SCENIC CORRIDORS STUDY OPEN HOUSE

FEEDBACK SUMMARY

October 23, 24, and 29, 2019

The comments received at the open houses are grouped by theme and are provided verbatim in the tables below:

TREES/ VEGETATION

Safe area for walking and biking are so important. Trees give shade for beautiful walks.

Overhanging mature trees that arch over the road looks cool and is cool

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Lower planting of native vegetation could replace grass boulevards.

Any trees that are being replaces should be native or newly planted.

Protection of trees, specifically mature trees.

Preserve as many old trees as possible, and plant as many new ones as possible to maintain beauty and a small town feel to the Lakeshore.

Consider seed collection from the heritage trees along lakeshore and Trafalgar – Red Maples and Sugar Maples. If they are happy and adapted to their location, soil conditions, etc then their seedlings would be valuable. Consider increasing tree planting with good genetic native stock to plan for tree succession.

Trees along Lakeshore and Trafalgar their best feature – must be preserved.

What about food gardens or planters? Also direct road drainage into gardens (rain garden).

Unintended consequences what if it means having to cut down some heritage trees. Be smart and strategic.

Maintain treescape, visibility to heritage houses and plaques

Old mature trees, old heritage homes.

CONNECTIONS

Safe area for walking and biking are so important. Trees give shade for beautiful walks.

Safe cycling and connectivity of cycle lanes to avoid car/bike conflicts

We are looking forward to having a sidewalk in front of our house – replacing the drainage ditch and hard shoulder.

At least one sidewalk, no need to have one each side of road, especially if it impacts mature trees.

Connectivity to the pedestrian very important

Keep Lakeshore to 2 lanes for most of the way. You can then have bikes lanes on both sides.

Love the bike lanes as Lakeshore all the way from Burloak to Third Line. Extend if possible right to the other end of Oakville.

Connectivity to the pedestrian very important.

I would like to see bikes lines designated along Lakeshore and Cornwall.

Many cyclist already use Lakeshore on a regular basis. Racers use the road, recreational bikers use the sidewalk.

Sidewalks are so important on both sides.

Maintain: Pathways and sidewalks

Need bike-lanes connected – it's no good to have short stretches of bike lane.

Walkways and bike-lanes to be consistent throughout

There are very few pedestrians on Lakeshore Rd between Bronte downtown and Oakville downtown. Change the sidewalk on the south side to a multi-use pathway and keep the multi-use pathway on the north side - no trees will be harmed and cyclists will be safer

ROADWAY

Third turning lane is not necessary, in fact proven dangerous with impatient drivers use it as a passing lane.

Bioswales vs curbs are attractive and "natural"

No need to cater to cars – there are several east-west options – Rebecca, Speers, Wyecroft – reduce speed on scenic corridor

Keep Lakeshore to 2 lanes for most of the way. You can then have bikes lanes on both sides.

'Scenic corridors" need to be labelled as such to prevent them from being used to facilitate through traffic.

Concerned that the daylight triangles will cause unnecessary removal of trees.

Stormwater Management via natural solutions

HERITAGE

The heritage stone walls are a must to maintain.

Maintain treescape, visibility to heritage houses and plaques

Retention: Heritage areas – sights to show visitors

Old mature trees, old heritage homes