

MEDIA RELEASE

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Have your say on Bayfield Street transportation improvements Complete the survey and provide comments on the public presentation

(Barrie, ON) – The City of Barrie will be making transportation improvements on Bayfield Street and wants to hear from residents on their current experience and what changes the City should consider making for the future.

To accommodate planned growth and infrastructure renewal needs, the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is replacing the existing Bayfield Street interchange and bridge starting in 2026, widening Bayfield Street to six lanes. The MTO project requires the City of Barrie to make corresponding transportation improvements on Bayfield Street from Coulter Street to Cundles Road.

The first phase of this project is a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study, which is now underway, to find ways to make improvements to all modes of travel, including pedestrians, transit users, cyclists, and motorists.

A <u>pre-recorded video presentation</u> outlining the project is available for viewing on <u>buildingbarrie.ca/BayfieldStudy</u>. Barrie residents are invited to provide comments regarding this presentation by April 19, via the <u>comment form</u>.

Feedback is also welcome by completing the survey, which is also open until April 19.

The Bayfield Street project will have two more opportunities for public feedback—one in fall 2024 and one in spring 2025. These events will present more detailed information on proposed plans as the study progresses.

Learn more about the project and share your feedback at buildingbarrie.ca/BayfieldStudy.

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