THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE

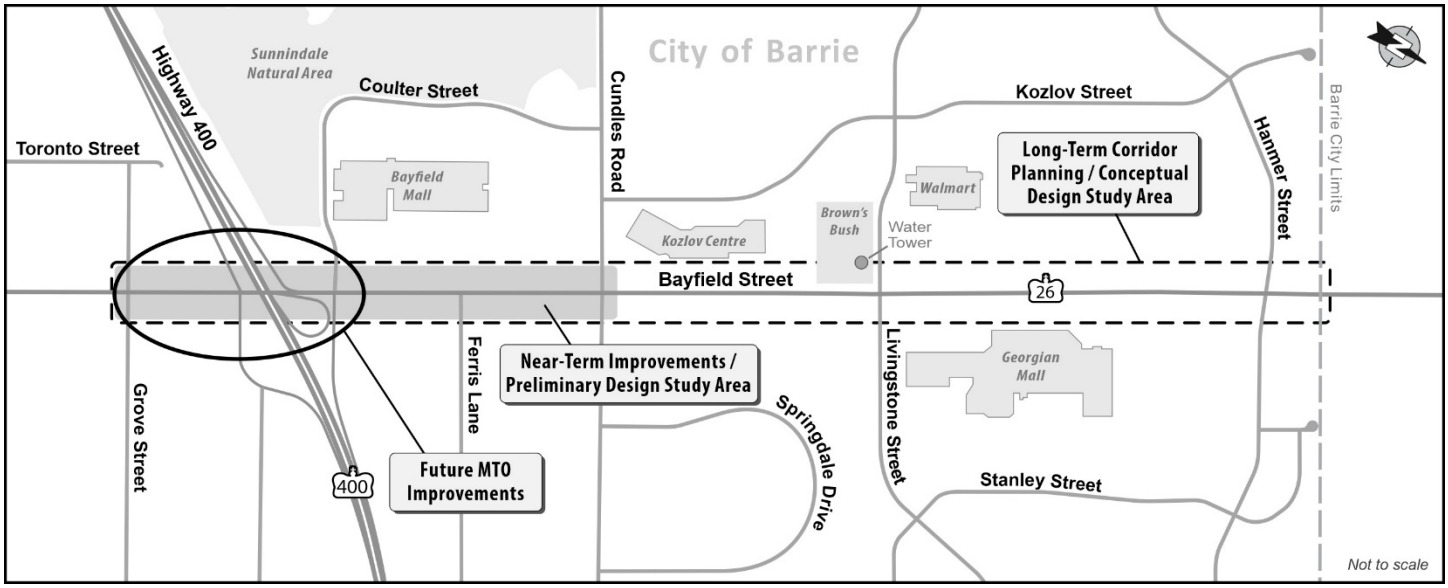
August 30, 2024

To All Area Residents / Business Owners / Tenants / Agencies

RE: BAYFIELD STREET TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE NO. 2 AND INVITATION TO ATTEND

THE STUDY

The City of Barrie has retained WSP Canada Inc. (WSP) to complete a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) Study for transportation improvements on Bayfield Street from Grove Street to the City of Barrie limits. The location of the work to be completed is shown on the map below. The purpose of this letter is to invite members of the public to attend Public Information Centre (PIC) No. 2.



PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE NO. 2

PIC No. 2 is being hosted by the City of Barrie to provide the latest project information including community feedback, alternative planning solutions under consideration, the evaluation and identification of a preferred planning solution and next steps in the study process.

Date:	Monday, September 23, 2024
Time:	5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (drop-in anytime)
Location:	Multi-purpose Room, 2nd Floor, East Bayfield Community Centre, 80 Livingstone St East.

Presentation materials will be shared online following the PIC at www.buildingbarrie.ca/bayfieldstudy.

IMPORTANT STUDY INFORMATION
Based on work completed to date, the study team is considering two significant changes to address corridor deficiencies:

Traffic Capacity Improvements
Preliminary analysis suggests expanding the Bayfield Street corridor to accommodate a third travel lane in each direction and potential active transportation infrastructure additions. This would require the City of Barrie to acquire some private property on each side of the corridor.

Road Safety Improvements
Early findings indicate the need to consider a raised median on Bayfield Street to address road safety issues associated with uncontrolled driveway accesses through the corridor. A raised median would restrict left turns in and out of private driveways, which are hazardous and cause preventable collisions.

Note that these changes are under consideration and the study team is seeking public input. Details for these changes will be presented at PIC No. 3 in Spring 2025.

HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?
- Attend the upcoming PIC
- Register to the project mailing list to receive the latest project news, updates and notices of events at www.buildingbarrie.ca/bayfieldstudy
- Visit the project website at www.buildingbarrie.ca/bayfieldstudy to check out project content, documents, access project engagement tools and view previous PIC event material
- Provide formal project comments through the online comment form available on the project website

Please provide any comments by **October 18, 2024**.

If you would like to reach a project representative directly, please contact:

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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.

cc: Councillor Craig Nixon, Ward 2
Councillor Ann-Marie Kungl, Ward 3
Councillor Amy Courser, Ward 4
Michelle Banfield, Executive Director of Development Services