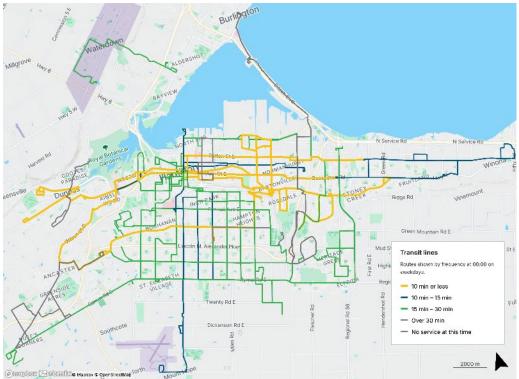
- **Six rapid routes -** also known as BLAST that directly connect communities across Hamilton the perfect way to get across town quickly!
- A new grid of routes with more frequent service - helping you take your trip on your schedule!
- Five new MyRide zones (on-demand transit) that brings transit even closer to your door!



### **Built on How You Move**



#### Today's Network: Hub & Spoke



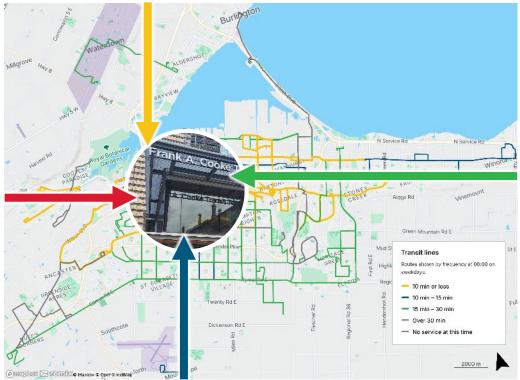
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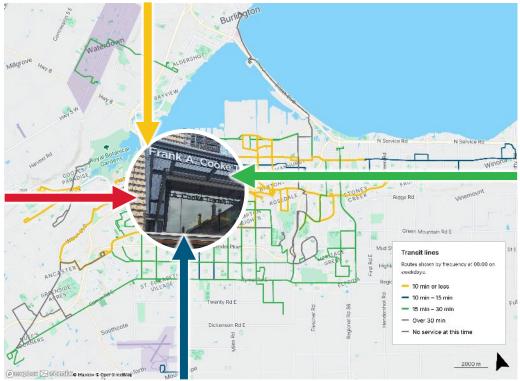
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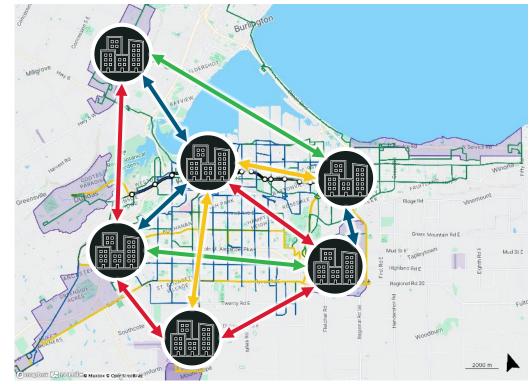
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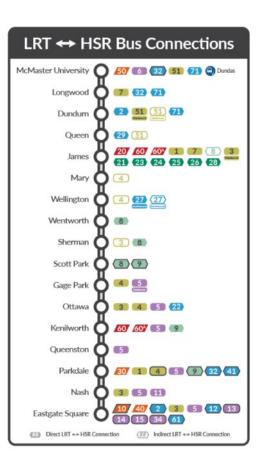
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## **LRT & Regional Integration**

- Hamilton LRT will be the key east-west link for the Lower City, adding capacity to the Main-King corridor.
- HSR Next connects to every stop of the LRT, providing quick connection across the Lower City.
- As Hamilton and the region grow, more and more travel cross municipal boundaries. HSR Next improves connections to regional transit at Hamilton, West Harbour, and Confederation GO stations.
- Every new HSR route connects to a GO Station in one transfer or less.





#### GO Station Connections

<u>West Harbour</u> 1, 2, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 71

<u>Hamilton GO</u> 1, 3, 4, 8, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 51, 60

Confederation GO 11, 12, 13, 40, 61

## **Stay in the Loop**

- **HSR Next** will soon be before Council for approval. Should implementation be approved, you will start seeing changes to your trips in **September 2026**.
- Nearly every route will be adjusted. To keep change manageable, we will gradually implement changes.
- Transit staff will be out on your bus, in your community, and online to help you learn about the network!
- Keep an eye out for our upcoming webpage for dedicated updates: <u>www.hamilton.ca/HSRNext</u>.





# We're here for you!

### Engage with the dedicated Hamilton team

- Community Office at 116 King St. E
- Regular touchpoints with elected officials and stakeholders
- Engagement at festivals and events
- Hand-delivered notices to neighbours
- Youth engagement





### **Upcoming Events**



July 15	Powell Park Pop-Up
July 26	Hamilton Fringe Festival Kids Club
Sept 12-14	Supercrawl
Sept 27	Stoney Creek Applefest
Sept 28	<b>Open Streets Festival</b>
Oct 18	Stoney Creek Pumpkinfest





### **Q&A Session**

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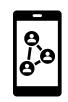
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### **Stay Connected**







Phone: 905-521-1003







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