

# 4611 King Street East Traffic

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## Traffic Red Flags & Warnings

The applicant's consultant should have evaluated whether a right-turn lane into the site is warranted; however, Transportation Planning would be unlikely to approve this measure on King Street East and therefore this is not critical.

**-ROW**

City staff have flagged concerns for vehicle movements both current and future to Regional transportation staff.

**-Kitchener**

Please provide justification for Sportsworld Dr trips as this appears to be less attractive being parallel to Highway 401.

**-MTO**

Regional staff wish to provide the following with respect to the viability and functioning of the site over the long term: The TIS projects that delays leaving the site in both the AM and PM peak hours will be long, leading to significant queuing on-site.

**-ROW**

It is recommended the Region of Waterloo and Ministry of Transportation monitor the traffic volumes and signal timing plans throughout the King Street East corridor to identify opportunities to improve traffic operations.

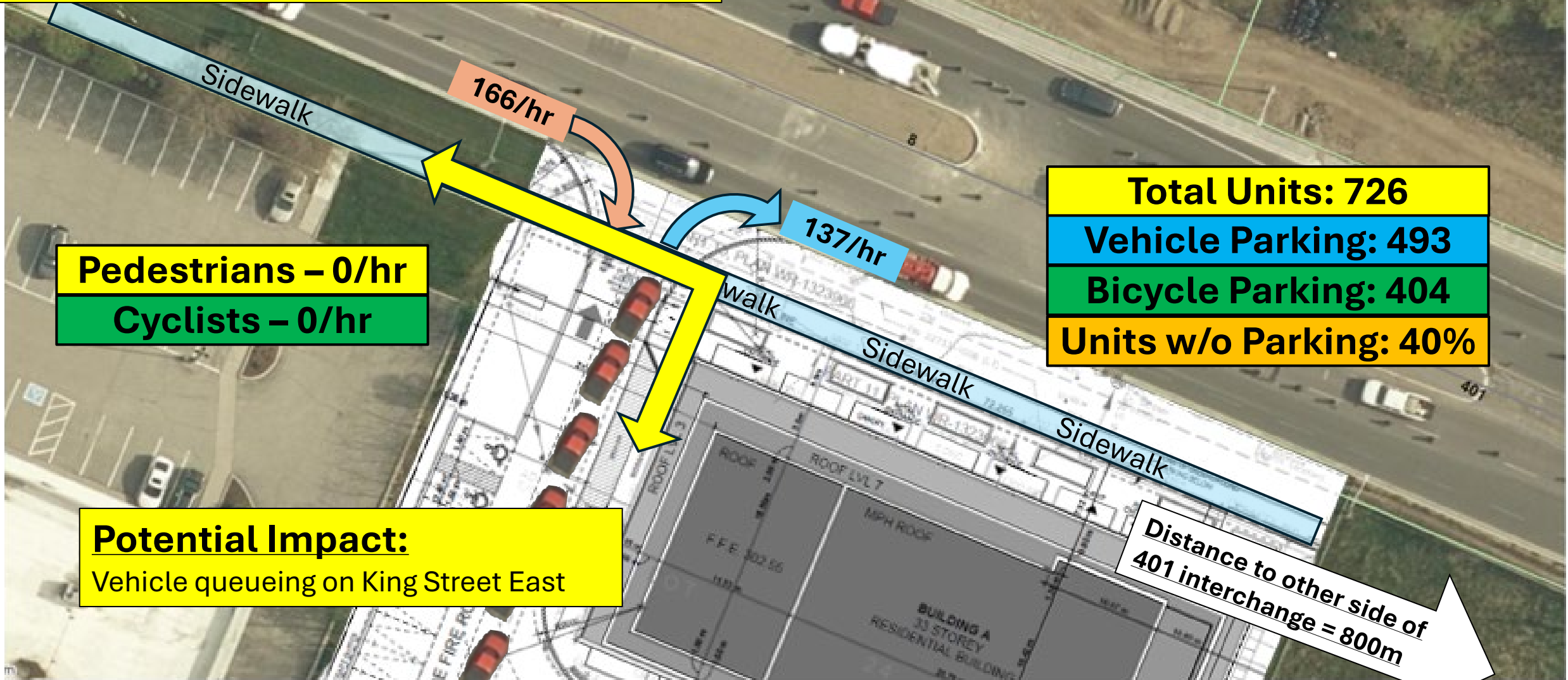
**-Paradigm (applicant)**

**ROW Review Comments:**

“The applicant’s consultant should have evaluated whether a right-turn lane into the site is warranted; however, Transportation Planning would be unlikely to approve this measure on King Street East and therefore this is not critical.”

**Traffic Study Assumptions:**

- 1) No pedestrians crossing driveway
- 2) No bicycle activity either crossing driveway or with vehicle flow



**Pedestrians – 0/hr**  
**Cyclists – 0/hr**

**Total Units: 726**  
**Vehicle Parking: 493**  
**Bicycle Parking: 404**  
**Units w/o Parking: 40%**

**Potential Impact:**  
 Vehicle queueing on King Street East

**Distance to other side of 401 interchange = 800m**

# Vehicle access points compared to other developments

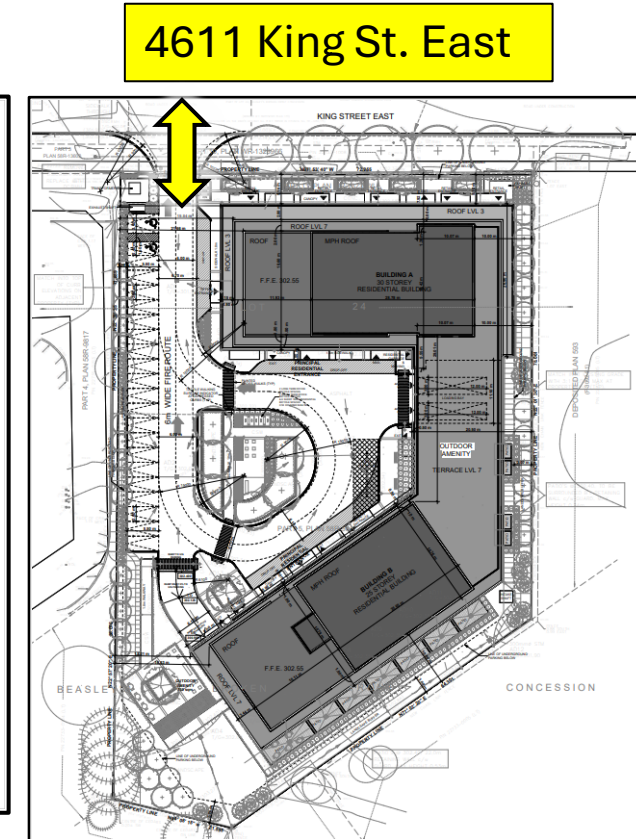
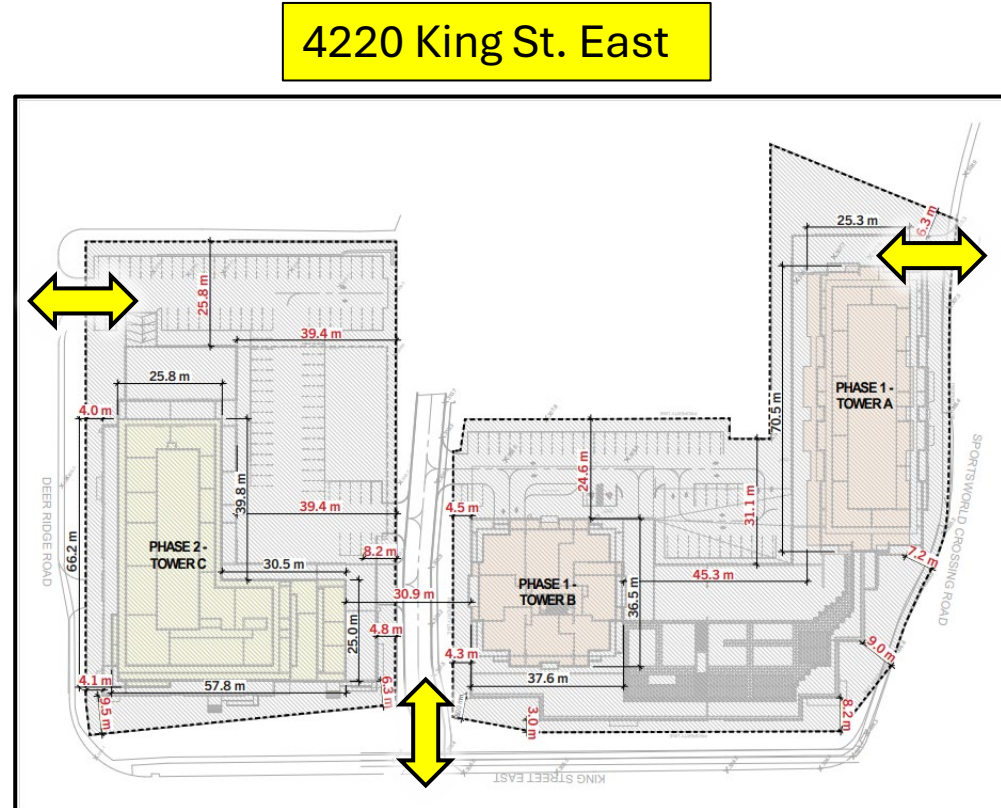
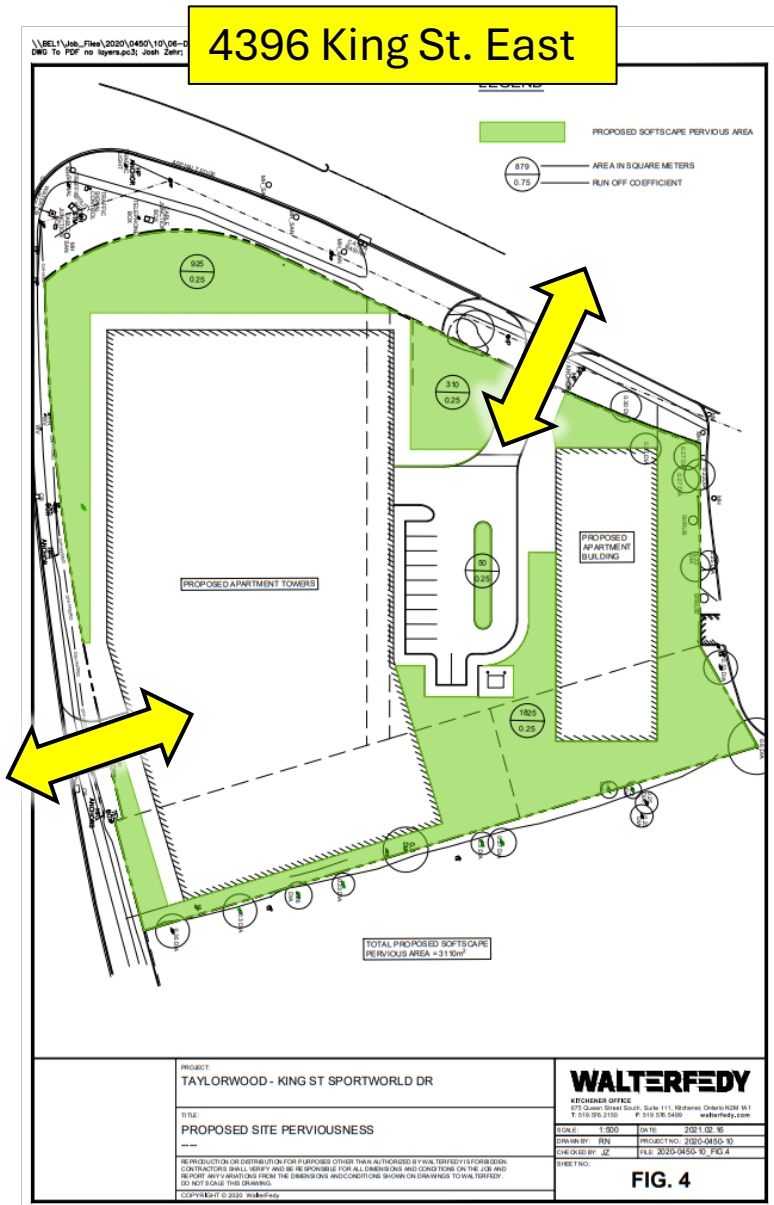


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# Recommendations:

- Analyze site driveway traffic with pedestrians & cyclists
- Rearrange walking routes in site plan to reduce pedestrian driveway crossings.



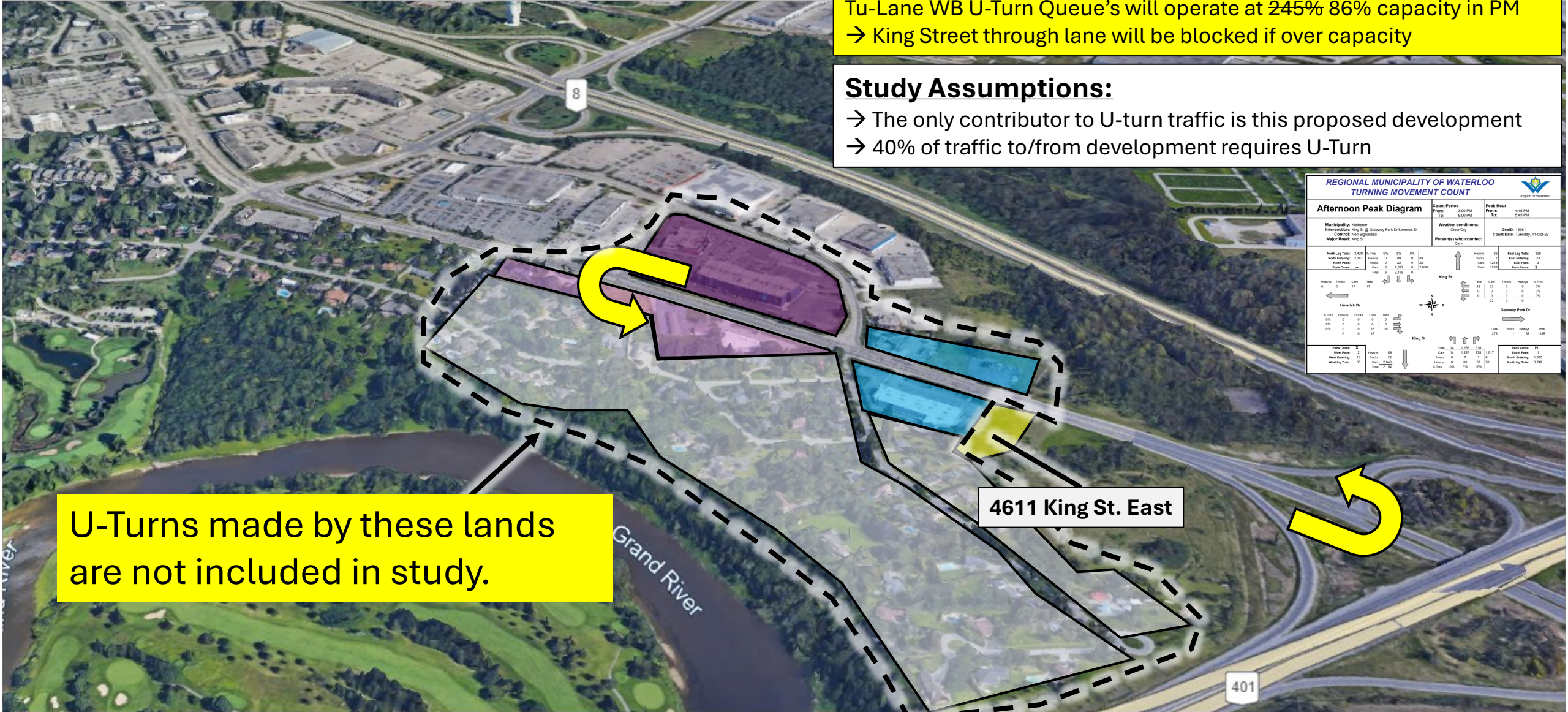
# King Street East U-Turn Queues

## Paradigm TIS:

Tu-Lane WB U-Turn Queue's will operate at 245% 86% capacity in PM  
 → King Street through lane will be blocked if over capacity

## Study Assumptions:

→ The only contributor to U-turn traffic is this proposed development  
 → 40% of traffic to/from development requires U-Turn



U-Turns made by these lands are not included in study.

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REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF WATERLOO  
 TURNING MOVEMENT COUNT

Afternoon Peak Diagram

Count Period: From: 3:00 PM To: 6:00 PM  
 Peak Hour: From: 4:45 PM To: 5:45 PM

Municipality: Kitchener  
 Intersection: King St @ Gateway Park Dr./Limerick Dr  
 Control: Non-Signalized  
 Major Road: King St

Weather conditions: Clear/Dry  
 Person(s) who counted: CWH

Count Date: Tuesday, 11-Oct-22

North Leg Total	South Leg Total	West Leg Total	East Leg Total
3,428	2,747	1,255	1,517
Heavy	0	0	0
Trucks	0	0	0
Cars	2,747	1,255	1,517
Total	2,747	1,255	1,517

King St	Limerick Dr	Gateway Park Dr
Total	228	23
Heavy	0	0
Trucks	0	0
Cars	228	23
Total	228	23

# Recommendations:

- Analyze U-Turn intersections with local traffic included
- Identify potential counter-measures



# Traffic Scale Comparison & Future Overpass Impact

	<b>4611 King St. East</b> <small>*2031 Forecast</small>	<b>4396 King St. East</b> <small>*2032 Forecast</small>	<b>808 Courtland Avenue</b> <small>*2032 Forecast</small>	<b>1198 Fischer-Hallman Rd.</b> <small>*2032 Forecast</small>	<b>236 Victoria Road North</b> <small>*2030 Forecast</small>
Driveway Peak Traffic Volume	2621/hr	1668/hr	1149/hr	1419/hr	799/hr
Forecast with 100% 401 WB Traffic Reduction	1708/hr				
Forecast with 70% 401 WB Traffic Reduction	1978/hr				



\*Data sourced from ION Phase 2 Traffic Impact Study

\*Data sourced from Paradigm Traffic Studies



# Relevant Provincial Policies

3.3.2 Major goods movement facilities and corridors shall be protected for the long term.

3.3.3 New development proposed on adjacent lands to existing or planned corridors and transportation facilities should be compatible with, and supportive of, the long-term purposes of the corridor and should be designed to avoid, or where avoidance is not possible, minimize and mitigate negative impacts on and adverse effects from the corridor and transportation facilities.

## **-Provincial Policy Statement**

Municipalities will develop and implement transportation demand management policies in official plans or other planning documents or programs to:

- a) reduce trip distance and time;
- b) increase the modal share of alternatives to the automobile, which may include setting modal share targets;
- c) prioritize active transportation, transit, and goods movement over single-occupant automobiles;
- d) expand infrastructure to support active transportation; and
- e) consider the needs of major trip generators.

## **-Ontario – A Place To Grow**

Municipalities should designate and preserve lands within settlement areas located adjacent to or near major goods movement facilities and corridors, including major highway interchanges, as areas for manufacturing, warehousing and logistics, and appropriate associated uses and ancillary facilities.

## **-Ontario – A Place To Grow**

Mounting gridlock is a significant drain on the region's economy, and targeted highway expansions and improvements are a key part of the solution: Work with Infrastructure Ontario and Metrolinx to develop transit-oriented communities (TOCs) at new and existing transit stations to provide more options for people to live and work near transit, increase housing supply, including affordable housing, increase transit ridership, support economic development, and reduce gridlock.

## **-Ontario – Connecting the Greater Golden Horseshoe**