



Yonge Street and Davis Drive Streetscape Master Plan Update

York Region Accessibility Advisory Committee

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Agenda

- Project Background
- Streetscape Master Plan Vision
- Accessibility Features and Benefits
- Next Steps



Project Background

- Vision 2051/Regional Official Plan/
Newmarket Secondary Plan
- 2015: Project Commencement
- 2016: Project Update to York Region Accessibility Advisory Committee

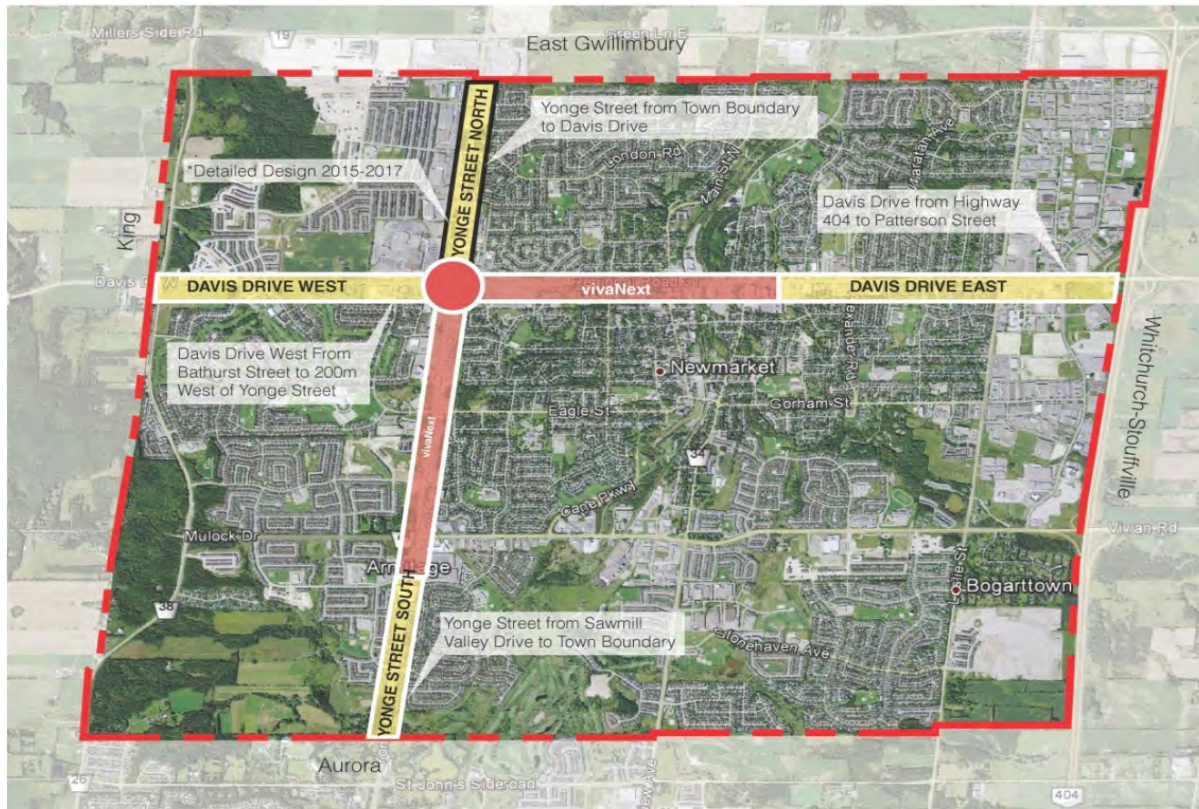


Universal Access

- Universal access is a fundamental philosophy and approach to designing streets and public spaces
- Streetscape design endeavours a safe, seamless and attractive public realm accessible to all modes of transportation
- Legislation supports universal access

Working towards removing barriers in public spaces

Streetscape Master Plan Context



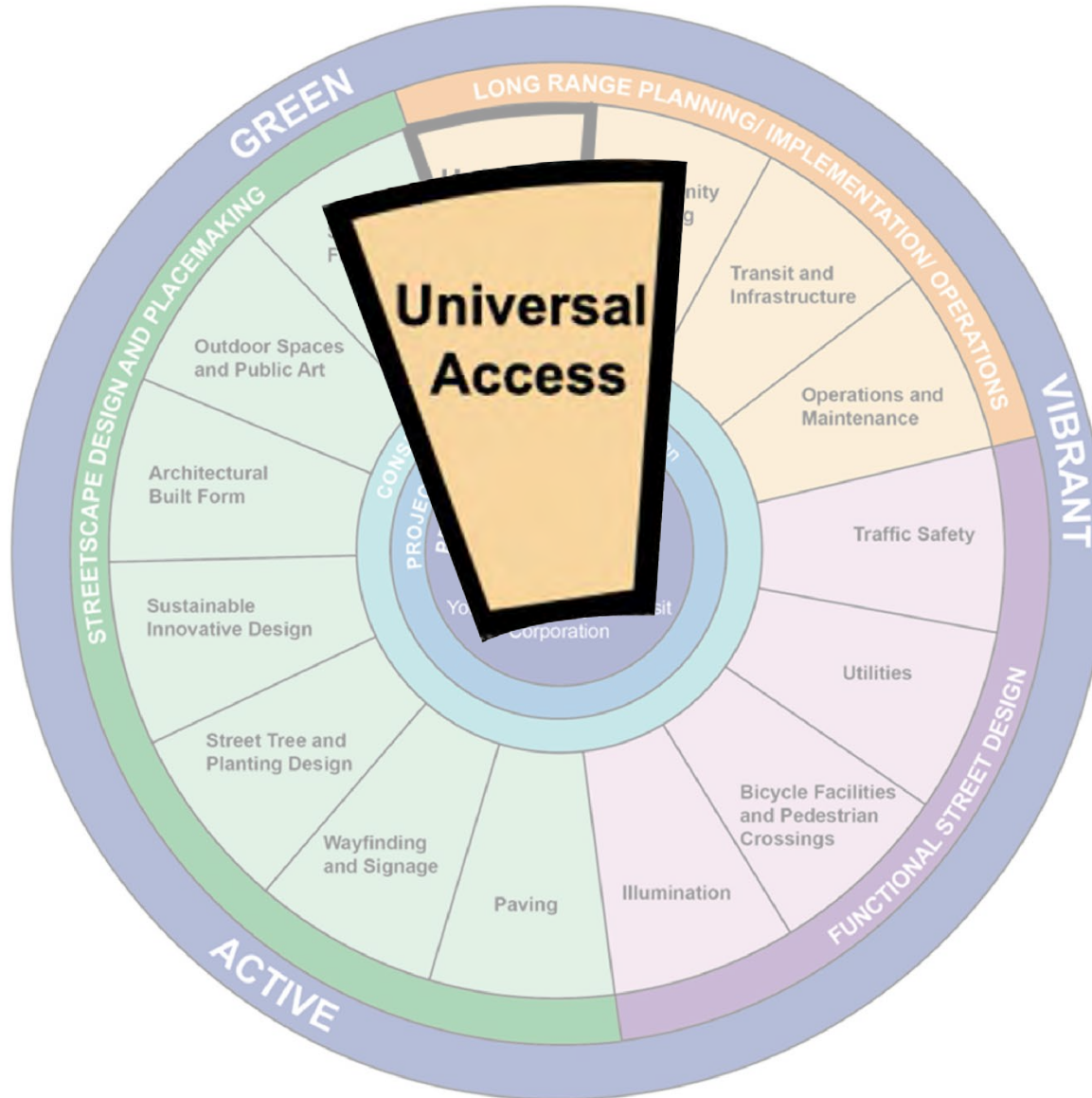
Proactive approach in creating a streetscape vision for Yonge Street and Davis Drive

Objectives

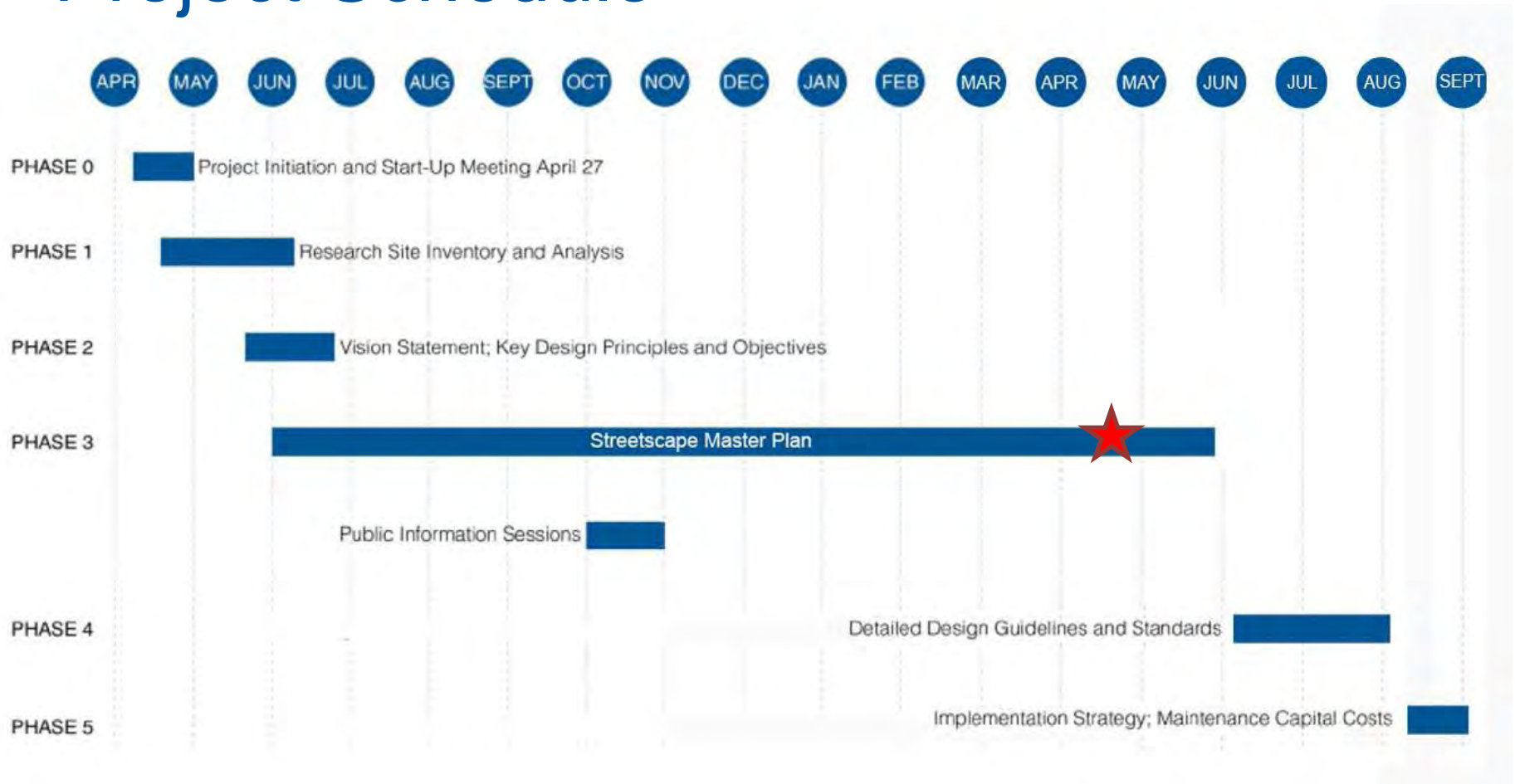
- Vision for the segments of Yonge Street and Davis Drive outside VivaNext
- A bold vision for a coordinated and accessible Yonge Street and Davis Drive

The SMP will serve as a tool for York Region and local municipalities to leverage streetscape through development

Design Components



Project Schedule



Schedule is linked to the Yonge Street North project

Existing Accessibility Challenges



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Davis Drive West

Existing Accessibility Challenges



Davis Drive East

Existing Accessibility Challenges



Yonge Street South

Existing Accessibility Challenges



Yonge Street North

What Makes a Street Accessible?



Visioning Workshop: June 2015



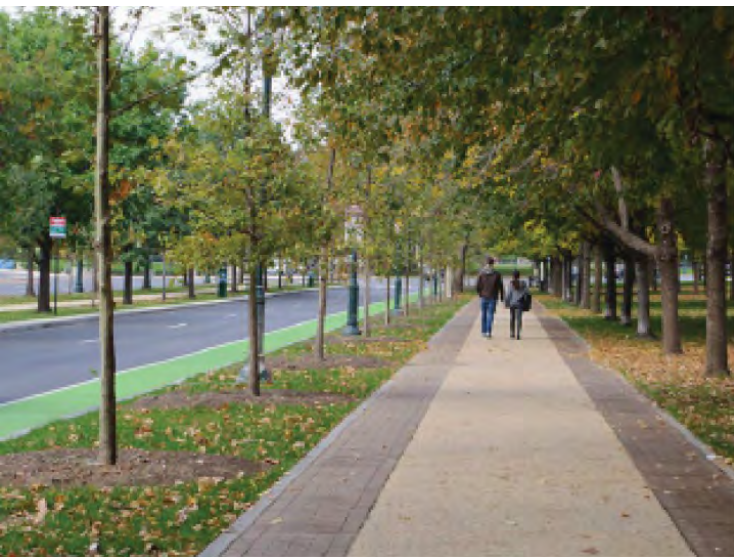
Outcomes of Visioning Workshop

Overall Vision



Accessibility Features/Benefits

- Continuous sidewalks prioritize pedestrian circulation to transit stops
- Wider and planted boulevards that are comfortable and pedestrian-friendly spaces
- Distinctive wayfinding to promote universal accessibility (paving patterns, signage, banners)



Accessibility Features/Benefits

- Intersections with defined crosswalks, and curb ramps
- Tree planting, planters, lighting, and benches provide comfort and scale
- Consistent and similar design to Viva



Bathurst Street and Davis Drive



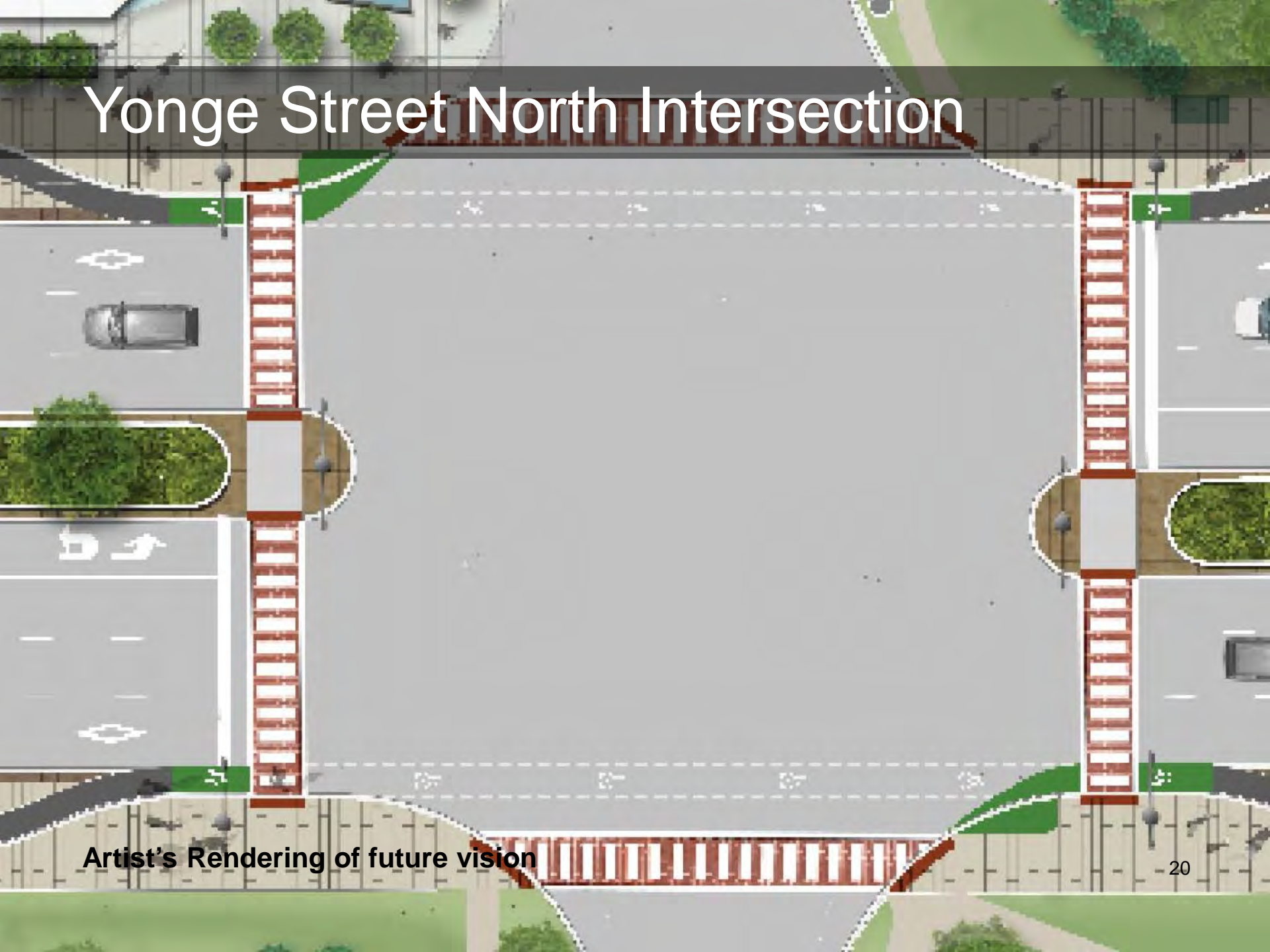
Artist's Rendering of future vision

Yonge Street and Davis Drive



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Yonge Street North Intersection



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Davis Drive West Commercial Area



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Consultation/ Presentations

- **Town Council Workshop**
October 5, 2015
- **Growth & Development**
November 2, 2015
- **Public Information Session**
November 4, 2015
- **Right Sizing Our Street**
January 12, 2016
- **York Region Accessibility
Advisory Committee**
April 27, 2016



Next Steps ...

- **Phase 3**
To be completed
- **Phase 4**
Detailed Design Guidelines
- **Phase 5**
Implementation Strategy
- **FINAL Report and Presentations:**
 - Regional Council:
October 2016
 - Town Council:
October 2016



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