

What We've Heard

- Overall people are very interested about safety and provisions for security at the station
- People also suggest that safety requires "passive" measures such as animating the station with uses that offer amenity and the company of neighbours - some people suggested that the design should be similar to "the Tube" in London with coffee vendors and places to buy sandwiches, cold drinks, magazines etc.
- Make every effort to make the public transit user friendly and safe. It should be safe, accessible, attractive, and kept free of litter.

RAV Station Design Process

Planning for the RAV station at Cambie and 41st Avenue is underway and is the responsibility of InTransitBC. Due to the time frame for RAV construction, the design of the station will precede any conclusion on new policy for Oakridge Centre.

Longer term possibilities may include expansion of Oakridge Centre towards the corner of 41st and Cambie, and integration with the RAV station entrance. In the more immediate future, the station entrance will be a freestanding structure in the plaza.

Opportunities for New Signage for Oakridge Centre

Oakridge Centre currently has a large sign near the corner of Cambie & W41st Ave in a location that competes with visibility and pedestrian access to the ideal RAV station entrance location.

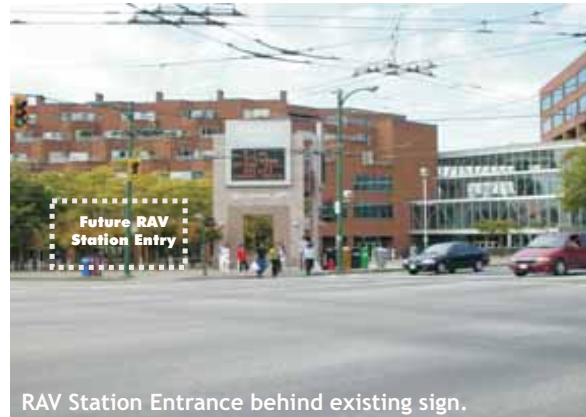
City Staff and Ivanhoe Cambridge and InTransitBC are exploring ideas that would remove the existing sign structure and integrate new signage with the future RAV station entrance. Following up on public input, City staff advocate the inclusion of a modest amount of active, ancillary retail uses (i.e. café, news-stand) in this structure to animate the station.

Public Process

RAV access agreements and station designs need to be finalized by early 2006. Any new signage on par with the existing Oakridge Centre sign would likely require referral to City Council for a decision in advance of new planning policy for Oakridge Centre. City staff would notify neighbouring property owners regarding a sign proposal.

Some possibilities for the corner of 41st Ave and Cambie St

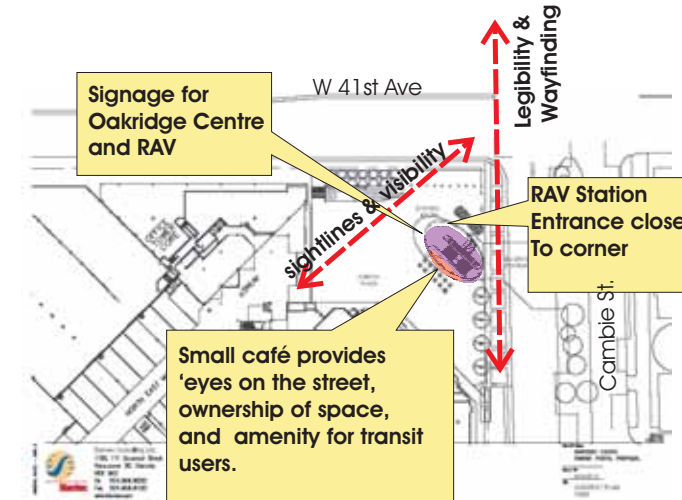
Two stand alone structures (RAV station & Existing Oakridge Sign)



Artist's Illustration of 41st and Cambie



Integration of RAV Station, Café and New Oakridge Sign



Conceptual Reference Only



Questions

- Do you think that the addition of a small café will animate the RAV station, and offer amenity to transit riders?
- Oakridge Centre will seek as good or better signage if the parties proceed with a collaborative approach. Do you have any interests with the size, illumination and animation of any signs?

