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### EGLINTON CROSSTOWN, TORONTO (LINE 5)



IMAGE SOURCE: [HTTP://WWW.THECROSSTOWN.CA/THENEXTPHASEBEGINS](http://www.thecrosstown.ca/thenextphasebegins)

#### **A New Connecting Line**

A Light Rail Transit (LRT) line running east-west along Eglinton Avenue. Construction is well underway – above and below ground on the 19-kilometre route with complete separation from traffic.



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#### **GEOGRAPHY**

Spans Midtown Toronto from Mount Dennis in the west to Kennedy in the east

#### **THE LINE**

19km: 10km underground and 9km above – with 25 stations along the route

#### **ESTIMATED PROJECT COST**

\$9.1 billion – 30-year contract to build and maintain the line

#### **CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE**

Groundbreaking: November 2011  
Expected completion: September 2021

#### **OWNERSHIP & OPERATION**

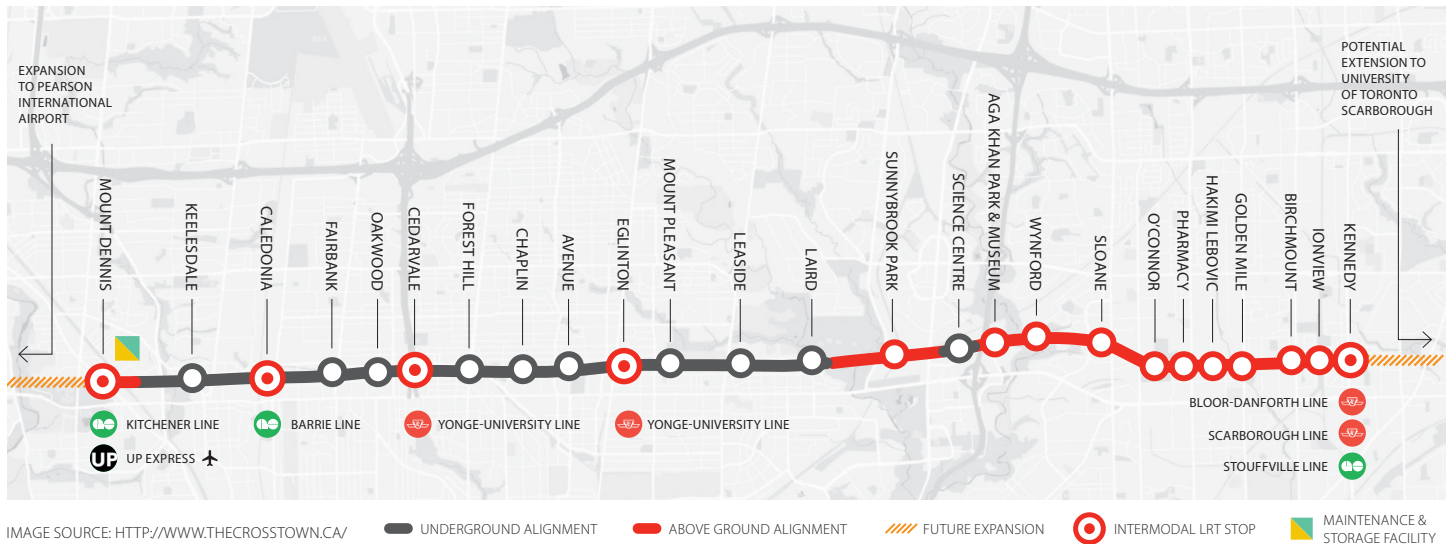
Owned by Metrolinx. Operated by The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC). Construction by SNC Lavalin-led consortium

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### GETTING ACROSS TOWN FASTER

As the population of the City of Toronto rises rapidly, connecting people to jobs is an increasing concern, in conjunction with managing traffic congestion. Better, faster transit is needed between communities, which the Eglinton Crosstown promises to help deliver. It is estimated the route currently takes 113 minutes to traverse by bus; the LRT promises to reduce the trip to 64 minutes. The line will connect with several other transit routes, creating numerous additional points of access – notably three subway stations (Cedarvale, Eglinton, Kennedy), 54 bus routes and GO Transit’s Kitchener, Barrie, Stouffville and UP Express lines. Additionally, future plans to expand the line at both ends are in the works. There have been proposals to expand to Pearson International Airport in the west and University of Toronto Scarborough campus in the east.



- » Originally announced in 2007 by then-Toronto mayor David Miller as part of the Transit City plan as a 43-stop route originating at Pearson International Airport. The project has gone through several iterations, before arriving at the 19-km route now under construction.
- » The line is being constructed by a consortium led by SNC Lavalin. In July 2010, Metrolinx ordered four tunnel-boring machines at a cost of \$54 million.
- » The project kicked off with tunnel construction commencement in October 2011, and officially broke ground on November 9, 2011.
- » In January 2019, the first vehicles arrived in Toronto from Bombardier’s Thunder Bay plant for inspection and testing. The balance are expected to arrive in time for the line’s opening.
- » Construction has met all major milestones and is on schedule for an expected completion date of September 2021.
- » In November 2019, The Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) committed an additional \$40 million (\$38 million previously invested) in support of the Crosstown connection west to Pearson International Airport. The funding is to advance the technical work necessary to complete the extension.



**Top speed 80km/h -  
Average speed 28km/h**



**Capacity: 163 persons, up  
to three vehicles can be  
connected to carry up to 490**



**100% electric**



**Cross the city  
60% faster**



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### TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT TAKING SHAPE

As developers search for economical building sites across the city, less expensive land parcels outside the core – where higher densities and land-use potential combined with rapid transit – represent an ideal scenario for future growth. Many such locations are concentrated along the eastern half of the Crosstown line – where large sites are ripe for redevelopment.

Since the announcement of the Eglinton Crosstown, numerous real estate development proposals have come forth. Large-scale mixed-use projects have been proposed to make use of under-utilized sites – proposing to address existing deficiencies within the communities. These projects rely on the efficiencies of mass transit and promise to add employment opportunities and deliver new convenient housing options along the way.

Official plan amendments are underway on several sites to establish the framework for new master-planned communities – a sure sign the route will lead to an increase in density in the years ahead. The Laird Road area in the community of Leaside, to the east of Yonge Street is preparing for growth with the “Laird in Focus OPA” having recently been adopted. The midtown employment and retail node is being readied for a new urban mixed-use community in time for the opening of the Eglinton Crosstown LRT. Crosstown will also extend the midtown hub of Yonge and Eglinton further east and west, potentially creating a major corridor similar to Bloor Street. Several prominent new towers have recently been announced near the intersection, including “Untitled”, a two-tower, 750-unit a joint venture between Reserve Properties and Westdale Properties.



VIEW LOOKING SOUTHEAST OF THE CROSSTOWN COMMUNITY (FORMER CELESTICA CAMPUS) AT DON MILLS AND EGLINTON

### NOTABLE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Location	Project	Size	Developable Area	Use(s)	Owner / Developer
2180/2190/2200 Yonge St.	Canada Square	9.2 acres	TBD	Mixed-use	Toronto Transit Commission / CT REIT / Oxford Properties
175 Wynford Dr.	Don Valley Hotel	5.4 acres	TBD	Condos and hotel	Allied Don Valley Hotel
1095 Leslie St.	Auberge on the Park	6.5 acres	1,065,600 sf	Condos and townhomes	Tridel
1150 Eglinton Ave. E. & 844 Don Mills Rd.	The Crosstown community (Former Celestica campus)	60.5 acres	650,000 sf of office, 120,000 sf of commercial and retail	4,974 units in low, medium, high-rise, including nine residential towers up to 48 storeys	Don Mills (ARH) Homes Ltd.
1880 Eglinton Ave. E.	Choice Properties REIT Intensification plan	18 acres	2,943,200 sf	Mixed-use community	Choice Properties REIT
1900 Eglinton Ave. E.	SmartCentres' Golden Mile	28.4 acres	5,302,900 sf	Mixed-use community	Calloway REIT
1 Eglinton Square	KS Eglinton Square	15 acres	2,224,900 sf	Condos, townhomes and retail space	KingSett Capital
1891 Eglinton Ave. E.	Intensification plan	12.6 acres	1,589,700 sf	Condos	2004085 Ontario Inc.
1966-2050 Eglinton Ave. E.	RioCan Intensification plan	26.5 acres	3,229,200 sf	Mixed-use community	RioCan REIT

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*Studies throughout North America consistently demonstrate properties adjacent to higher order transit experience enhanced value.*

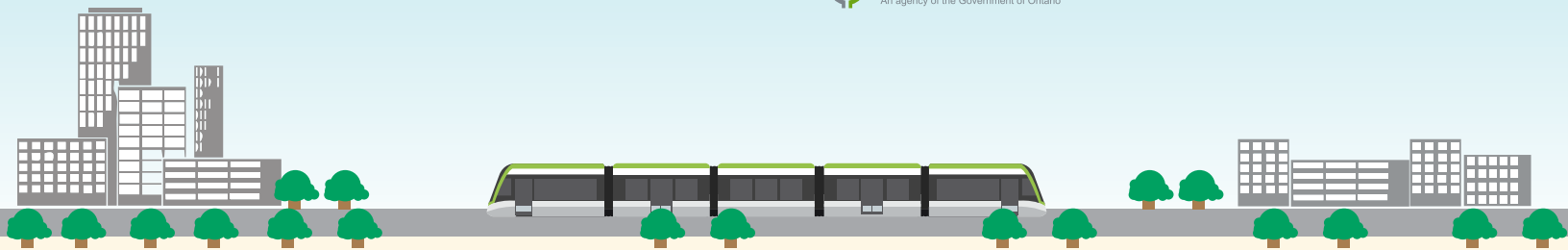


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