



vision**cooksville**

Vision, Principles & Community
Recommendations

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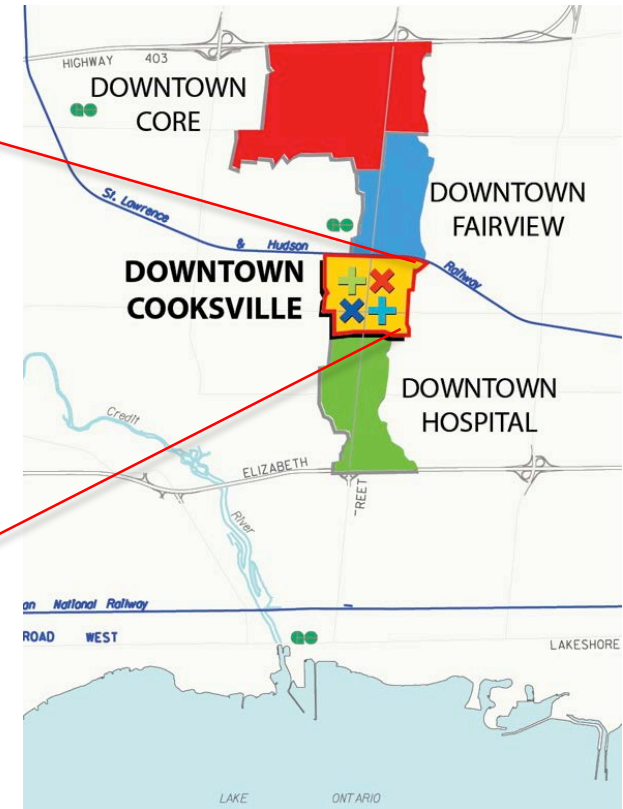
Agenda

1. Project Overview
2. Recap of Visioning Process
3. Vision Statement
4. Principles and Community Recommendations
5. Next Steps
6. Closing Remarks

Vision Cooksville Project Schedule



Vision Cooksville Study Area



**Downtown Cooksville
has been identified
as a place for transit
investments and
change.**

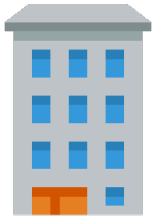
Changes Coming to Cooksville



Population and Employment
Growth



Transit Investments



New Developments

Population and Employment Growth



Downtown Cooksville is targeted for growth by the Province and the City of Mississauga.

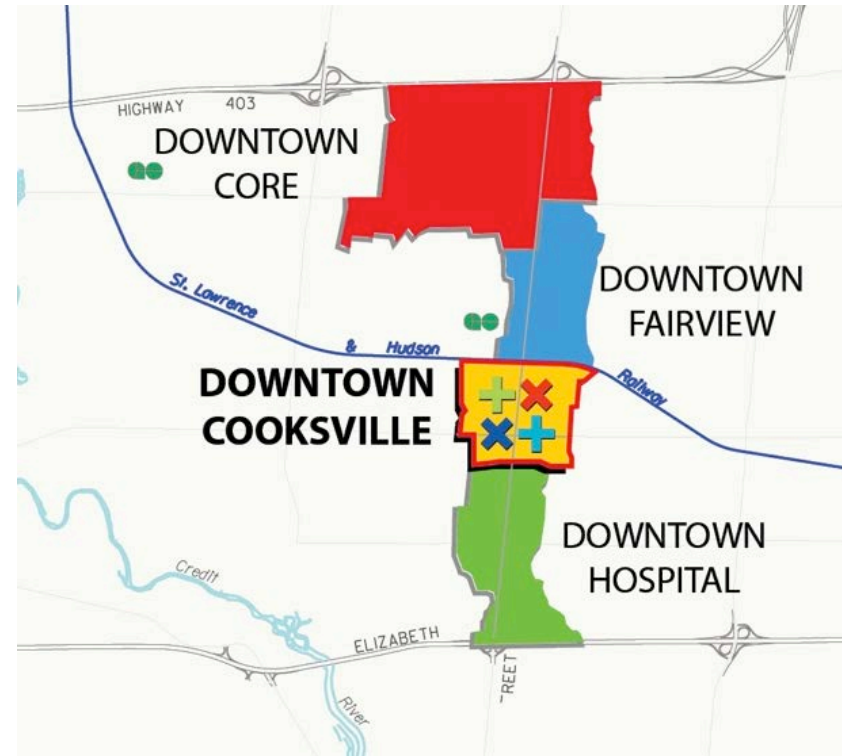
+ 7,000 PEOPLE



+ 1,000 JOBS



by 2031.



Transit Investments



Hurontario Light Rail Transit (HLRT)

\$1.4 billion investment

Construction to start in 2018
and HLRT to open in 2022

Modern, accessible vehicles
and fast efficient service

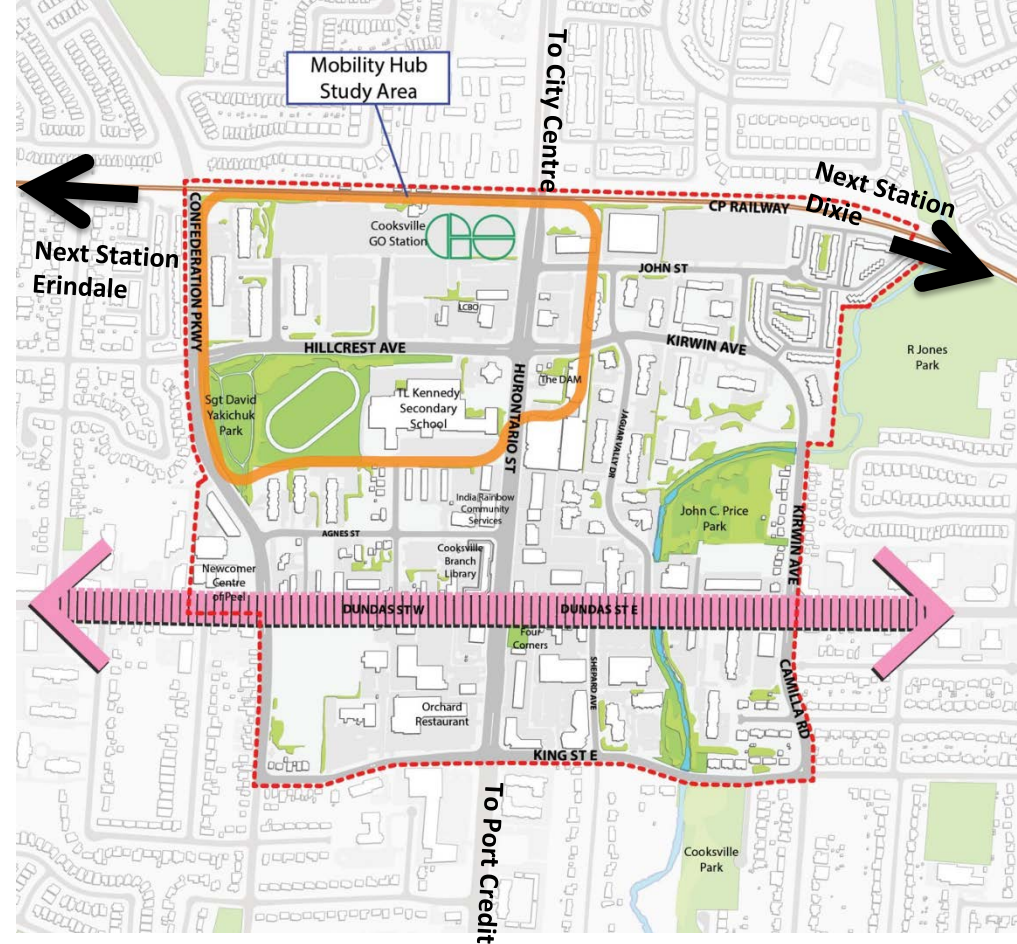
2 stops in Cooksville:

- Cooksville GO
- Hurontario & Dundas



Dundas Connects and GO Station Improvements

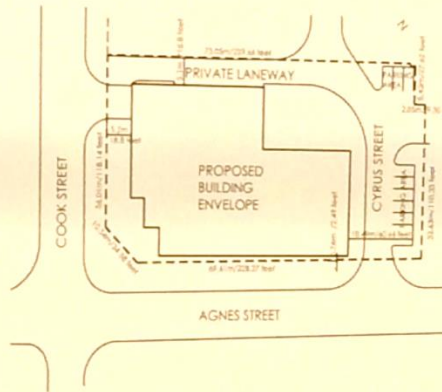
- Dundas Connects corridor study to define rapid transit and streetscape improvements along Dundas
- Cooksville Mobility Hub Master Plan Study guides GO Station area improvements



New Developments

NOTICE: OFFICIAL PLAN
AMENDMENT AND REZONING
AN APPLICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE
CITY OF MISSISSAUGA TO DEVELOP THIS SITE FOR

28 STOREY APARTMENT
BUILDING CONTAINING
260 APARTMENT UNITS



Owner: Eminence Living Inc.
Agent: Ruth Victor Associates (905)257 3590

For further information, phone the City of Mississauga Planning and
Building Department (905)896-5511 and refer to file #OZ-13/017 (W7)

Redevelopment

Consistent with Official Plan policies, improved transit will encourage redevelopment and revitalization.





The Downtown Cooksville Vision is the community's expression of how the area should look and feel in the next 20–30 years.

A group of four people are seated around a large, light-colored table in a community room. The room has large windows in the background showing an outdoor area. On the table are several sheets of paper, some with diagrams, a water bottle, and two red Tim Hortons cups. A whiteboard on a stand is visible behind the group. A poster titled 'the older adult life' is also visible on the wall. The text overlay is positioned in the lower-left foreground.

Community visioning over the last
5 months informed the Vision we
are presenting to you today.

Community Engagement Summary

Phases of the Visioning Process

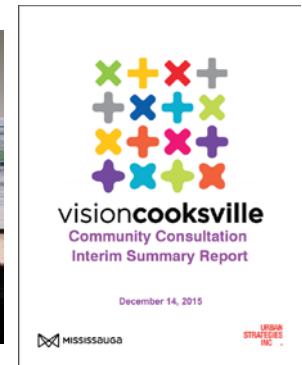
1. Understanding Cooksville

- Background Research
- Walking Tour
- On-the-Spot Survey Day



2. Community Visioning: Issues & Opportunities

- Large community visioning session on November 23rd
- Smaller sessions with community groups
- Online engagement



3. Community Visioning: Exploring Ideas

- Large community visioning sessions on January 25th and January 27th
- Online engagement



4. Draft Vision & Community Recommendations

In total, we have spoken to over

480 people, including

127 people who completed the
Cooksville Compass online

In **8** different venues

Over the course of **5** months



**Based on your feedback
we have developed a
Vision for YOUR Cooksville:
Vision Statement
6 Principles
20 Community Recommendations**

You told us that in the future Cooksville should be



Here is the Vision
that will achieve
those goals.

The Vision:

- A walkable urban community, housing a diverse population in a variety of housing forms
- A strong independent business community that is thriving and coordinated
- Infrastructure in place for transit, community services, cultural opportunities and recreation
- Improved open spaces and new parks
- A cohesive neighbourhood identity that is reflected in urban design, signage and public art

Principle 1

A Vibrant Public Realm and Walkable Streets

Principle 2

Connected and Engaging Parks and Open Spaces

Principle 3

Community Facilities for Recreation and Services

Principle 4

Housing Opportunities and Choices

Principle 5

Local and Unique Businesses

Principle 6

A New Identity

Principle 1

A Vibrant Public Realm & Walkable Streets

Downtown Cooksville will be a pedestrian-friendly place for people to walk, bike and take transit.



Community Recommendation 1.1

Provide improved pedestrian amenities

- New benches, planters, pedestrian-scale lighting, garbage receptacles & enclosed bus/LRT shelters for pedestrian weather protection
- Attractive & clear wayfinding signage



Enclosed bus/LRT shelters offering pedestrian weather protection



Garbage receptacles, street trees



Pedestrian-scale lighting



Street furniture



Hanging flower baskets

Community Recommendation 1.1

Provide improved pedestrian amenities



Existing condition at Dundas St east of Confederation Pkwy

Community Recommendation 1.1

Provide improved pedestrian amenities



Community Recommendation 1.2

Ensure pedestrian-friendly building design

- Fewer surface parking lots in front of shops & restaurants with buildings lining the street
- Active ground floor uses, multiple entrances & windows
- Well-maintained storefronts & outdoor seating

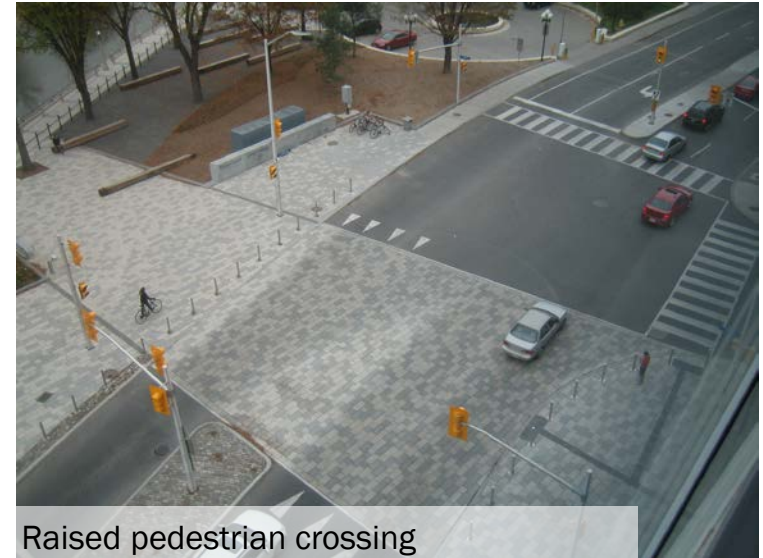


Green Hills, Nashville

Community Recommendation 1.3

Increase pedestrian safety

- Safe-crossing zones
- Wider sidewalks
- Other traffic calming interventions, including better street signal coordination



Community Recommendation 1.3

Increase pedestrian safety



Confederation Pkwy & Agnes St Existing Condition

Community Recommendation 1.3

Increase pedestrian safety



Community Recommendation 1.4

Improve cycling infrastructure

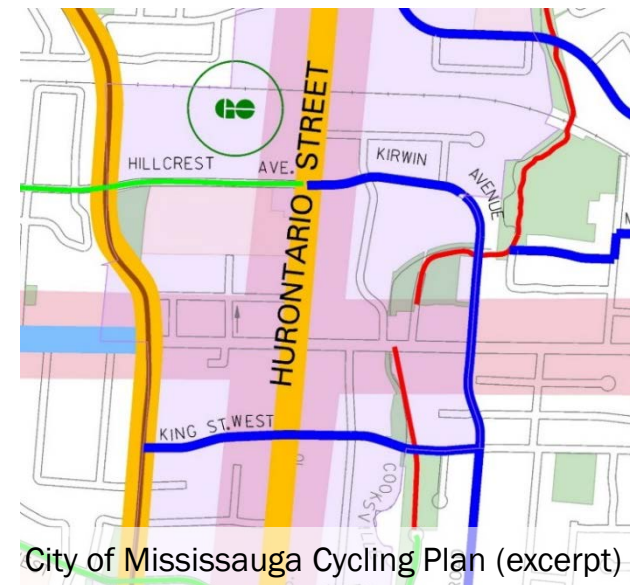
- New bike lanes
- Covered & well-lit bike parking
- Self-service bike repair stations
- Improved signage for bike routes



Bike fix-it station



Covered bike parking

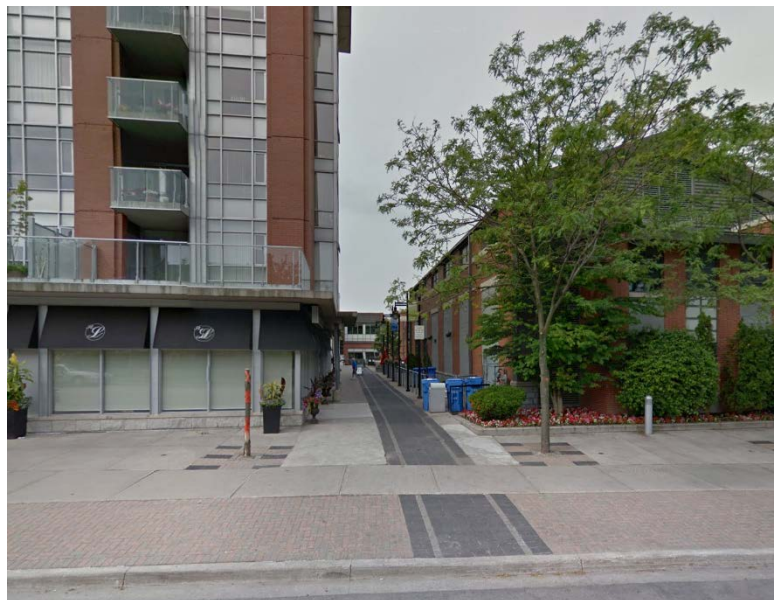


City of Mississauga Cycling Plan (excerpt)

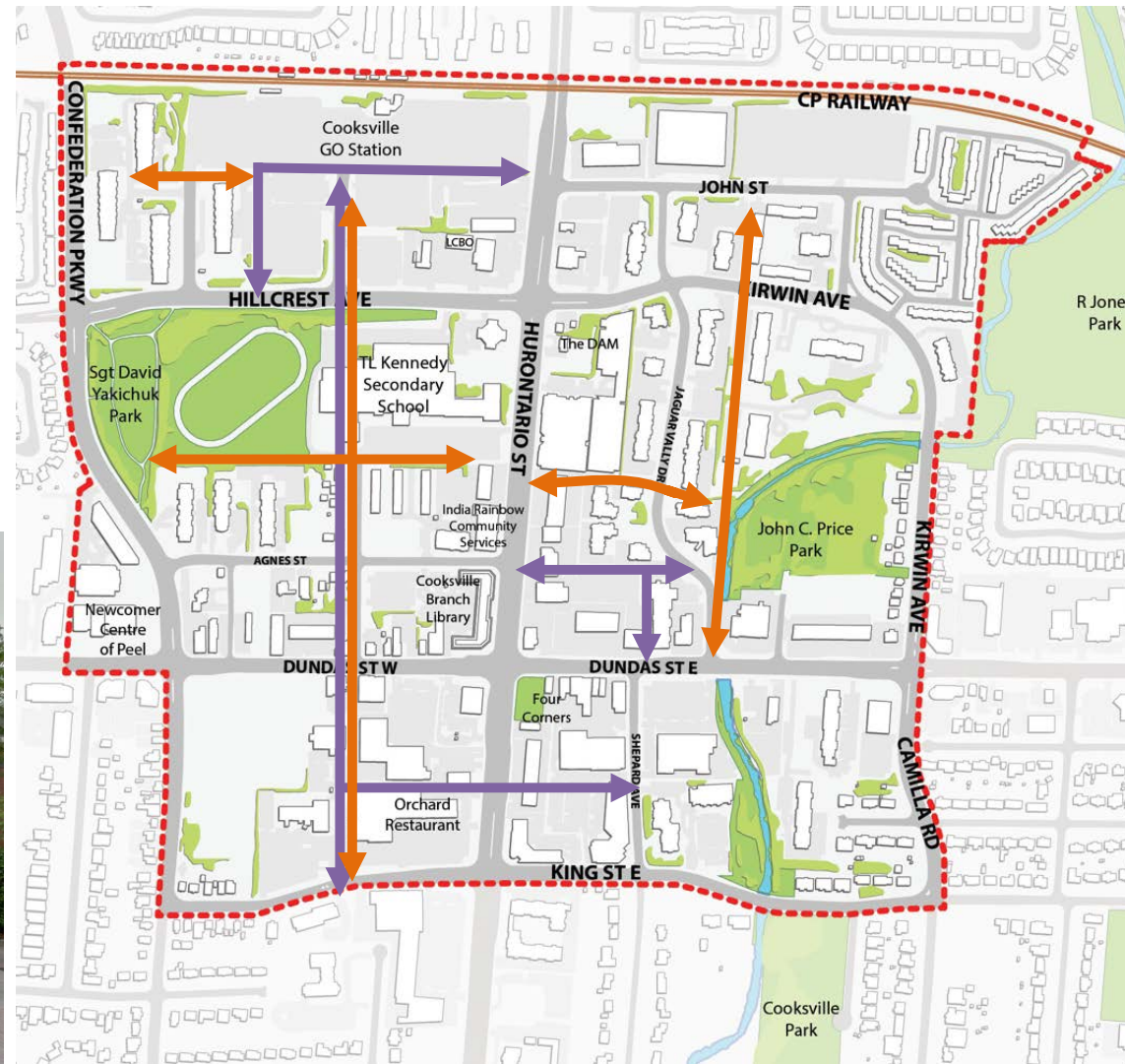
Community Recommendation 1.5

Improve pedestrian connections

- Fewer fences & more pedestrian gaps
- Publicly accessible pathways through apartment properties
- New public streets & shorter blocks



Pedestrian pathway, Port Credit



↔ Possible new public streets and shorter blocks

↔ Possible pathways through large parcels

Community Recommendation 1.5

Improve pedestrian connections



Shepard Ave, Newin Centre Mall & King Shepard Square Plaza

Community Recommendation 1.5

Improve pedestrian connections



Possible new connection between Newin Centre Mall & King Shepard Square Plaza,
between Shepard Ave and Hurontario St.

Principle 2

Connected and Engaging Parks and Open Spaces

Downtown Cooksville will be a neighbourhood with enjoyable, attractive, safe, functional and connected outdoor spaces for all.



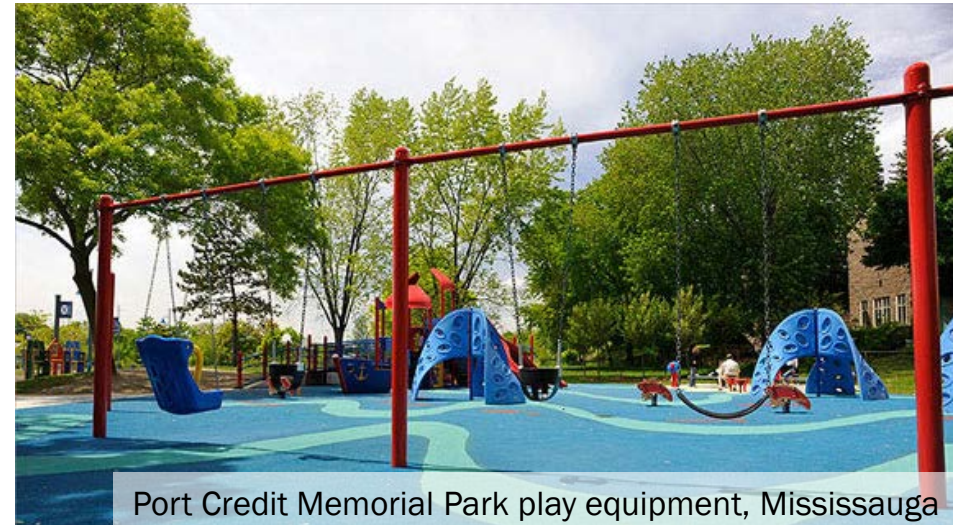
Community Recommendation 2.1

Improve existing parks

- Improved park entrances, extensive lighting, new play equipment, benches & washrooms
- Mix of hard & soft surfaces
- Splash pad/ice rink, community gardens



Jack Darling Park splash pad, Mississauga



Port Credit Memorial Park play equipment, Mississauga



Lighting in Maenouchi Children's Park, Hitachi



Jean Sibelius Square, Toronto

Community Recommendation 2.1

Improve existing parks



Sgt David Yakichuk Park Existing Condition

Community Recommendation 2.1

Improve existing parks



Community Recommendation 2.2

Create new parks in strategic locations

- Urban plaza or park on large GO Station lands
- Small parks, parkettes & parklets in strategic locations



Small urban park, Toronto



Seaton Walk Parkette, Toronto



Parklet, Port Credit

Community Recommendation 2.2

Create new parks in strategic locations



Community Recommendation 2.3

Encourage publicly accessible private open spaces

- New publicly accessible open spaces, such as walkways, gardens, courtyards & playgrounds



Publicly accessible private open space,
Shops at Don Mills, Toronto



Publicly accessible private open space,
Port Credit

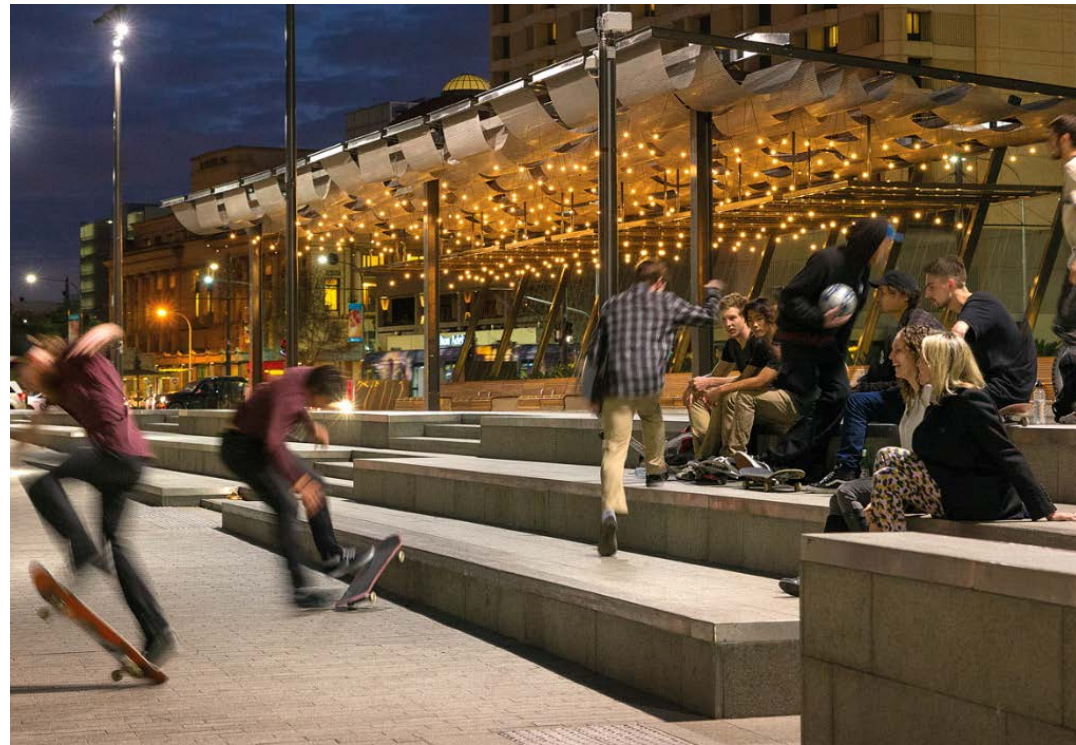
Community Recommendation 2.4

Create a dynamic square at the Four Corners

- Community programming & activities
- Public art & design improvements
- Framed by active uses



Farmers' Market, Oakville



Animated public square, Adelaide, Australia

Community Recommendation 2.4

Create a dynamic square at the Four Corners



Four Corners Existing Condition

Community Recommendation 2.4

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Principle 3

Community Facilities for Recreation and Services

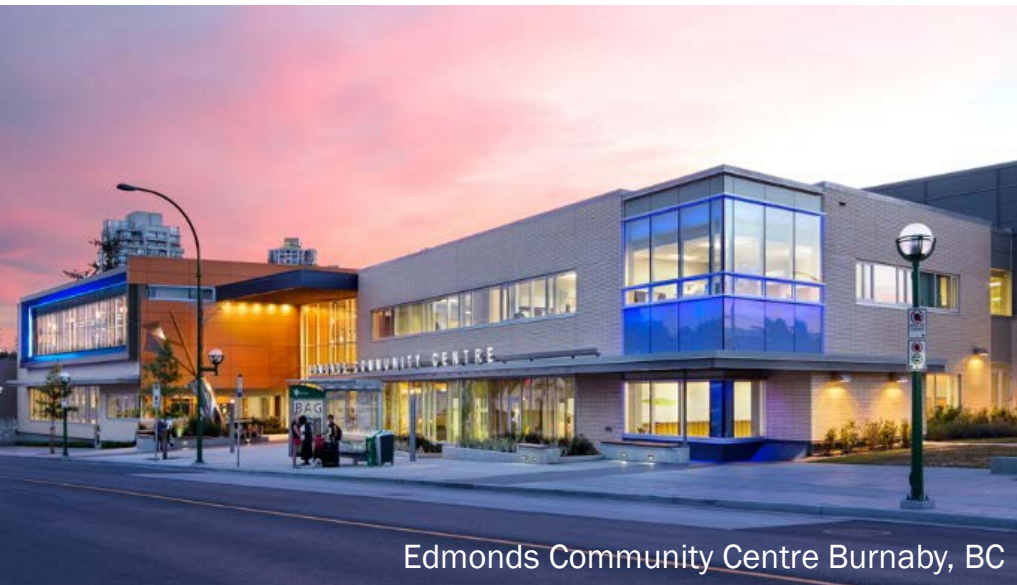
Downtown Cooksville will have community facilities that provide meeting and recreation spaces for residents and that support local community groups.



Community Recommendation 3.1

Provide more community and recreation spaces

- Larger & more visible library
- “Urban-sized” made-in-Cooksville community recreation centre
- Bright meeting rooms, gymnasium, community kitchen & additional spaces to support local programming & community groups



Edmonds Community Centre Burnaby, BC



Burnhamthorpe Library, Mississauga



Mount Pleasant Community Centre, Brampton

Community Recommendation 3.2

Expand cultural opportunities

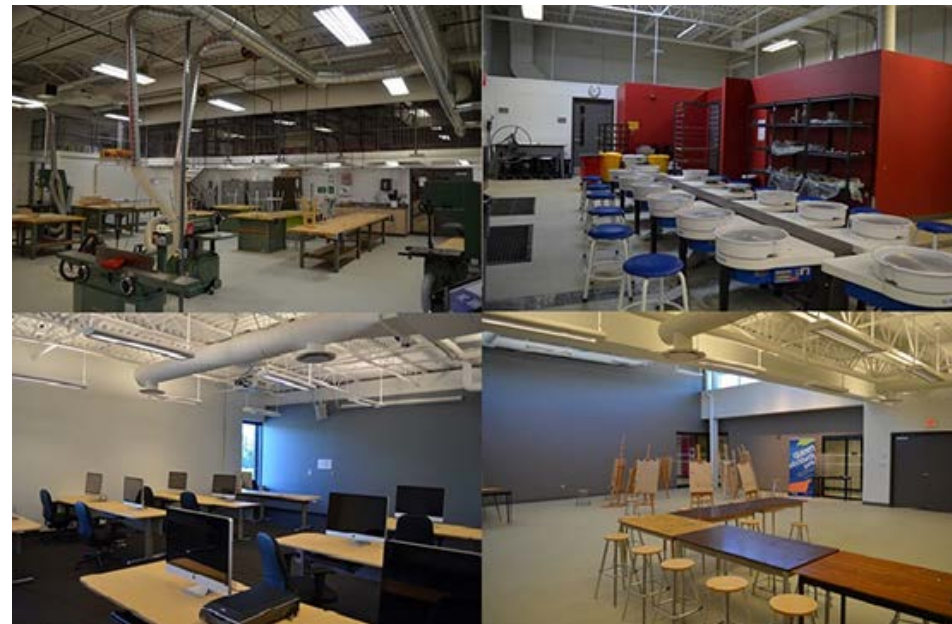
- Artist studios & performance spaces devoted to supporting local cultural programming



Malton Community Festival, Malton



Newton Community Festival, Surrey BC



Queen Elizabeth Community Hub Cultural/Educational Studios, Oakville

Community Recommendation 3.3

Create a Cooksville Community Hub

- Co-located community recreation centre, library & other community meetings rooms & outdoor spaces



Queen Elizabeth Community Hub, Oakville



Lavezzorio Community Center, Chicago



Queen Elizabeth Community Hub meeting area, Oakville

Community Recommendation 3.3

Create a Cooksville Community Hub



T.L. Kennedy Secondary School Site Existing Condition

Community Recommendation 3.3

Create a Cooksville Community Hub



Community Recommendation 3.3

Create a Cooksville Community Hub



Principle 4

Housing Opportunities and Choices

Downtown Cooksville will have a mix of housing types and tenures that meet the needs of all community members, new and established, young and old.



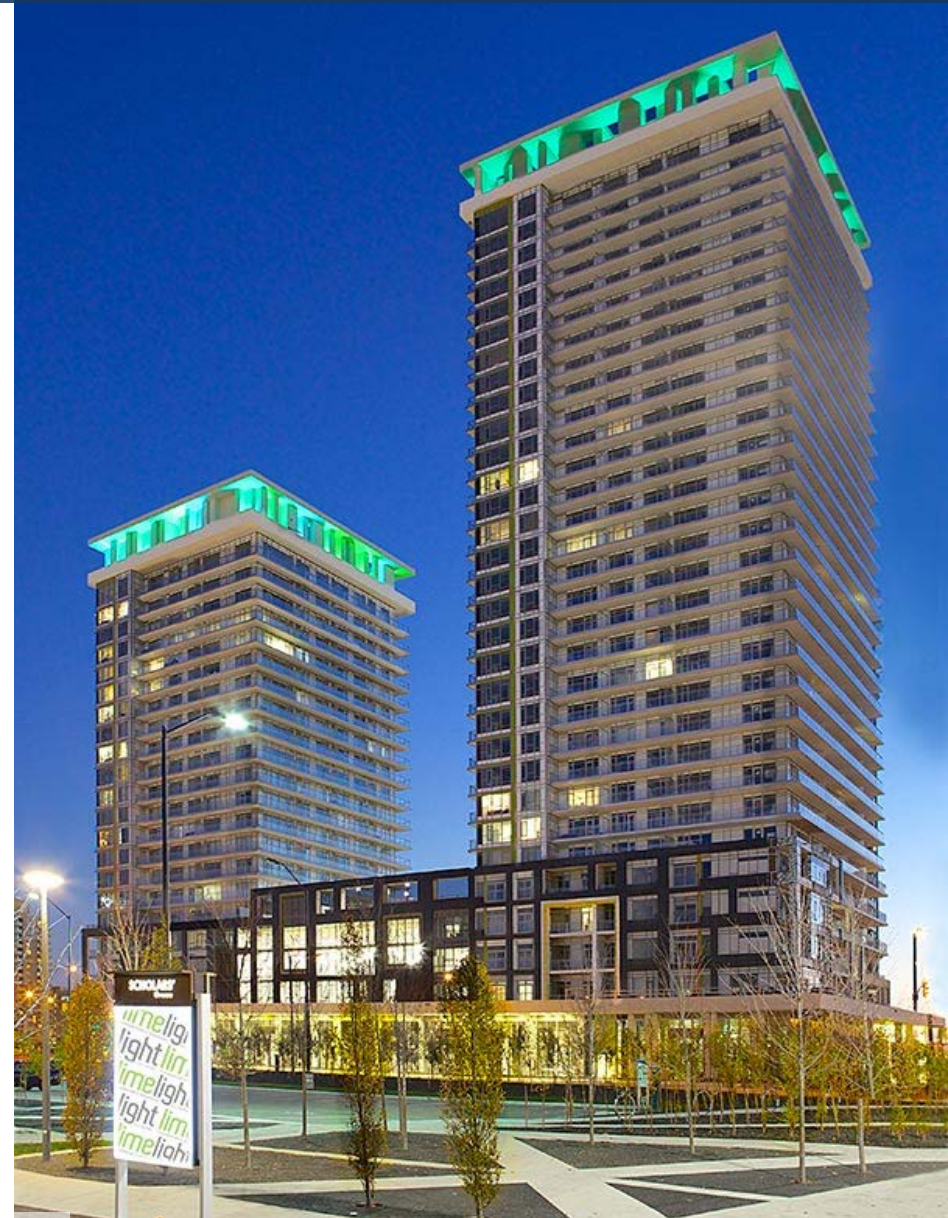
Community Recommendation 4.1

Increase the range of housing options through new developments

- Mix of built forms, including new mid-rise & high-rise residential/mixed use buildings
- High density developments with opportunities to integrate grade-related & family-oriented units



Park Side Village, Burnhamthorpe Rd W., Mississauga



Daniels Limelight, Prince of Wales Dr., Mississauga

Community Recommendation 4.2

Encourage improvements in the existing rental housing stock



- Preservation & improvement of existing rental buildings
- Better open spaces around buildings, functional meetings spaces inside
- Ongoing building maintenance

Community Recommendation 4.3

Create opportunities for homeownership

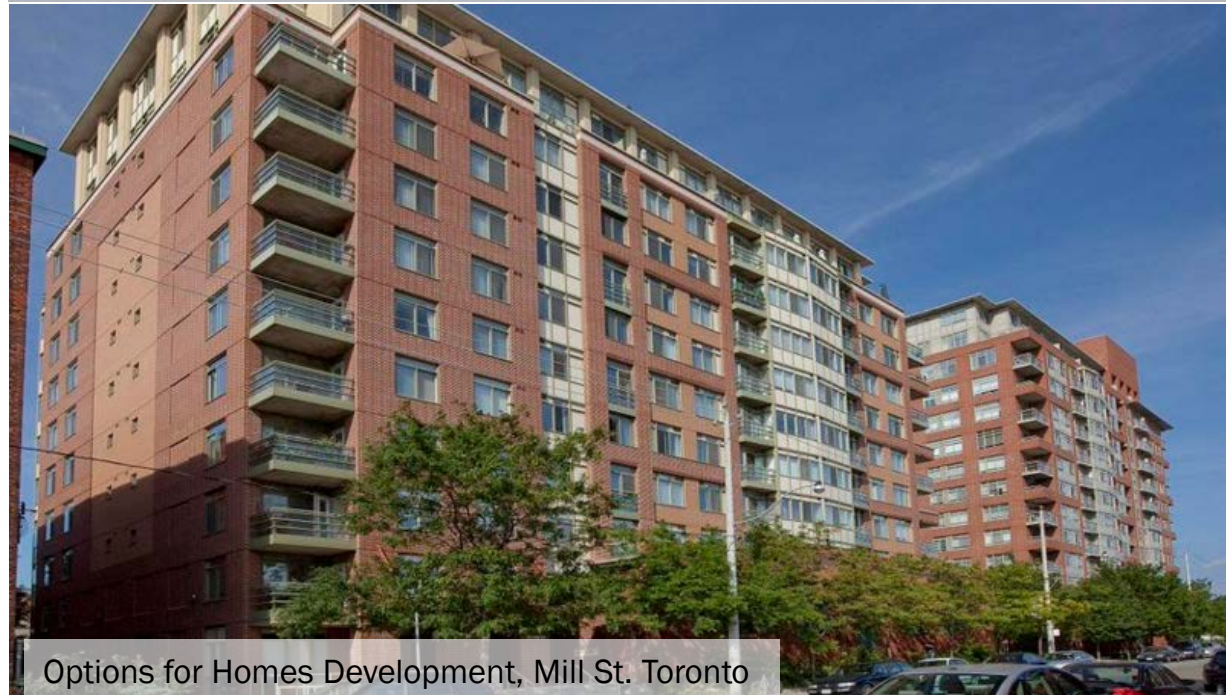
- Opportunities for homeownership in new developments



Daniels Erin Mills, Mississauga



Low rise affordable condos, Eglinton Ave. W & Winston Churchill Blvd, Mississauga



Options for Homes Development, Mill St. Toronto

Principle 5

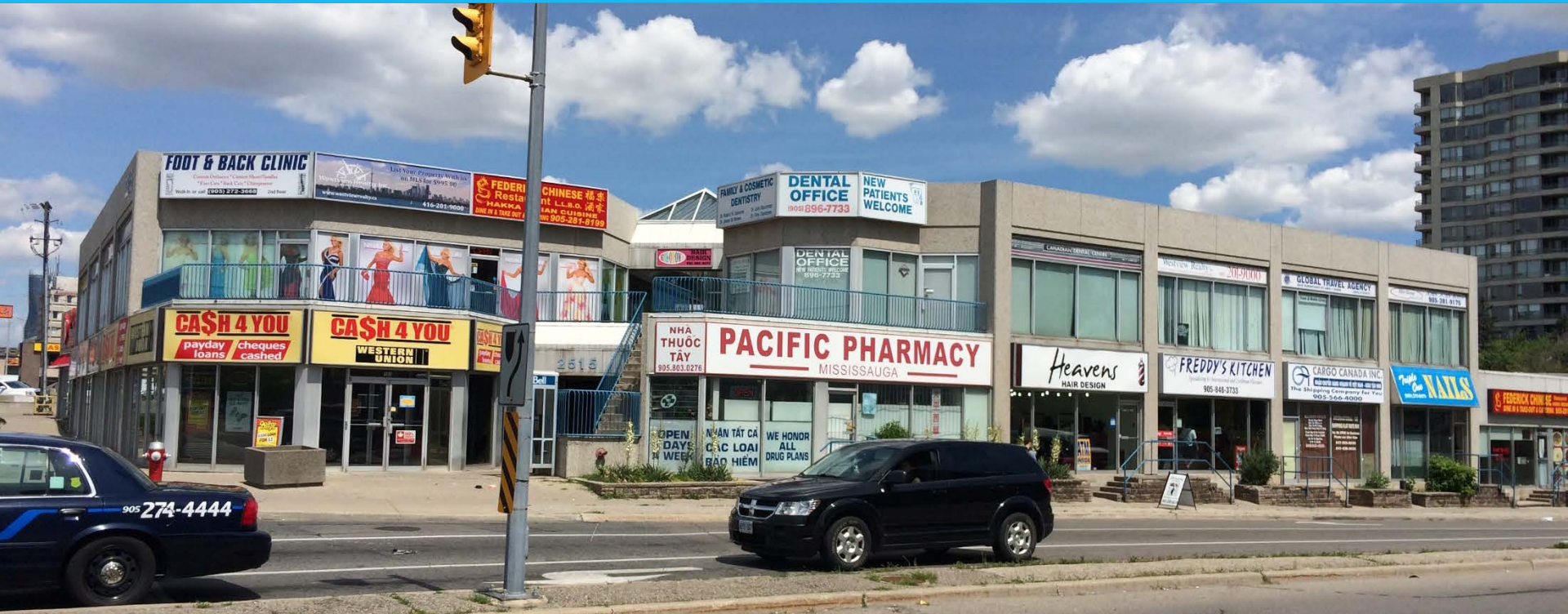
Local and Unique Businesses

Downtown Cooksville will be an area that continues to offer a diversity of local retailers and restaurants attracting people from all over Mississauga and the GTA to shop, eat and do business.



Community Recommendation 5.1

Encourage coordination among local businesses



- Encourage businesses to work together to bolster community vibrancy, coordinate physical improvements and promote economic development
- Creation of a Business Improvement Area (BIA) is one possible strategy for encouraging coordination among local businesses

Community Recommendation 5.2

Support small independent retail

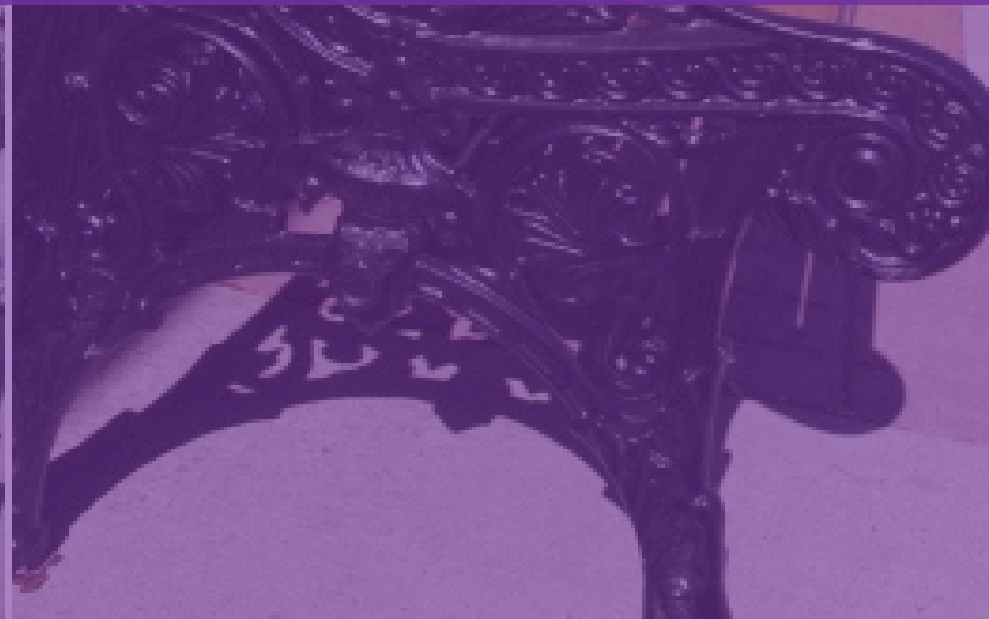
- Strengthen & retain Downtown Cooksville's small business landscape



Principle 6

A New Identity

Downtown Cooksville will have a strong and unique identity that celebrates its contemporary character while paying homage to its past.



Community Recommendation 6.1

Create a distinctive Cooksville identity

- Street signs, murals, and other visual markers to foster a distinctive Downtown Cooksville identity

5 & 10 – again!

Crossroads

Diverse

World at your doorstep

the city in the city

Downtown

Pride

the centre of the city

Brick Yard

History

Community Recommendation 6.2

Establish gateways and signage for Cooksville

- Murals & signage can be used to mark Downtown Cooksville key sites and gateways



Little Italy bridge underpass, Ottawa



Gateway signage, Streetsville



Islington Mosaic Heritage Mural Project

Community Recommendation 6.2

Establish gateways and signage for Cooksville



Cooksville CP Railway Bridge at Hurontario looking south Existing Condition

Community Recommendation 6.2

Establish gateways and signage for Cooksville



Community Recommendation 6.3

Support public art and beautification



'Migration' public art, Duke of York Blvd & Burnhamthorpe Rd., Mississauga



'Familia' public art, Harold E. Kennedy Park, Mississauga



Tree quilts, Hurontario St., Mississauga

- Encourage new development to feature public art
- Encourage beautification efforts such as public murals

Question & Answer

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Vision Cooksville Next Steps

Tonight

Seeking community
endorsement and feedback

March 11

Community feedback accepted
until this date

March-June

Action plan will be developed by a
cross departmental City working team

June

Vision and action plan goes to City
Council for approval

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