Welcome!

The purpose of this meeting is to:

- Introduce the Project
- Describe the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process
- Collect input on problems, opportunities and potential solutions for the project
- Discuss next steps in the process and how you can get involved
The Town of Whitby, in partnership with the Region of Durham, is undertaking an EA study to investigate modifications to Brock Street South and Water Street in order to:

- Provide a gateway to the Whitby Waterfront
- Accommodate active transportation needs
- Facilitate re-development
- Address road alignment and drainage deficiencies
- Accommodate future traffic demand
The Study Area includes:

- **Brock Street South** (Regional Road 46), from Victoria Street East to Front Street and from 250 m south of the existing Pringle Creek Bridge to Water Street

- **Water Street** from Brock Street South to South Blair Street

The Study Area does not include:

- Brock Street South at the Pringle Creek Bridge, which is being addressed in the separate Pringle Creek Bridge EA
**Whitby Council 2014-18 Goals:**

- To enhance the safety of our local streets and neighbourhoods by reducing traffic speeds and impacts through design standards that support traffic-calming and safe speeds across the community; to increase citizen involvement in building safe streets; to effectively manage parking on residential streets and in our downtowns; and to reduce the traffic impact of new developments on existing neighbourhoods.

- To remain the community of choice for families and become the community of choice for seniors and job creators; and to focus new growth around the principles of strong, walkable and complete neighbourhoods that offer mobility choices.

- To become the destination of choice for visitors across Durham Region and the Greater Toronto Area; to realize the economic and social potential of our downtowns, waterfront and green spaces in developing local tourism; and to create more things to do and places to enjoy.
Town of Whitby Waterfront Parks and Open Space Master Plan (2016)

- Developed the Town’s strategic vision for the Waterfront and strategies to enhance the Waterfront as a recreation and tourism destination
- Vision Statement: “Bringing People to the Waterfront”
- Whitby Waterfront shall be a vital destination which balances and protects its significant natural, cultural and built features, while providing a variety of attractions for persons of all ages and abilities

- **Water Street Improvements**
  A portion of Water Street would be transformed into a green and vibrant street

- **Waterfront Trail Improvements**
  Trail widening, improved connections and provision of seating areas and other amenities

- **Parking Improvements**
  Provide a ‘garden’ surface parking area and improved access to the parks at the waterfront
Vision for the Whitby Waterfront:

“As the gateway to the Whitby Waterfront, the opportunity now exists to provide for the transition of Port Whitby to transform into a vibrant people place where change is encouraged in key areas but balanced with the protection of existing uses and built form.”
Existing Road Configuration

- Brock Street South (Regional Road 46) (from Victoria Street to Front Street)
  - Two-lane urban (with curb and gutter) road
  - 50 km/h speed limit
  - Sidewalk on both sides

- Brock Street South (Regional Road 46) (from 250 m south of the existing Pringle Creek Bridge to Water Street)
  - Two-lane rural road (with roadside ditches)
  - 50 km/h speed limit
  - Paved multi-use trail (Waterfront Trail) along the west side of the street

- Water Street (from Brock Street South to South Blair Street)
  - Two-lane rural road (primarily with roadside ditches)
  - 40 km/h speed limit
  - No separate pedestrian or cycling facilities
This study is following the requirements for a Schedule ‘C’ Municipal Class EA process under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

**Municipal Class EA Process**

**Phase 1: Problem and Opportunity**
- Identify problem or opportunity

**Phase 2: Alternative Solutions**
- Identify alternative solutions to problem or opportunity
- Document existing conditions of natural, social and economic environments
- Identify impacts of alternative solutions on the environment and mitigation measures
- Evaluate alternative solutions and identify recommended solution
- Consult the public and agencies regarding the problem or opportunity and alternative solutions

**Phase 3: Alternative Design Concepts for Preferred Solution**
- Identify alternative designs for preferred solution
- Document detailed inventory of natural, social and economic environments
- Identify impacts of alternative designs on the environment and mitigation measures
- Evaluate alternative designs and identify recommended design
- Consult the public and agencies on recommended design

**Phase 4: Environmental Study Report**
- Select preferred design
- Preliminary finalization of preferred design
- Complete Environmental Study Report
- Place Environmental Study Report on public record
- Notice of Completion and commencement of 30-day public and agency review period
- Opportunity to request a Part II Order (within 30-day notification period)

**Legend**
- Mandatory point of contact
Using the provided sticky notes and study area map as a reference, answer the following question:

- What is your vision for the future of the study area?

Road improvements will enhance the gateway to the Whitby Waterfront, and provide opportunities for better pedestrian, cycling and Waterfront Trail connections on Brock Street South and Water Street. These improvements will facilitate re-development in the area. The improvements will also address road alignment and drainage deficiencies while accommodating traffic demand.
Next Steps

- Review comments received from this COH
- Refine the Problem / Opportunity Statement based on public input
- Complete background studies to better understand the Study Area
- Identify and evaluate Alternative Solutions for the identified problems
- Recommend a preferred solution for the Project
- Present these results at COH #2 for review and comment
Thank You For Attending!

We appreciate the time you have taken to learn more about the Brock Street South / Water Street EA. A copy of these display boards can be found on the Project website provided below.

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• Visit the Project website:
  ➢ www.whitby.ca/studies (available starting November 20, 2018)
• Join our mailing list:
  ➢ leave us an email or mailing address so we can keep you up-to-date as the study progresses
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