

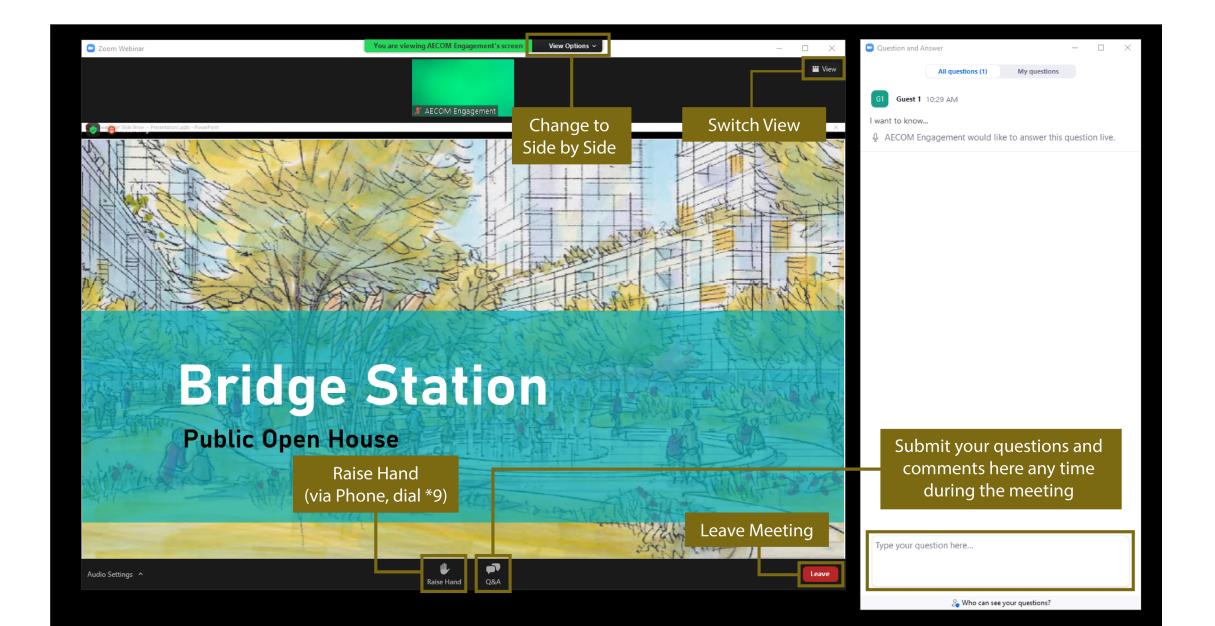
## Land Acknowledgement

We begin today by acknowledging that Markham is situated on lands covered by Treaty 13 and the Williams Treaties.

Long before today, the land we are on has been home to many different Indigenous groups since time immemorial and forms part of the Dish with One Spoon Treaty between the Haudenosaunee (Hoe-den-oh-'show-nee) and the Anishinaabeg (Ah-nish-nah-beg), an agreement between the Indigenous Nations which was implemented after the French and Indian War. The broader concept of the Dish with One Spoon has been a traditional foundation of the Indigenous perspective to treaty making, which was to outline a shared responsibility to ensure peace and the sustainable use of resources from the land for all parties involved, and would have been incorporated into both Treaty 13 and the Williams Treaties.

We acknowledge that there is much work to be done in order to progress towards reconciliation.

#### **Zoom Instructions**



# Agenda



Welcome and Meeting Goals



Opening Remarks - Introductions



Presentation



Discussion – Questions & Answers



Closing

## **Meeting Goals**



Provide an overview of the Government of Ontario's Transit-Oriented Communities program



Present the proposed Bridge TOC plan



Hear your questions and comments

## Rules of Engagement for a Successful Virtual Meeting



When asking a question, be respectful of panelists and fellow participants.

Be considerate of other participants' time and interests.

Encourage participation.

# **Opening Remarks**



Chairman and CEO, Wayne Emmerson

# **Opening Remarks**



Mayor Frank Scarpitti

## **Opening Remarks**



Senior Vice President, Transit-Oriented Development Program, Infrastructure Ontario Michael Fedchyshyn

#### **Transit-Oriented Communities**

- The Province announced the Transit-Oriented Communities (TOC) initiative in July 2020.
- The focus of the TOC Program is to create vibrant communities at transit stations along priority transit lines, including the Yonge North Subway Extension.
- In September 2021, the Province announced Bridge TOC development.
- The Bridge TOC will create a complete mixeduse community that is compact, transitsupportive and high density and makes effective use of the Province's infrastructure investments.



# TOC Program Benefits



Increasing **transit ridership** and reducing traffic congestion.



Increasing **housing supply** (including affordable housing) and jobs.



Catalyzing complete communities based on good planning principles.



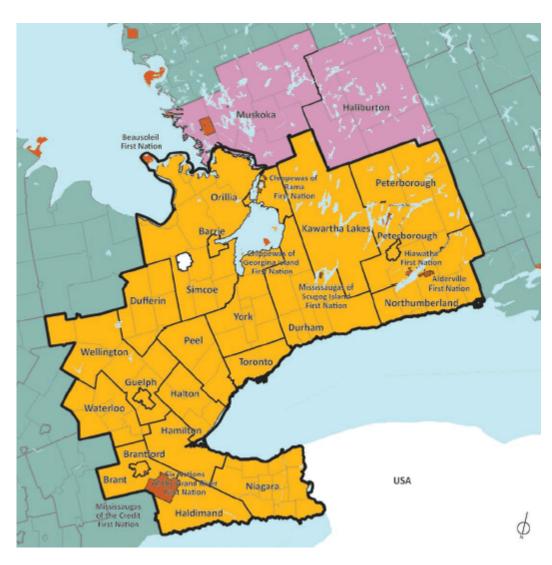
Offsetting the cost of station construction which would save taxpayers' money.



**Stimulating the economy** through major projects for years after COVID-19.



#### **Provincial Growth Plan**

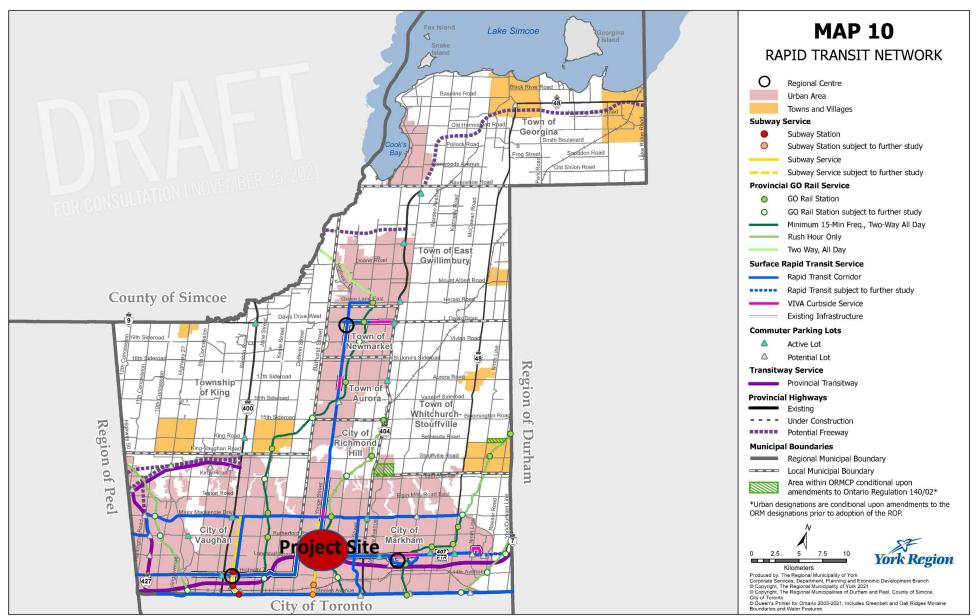


The Greater Golden Horseshoe is targeted as a destination of choice for many people and businesses.

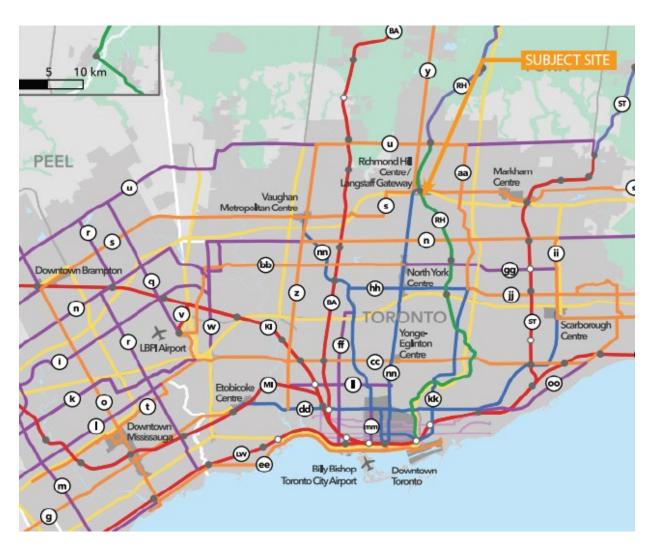
By 2051, this area is forecast to grow to, at a minimum, 14.8 million people and 7.0 million jobs.



## York Region Official Plan



# Regional Transportation Secondary Plan



Richmond Hill Centre/Langstaff Gateway Urban Growth Center

Optimal area for intensification

Better use of available lands i.e. highest and best use

2 applicable MTSAs:

- Langstaff-Longbridge Subway Station: Bridge Station
- Richmond Hill Centre Subway Station: now High Tech Station

Within this Urban Growth Centre, there will be 5 modes of higher order transit:

- Langstaff GO Station/GO Bus Service
- VIVA Rapid Transit
- York Region (Local) Transit
- Future Subway Stations: Bridge and High Tech
- Future 407 Transitway

# 2010 Langstaff Gateway Secondary Plan

The Bridge TOC proposal is intended to implement the City's vision for the Langstaff Gateway Secondary Plan.



A linked system of park and open spaces



High quality urban design with easy, safe access for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists



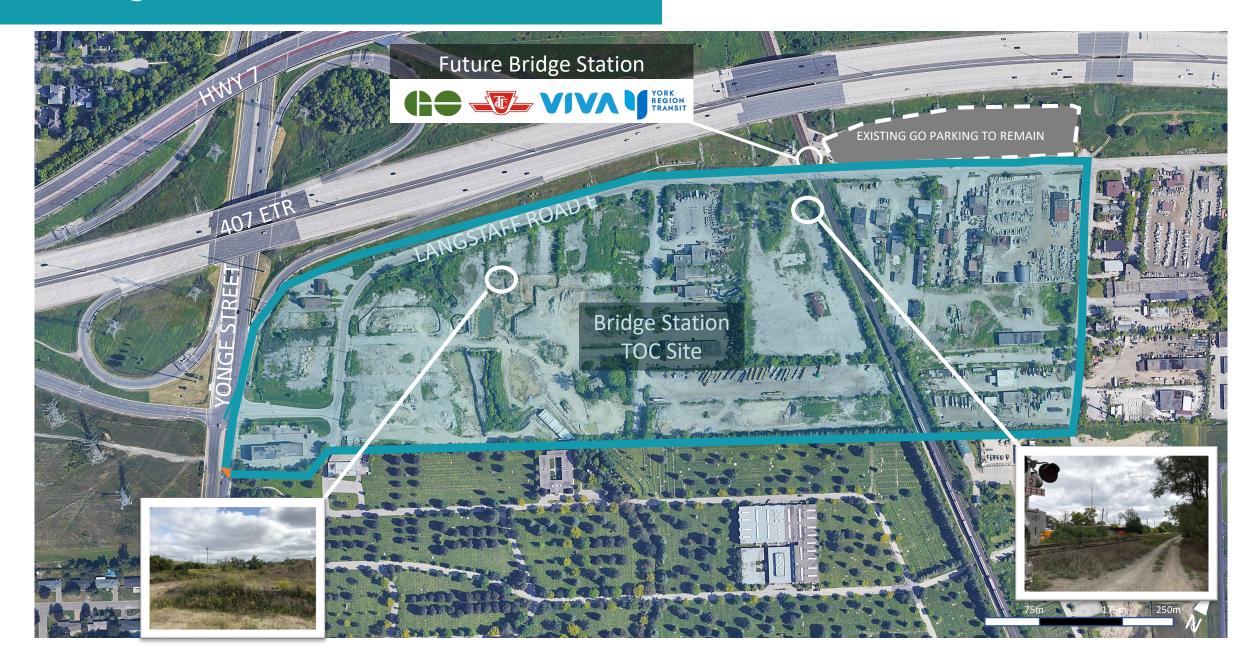


Transit dependent with stops within a 5-10 min walk



A mix of uses with more intensive housing development in proximity to transit stations

# **Existing Condition at Site**



#### **Development Timeline of the Site**



Places to Grow Act (2005)
Langstaff Gateway
identified as an Urban
Growth Centre



Final Calthorpe Master Plan released to Council (2009)



Condor Phase 1A Rezoning and Draft Plan of Subdivision Approved (2020)



BRIDGE STATION MASTER PLAN TOWERS COMMONWERS

> Bridge Station TOC Municipal Submission (July 2021)

> > Present

2005

Peter Calthorpe and Associates Master Plan process (2008 to 2009)



Langstaff Gateway Secondary Plan (OPA 183), Approved by Region of York (2011)



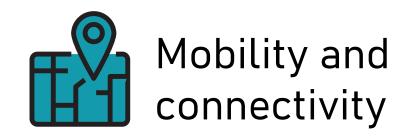
Romeo Park Expansion Official Plan Amendment (2020 – present)





# **TOC Development Objectives**







Public spaces



Placemaking design



# **TOC Development Concept**

#### **TOC Guiding Principles**

- ✓ Appropriate Mix of Uses
- ✓ Transit Supportive Density
- ✓ Integration with Surrounding Area
- ✓ Great Public Realm
- ✓ Transit Infrastructure Integration
- ✓ Natural, Built, and Cultural Heritage
- ✓ Housing Supply and Jobs
- ✓ Community Amenities and Infrastructure

#### **VISION**

A 15-minute walkable community Completely connected and highly accessible Prioritize parks and open space





# Key Features of the Proposed TOC Plan

- ✓ Conforms to the 2019 Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, including intensification within Urban Growth Centres and Major Transit Station Areas
- ✓ Conforms to the York Region Official Plan
- ✓ Enhances and implements the vision and objectives of the Langstaff Gateway Secondary Plan (2011)
- ✓ Maintains the future proofed, highly-urbanized, transitdependent and mixed-use vision of the original Calthorpe Master Plan (2009)



# A 15-minute walkable community



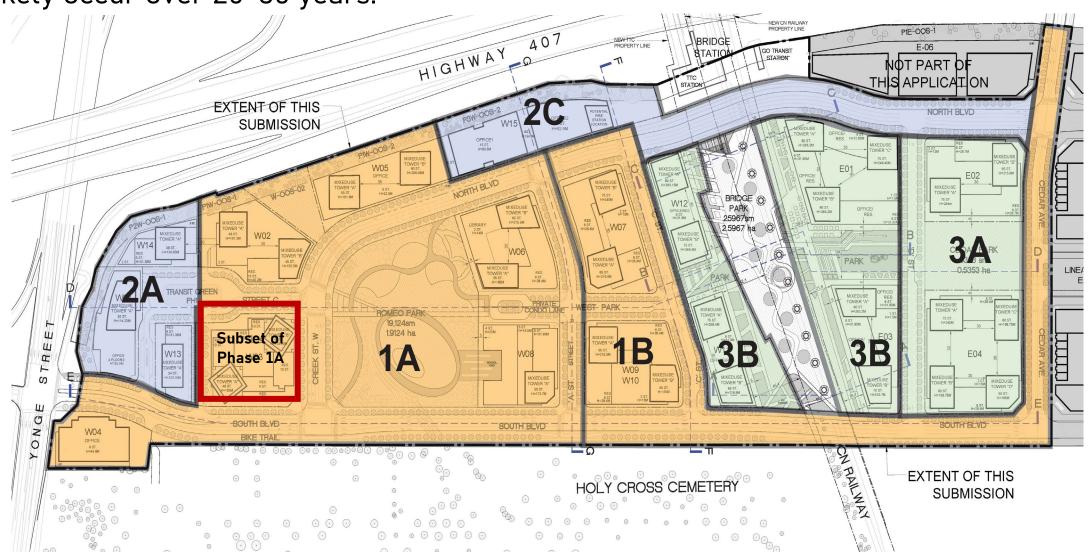
## Proposed Mixed-Use Plan

The plan for Bridge provides a mix of residential and commercial uses integrated with transit to develop a livable and sustainable community.



## **Estimated Development Phasing**

Development will be phased over time. Build-out will likely occur over 25-30 years.



# **Building Design**

- TOC Development at Bridge
   Station demonstrates design
   excellence while balancing
   building heights, appropriate
   transition to surrounding areas
   and separation between
   buildings, to create a vibrant,
   integrated transit-first
   community.
- The Bridge TOC presents a longterm vision for the establishing a major mobility hub and a mixed-use environment with an attractive public realm.



#### Phase 1A - Building Design Approach

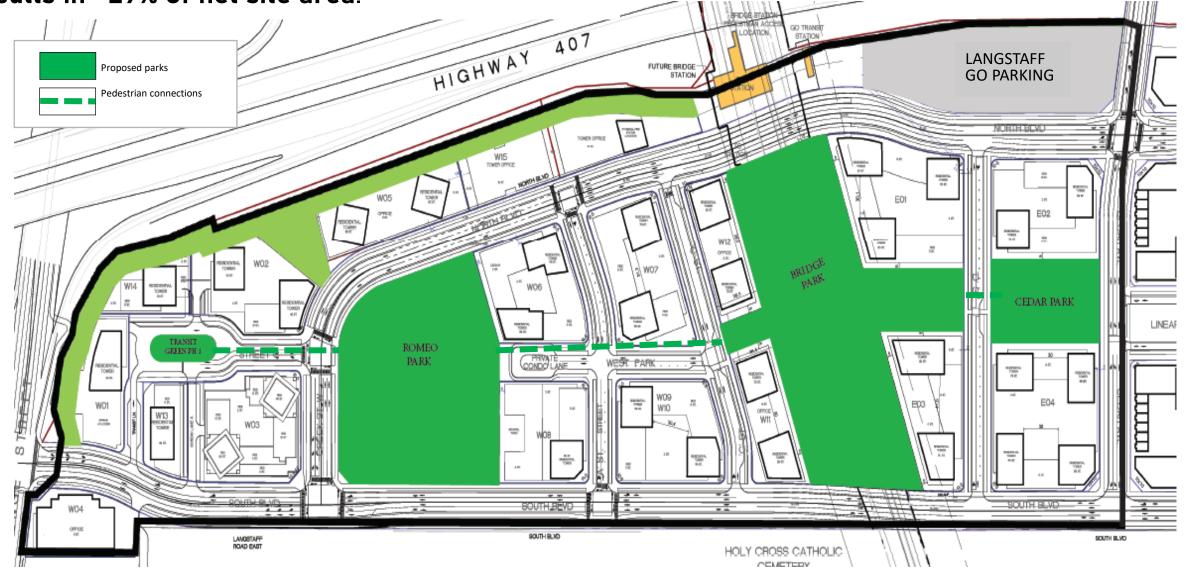


By taking an integrated approach to land use planning, infrastructure investment, and environmental protection, development around Bridge Station will achieve the vision of a Transit-Oriented Community.



# Parks and Open Spaces

The Bridge TOC Plan proposes ~5ha of parkland, results in ~29% of net site area.



## Perspective - Bridge Park

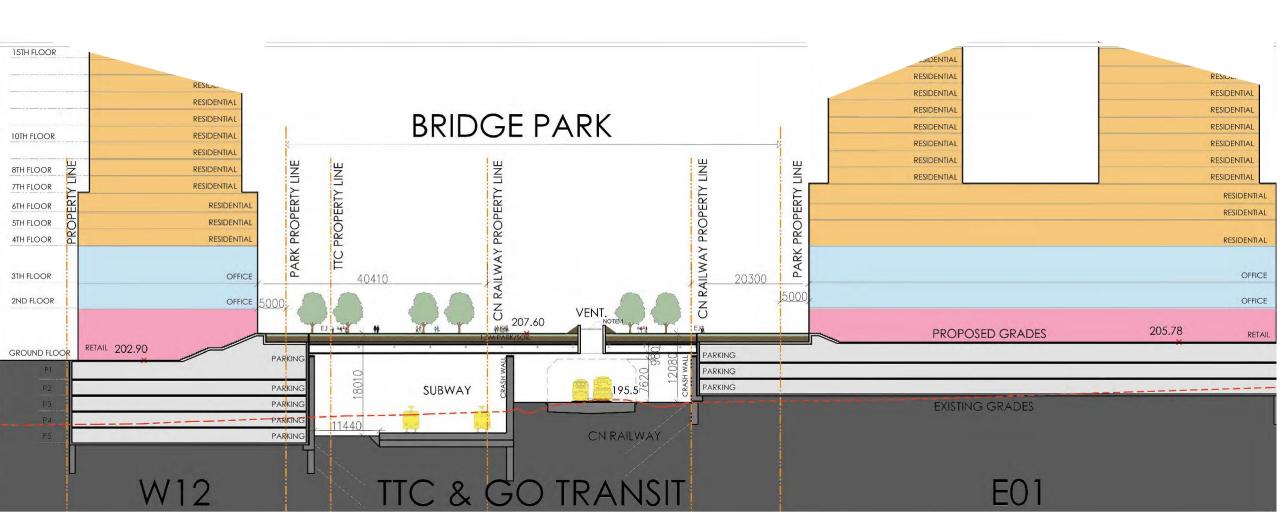


#### **Bridge Park Concept**



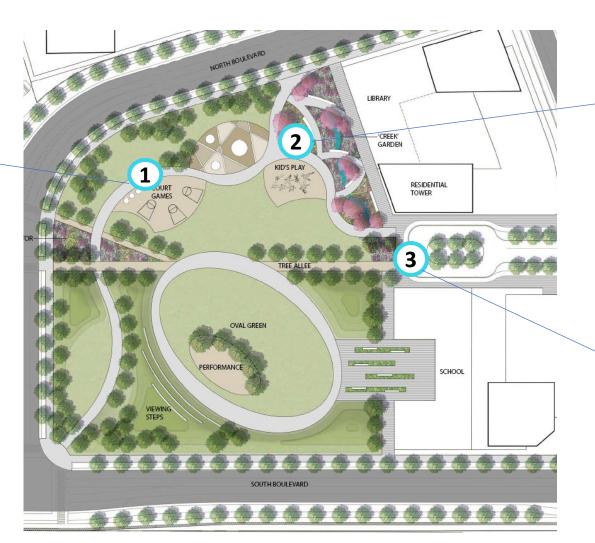
#### **Bridge Park - East-West Section at CN Corridor**





#### **Romeo Park Concept**





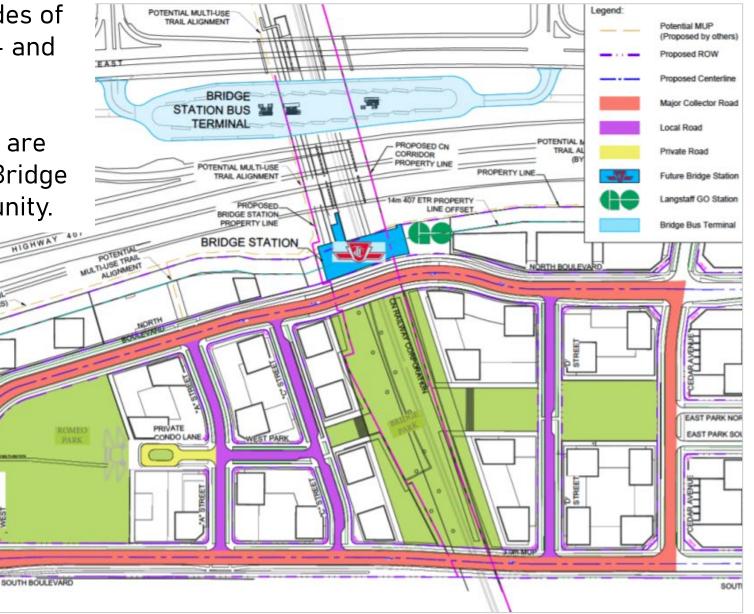




## **Active Transportation Network**

Walking and cycling will be important modes of travel for short internal trips and for first- and last-mile connections to transit.

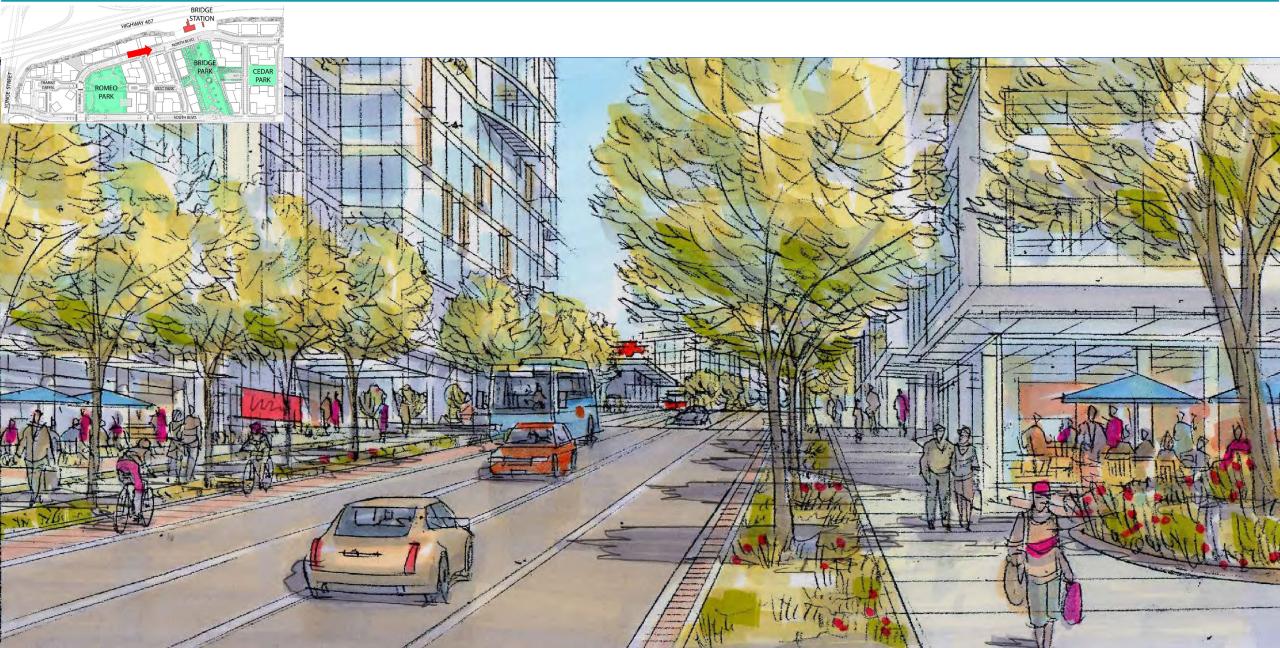
All areas of the Bridge Station community are within a 15-minute walk of the proposed Bridge station located in the centre of the community.



#### Perspective - West Park Avenue - Retail Street



#### Perspective - North Boulevard - Pedestrian and Cycling Network



#### Perspective - Spanish Stairs - West Entry to Bridge Park



## Perspective - Art Garden and Restaurant District - East Entry to Bridge Park



## **Proposal Highlights**



~20,000 units ~1,568,000 m<sup>2</sup> Residential GFA



~17,350 m<sup>2</sup>
Retail & Entertainment



~9,400 jobs ~145,700 m<sup>2</sup> Min Office GFA

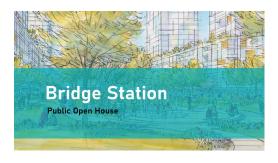


~17,500 m<sup>2</sup> Community Facilities, Schools etc.



~50,400 m<sup>2</sup> Parkland Dedication (~29%)

# **Moving Forward**



Public Open House Dec. 2021



YNSE subway construction begins (2023 estimated)



YNSE subway construction completed (2031 estimated)

#### **Present**

Website Feedback Dec. 2021 – Jan. 2022



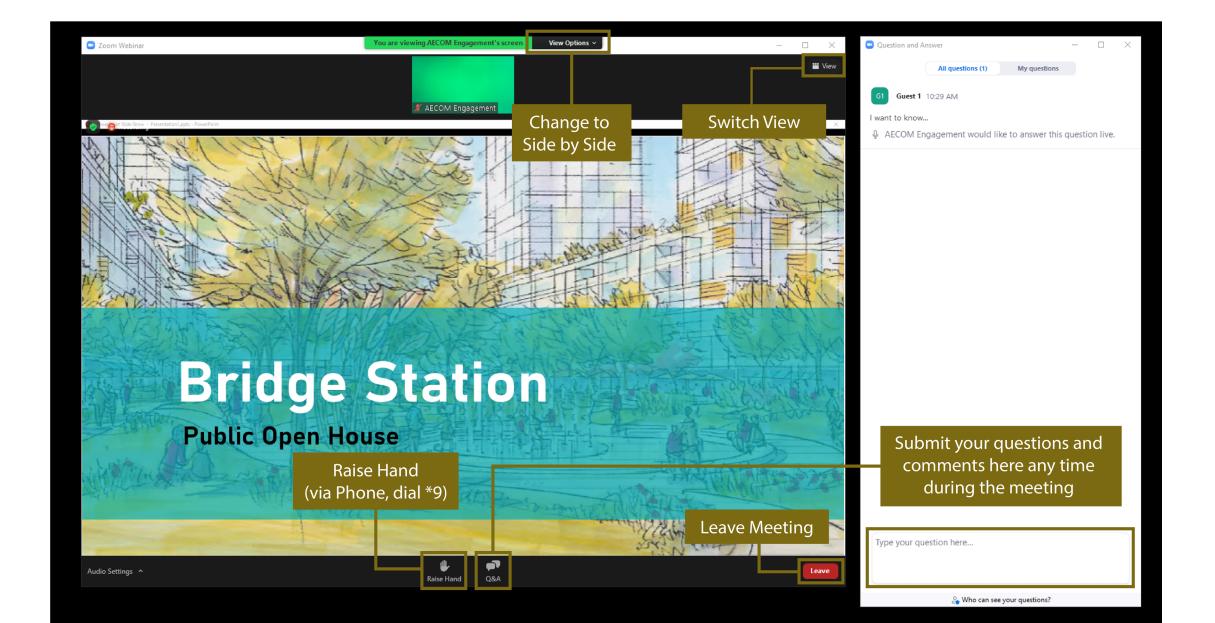
Commercial and residential construction begins



Commercial and residential construction complete (2045–50 estimated)



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# **Discussion**





#### For More Information



www.EngageBridge.ca

- Municipal Planning submission
- More opportunities for feedback

#### **→** METROLINX

To learn more about the Yonge North Subway Extension:



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