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Dear Resident/ Business:

### RE: Drake Street Upgrades Project - Burrard Street to Pacific Boulevard

The City of Vancouver is planning upgrades along Drake Street. The proposed upgrades will improve safety, comfort, and accessibility for people of all ages and abilities to walk, roll, and cycle. Additional improvements will enhance green rainwater infrastructure and maintain vehicle access to adjacent homes and businesses.

In spring 2019, we shared preliminary design options with businesses, residents, and the public. Based on feedback and further study, the City has developed a recommended design and timeline.

To minimize disruptions, we have the opportunity to coordinate the Drake Street upgrades with sewer upgrades, other local infrastructure projects, and neighbouring private developments.

### **Background**

During the first phase of engagement in 2019, we received feedback from approximately 1,000 people in-person and online. We also engaged with stakeholders in the area, including businesses and resident associations through meetings and a public open house.

Survey respondents noted the importance of providing safe cycling in both directions on Drake Street and the need to connect the cycling route to existing and future routes. Maintaining the current sidewalk widths was also a common theme during previous engagement, along with the need to minimize construction impacts.

Our proposed design reflects the above themes. Additionally, staff made design modifications to address concerns about parking impacts, loading zones, access to Yaletown businesses, and the local neighbourhood.

For a **complete summary of the stakeholder and public engagement**, as well as a description of how the designs have been modified as a result, please visit: *vancouver.ca/drake-street-upgrades* 



### **Recommended Design**

The new design proposes to:

- Convert Drake Street into one-way vehicle traffic eastbound from Hornby Street to Hamilton Street
  - Modified based on feedback: From Hamilton Street to Pacific Blvd., vehicle traffic would remain two-way. Vehicles travelling eastbound on Drake Street will be able to turn left, turn right and go straight at Pacific Blvd.
- Extend the bi-directional (two-way) protected bike lane to Pacific Blvd.
  - Modified based on feedback: people cycling westbound from Pacific Bvld to Hamilton Street remain in mixed traffic and transition to the protected bike lane at Hamilton Street.
- Provide parking and loading zones on the south side of Drake Street.
  - Modified based on feedback: Passenger and loading zones are prioritized in the new design, and the project team has been working directly with businesses and residents to retain and locate these zones as needed.
- Build protected intersections at locations where two cycling routes connect (Burrard St, Hornby St, Richards St, Granville St). Protected intersections are designed to reduce the likelihood of collisions by lowering high speed vehicle turns, improving sightlines, and providing refuge areas with shorter crossings to improve safety for people walking and rolling.
- Enhance green rainwater infrastructure along Drake Street by including permeable paving materials, trees, and rainwater tree trenches. This helps reduce road flooding during heavy or prolonged rainfall.
- **Proposed based on feedback:** Through a related project, bike upgrades are proposed on Marinaside Cres. between Drake Street and Davie Street as well as the Seawall at Davie Street & Marinaside Cres., in order to reduce conflicts between all road users.

The images on the following page show existing and proposed cross sections of Drake Street.

#### Open House

Attend our open house to learn more about the proposed changes and share your input.

**Date:** Thursday, February 6, 2020

**Time:** 4 - 8 pm

**Location:** Roundhouse Community Centre (181 Roundhouse Mews)

#### **Online Comment Form**

View the open house display boards at <u>vancouver.ca/drake-street-upgrades</u> and share your feedback through our online comment form. Feedback can be submitted until **Monday**, **February 17**, **2020**.

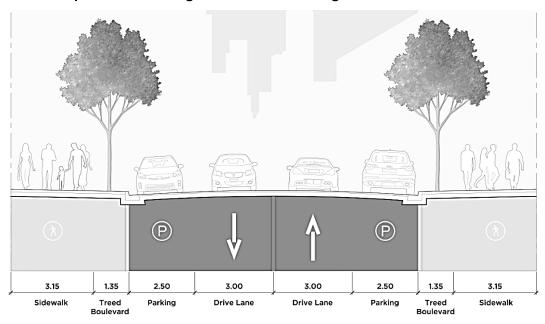
## To learn more and to stay up to date on the project:

- Visit Vancouver.ca/drake-street-upgrades
- Sign up for the project newsletter on our website
- Email us at drakestreetupgrades@vancouver.ca

### Sincerely,

Transportation Design Branch Engineering Services, City of Vancouver

### An example of an existing cross section facing East



# An example of a proposed cross section facing East

