



Notice of Regional Planning and Works Committee Meeting

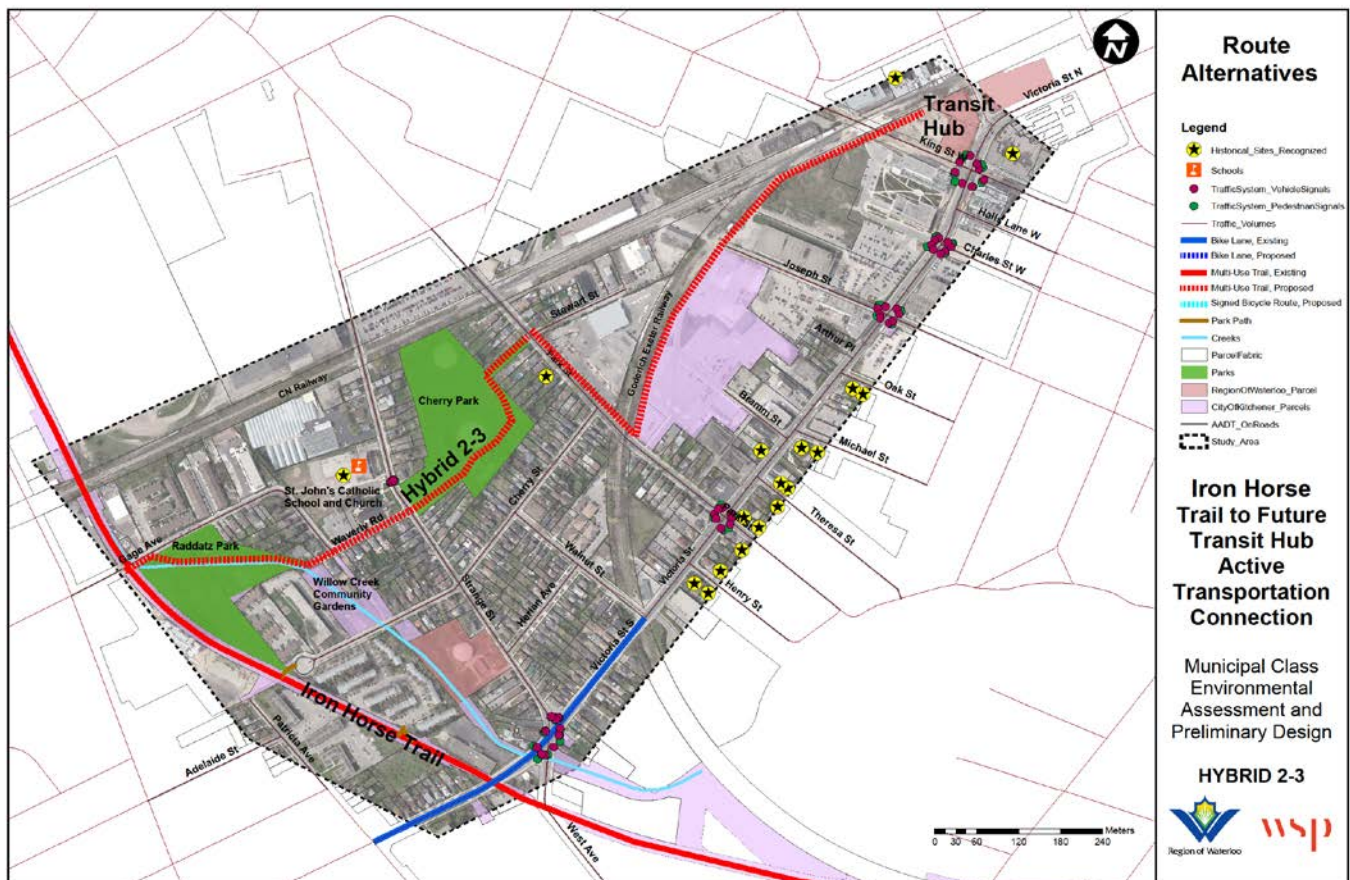
Iron Horse Trail to Future Transit Hub Active Transportation Connection,

Schedule 'B' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment and Preliminary Design Study

In March 2017 the Region of Waterloo initiated a Schedule "B" Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study to improve the cycling and walking connection between the Iron Horse Trail and the future Transit Hub in the City of Kitchener. The study is being conducted in accordance with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

A number of alternatives were evaluated during this study. These alternatives, including a preliminary preferred alternative, were presented at the Public Consultation Centre held on June 6, 2017. Many comments were raised by the public, including preference for a connection that is entirely off-road.

To address these comments, a hybrid alternative that is composed of portions of Alternatives 2 and 3 was developed. The Hybrid 2-3 Alternative would include a multi-use trail between the Iron Horse Trail (near Gage Avenue) and the future Transit Hub (near King Street) in Kitchener, following Willow Creek into Raddatz Park and Waverly Road, crossing into Cherry Park, crossing Park Street and running on the east side of Park Street between Stewart Street and the south limit of the GEXR railway bridge. The route would then run along the south side of the GEXR railway to King Street and the future Transit Hub (refer to the attached map).



The study recommends proceeding with the Hybrid 2-3 Alternative as the Recommended Alternative for detailed design and construction.

A report recommending the Hybrid 2-3 Alternative will be on the agenda of the Regional Planning and Works Committee at its regular meeting to be held as follows:

Date: Tuesday, August 22, 2017

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Location: Regional Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 150 Frederick Street, Kitchener, ON

Members of the public who have an interest in the project are invited to attend this meeting. Anyone wishing to confirm the start time or register as a delegation can contact the Region's Council and Administrative Services Division at 519-575-4400 before 4:30 P.M., August 21, 2017.

Please direct questions about this study to:

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