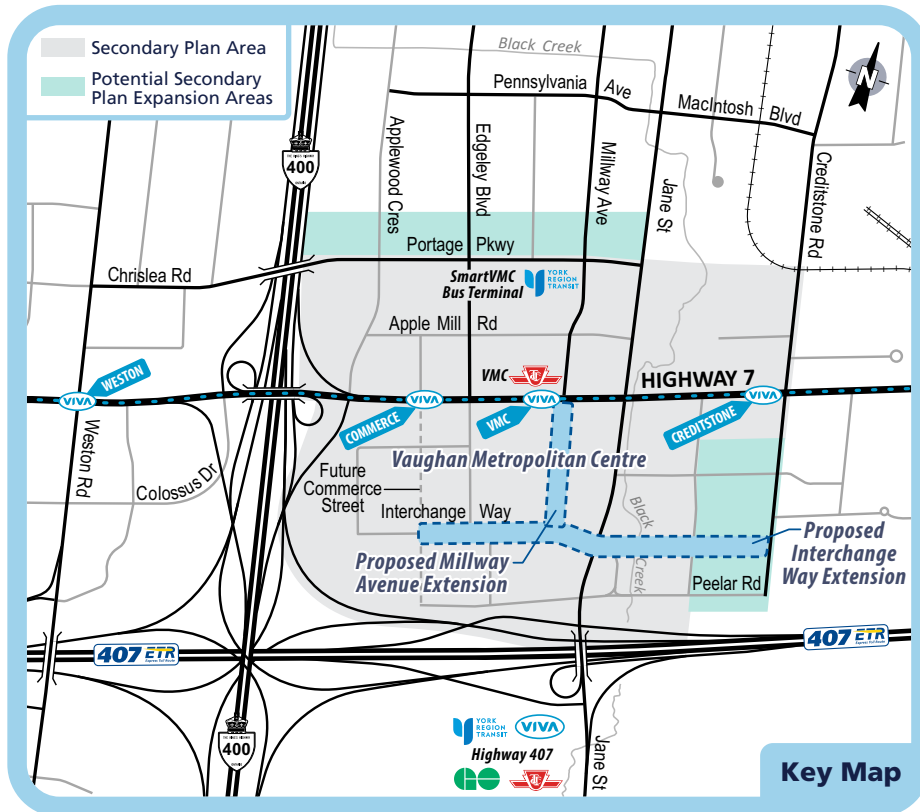


Notice of Study Commencement

Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Transportation Master Plan Update and the Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment Studies for the Extensions of Interchange Way and Millway Avenue

The Studies

The City of Vaughan is initiating the **Vaughan Metropolitan Centre (VMC) Transportation Master Plan (TMP) Update** and **Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Studies for the extensions of Interchange Way and Millway Avenue**. The planned VMC road network was initially developed almost 10 years ago. Since then, the transportation context in the City and its downtown has evolved, including the opening of the VMC TTC subway station, which has contributed to significant residential development activity surpassing the original 2031 forecasts. The City is now updating the TMP to confirm transportation needs, supportive policies and a phasing strategy to 2041 with a focus on street connectivity, accessibility and support for multi-modal mobility (for example, walking, cycling, transit, ride share, etc.). The planning and design of the previously proposed extensions of Millway Avenue and Interchange Way will also be advanced through these Studies. These Transportation Studies are being carried out concurrently with the **Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Secondary Plan Update** under a fully integrated and holistic approach to transportation and land use planning.



Consultation

Throughout the studies, the City will engage agencies, property owners, the surrounding community and the general public, as part of any decisions that are made. Three formal points of engagement will be convened to present study findings and receive public input. Notifications for these engagement opportunities will be distributed once the dates have been planned.

For ongoing updates including study notices and other information, please visit the project website at: vaughan.ca/VMCTMP. If you have any questions or wish to be added to the mailing list, please contact one of the individuals below:

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The Process

This study is being carried out under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA, as amended in 2015), which provides municipalities with a framework for the planning, design and implementation of municipal infrastructure. There are two components to the Study:

- 1) **Transportation Master Plan (TMP) Update:** The TMP Update will follow the planning process and satisfy Phases 1 and 2 of the MCEA, including an assessment of existing and future conditions, confirmation of transportation needs, and an evaluation of multi-modal transportation network options, all in consultation with regulatory agencies and the public. At the end of the Study, the TMP, which documents the process and plan including transportation infrastructure requirements and multi-modal network recommendations, will be available for public review and information.
- 2) **Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Studies for the Extensions of Interchange Way and Millway Avenue:** Two Class EA studies will be carried out concurrently to further the planning and design of the extensions of the following roads:
 - i. Millway Avenue, from Highway 7 to Interchange Way (east-west)
 - ii. Interchange Way, from Commerce Street to Creditstone Road

The studies will follow the MCEA Schedule 'C' Class EA process. Through this process, the study team will confirm needs, evaluate alternative designs and select a preferred design, examine impacts on the social, cultural and natural environments and identify measures to mitigate those impacts, all in consultation with regulatory agencies and the public. At the end of the studies, two Environmental Study Reports (ESRs), which document the decision-making process, will be made available for public review.

Information is being collected under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

This notice first issued November 26, 2020.

We want to hear from you!

Please fill out the online survey at: www.vaughan.ca/VMCPlan and share your VMC experience and ideas for the future.



Additional Studies and Consultation Opportunities

Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Secondary Plan Update

The City of Vaughan is undertaking an update to the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Secondary Plan (VMCSP). The intent of this update is to review the existing planning framework to reflect new policy direction with recent changes to provincial legislation and in alignment with both the Region of York and City of Vaughan Official Plan Reviews. The Study will also consider potential boundary expansions to include additional lands into the VMCSP area, review the evolving urban structure of the downtown and provide strategies to ensure that growth is supported by sufficient hard and soft infrastructure. The Study will result in a comprehensive set of tools to ensure that the vision of the VMC as a vibrant downtown and complete community is realized.



Consultation

For ongoing updates and other information, please visit the project website at: www.vaughan.ca/VMCPlan. Should you wish to obtain more information on the VMCSP Update or wish to participate in the VMCSP Update process, please contact:

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Parks and Wayfinding Master Plan

The City of Vaughan is undertaking the VMC Parks and Wayfinding Master Plan to guide the timely development of parks and open spaces in the VMC and create a world class public realm. It includes the creation of a signage strategy to make it easier to navigate Vaughan's new downtown. The study presents a rare opportunity to think boldly about the city, the way people understand and move through it, and the role of parks and open space in modern urban life.

Consultation

For ongoing updates and other information, please visit the project website at: www.vaughan.ca/VMCParks. If you have any further questions please contact one of the individuals below:

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