

# City of Coquitlam – Victoria Drive Improvement Project

## PROJECT BACKGROUND (WHAT ARE WE DOING AND WHY)

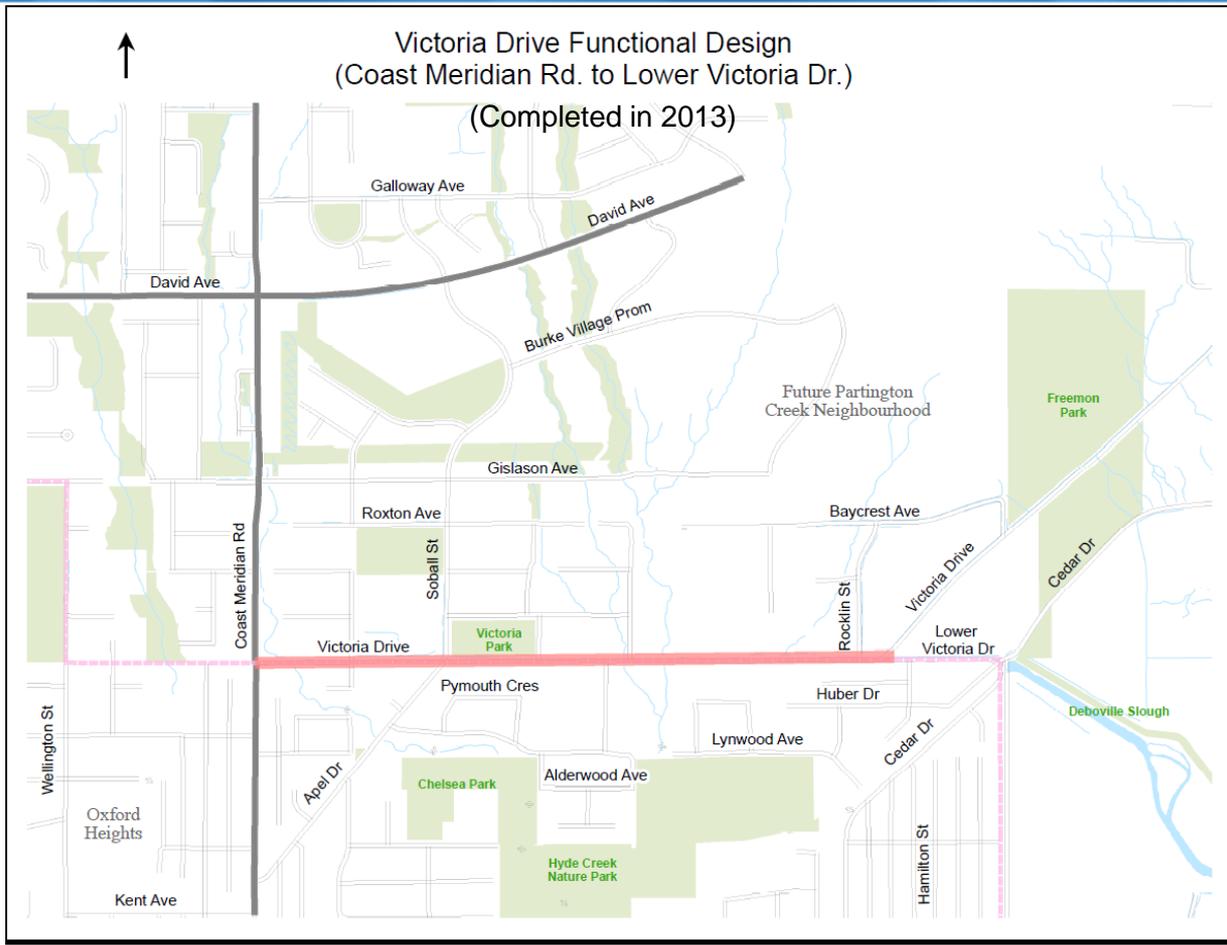
In 2013, the City of Coquitlam led a process to develop a functional design of Victoria Drive, from Coast Meridian Road to Lower Victoria. A steering committee was established to guide the project, which included staff from Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam and TransLink.

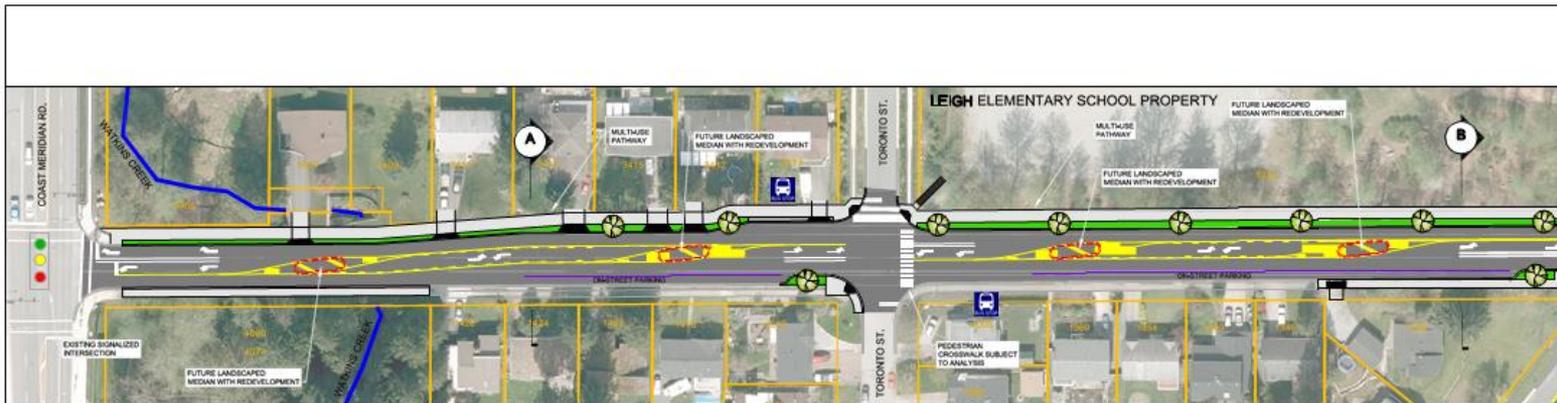
The process included three open houses held in May, June, and December of 2013. Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam residents were invited, as well as other stakeholders including the School District.

In 2016, a detailed design was prepared by Coquitlam, in consultation with Port Coquitlam staff. The design includes the key features that were in the preferred functional design from 2013, which include:

- Preserve parking on the south side of the roadway;
- Provide a middle lane to ease access to driveways;
- Widen the eastbound travel lane so that moving traffic can pass parked vehicles without crossing the centre line; and,
- Provide a multi-use pathway on the north side of the roadway.

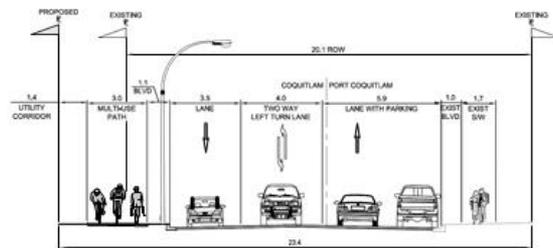
Construction will take place in phases. The first phase of construction, from Toronto Street to Holtby Street, in front of Leigh Elementary and Victoria Park, is proposed to happen in 2017.





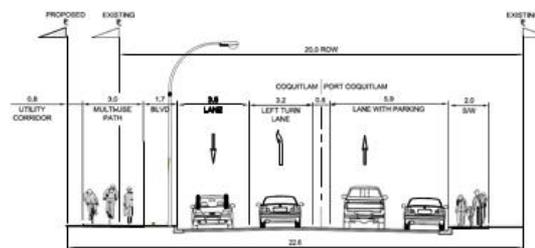
VICTORIA DRIVE

Proposed Construction 2017: Toronto St. to Holtby St.



SECTION

BETWEEN COAST MERIDIAN ROAD AND TORONTO STREET  
(NOT TO SCALE)



SECTION

WEST APPROACH TO APEL DRIVE / SOBALL STREET  
(NOT TO SCALE)



VICTORIA DRIVE FUNCTIONAL DESIGN

PLAN VIEW DRAWING - OPTION 3  
TWO WAY LEFT TURN LANE WITH MULTI-USE PATHWAY  
COAST MERIDIAN ROAD TO SOBALL STREET

SCALE 1:500

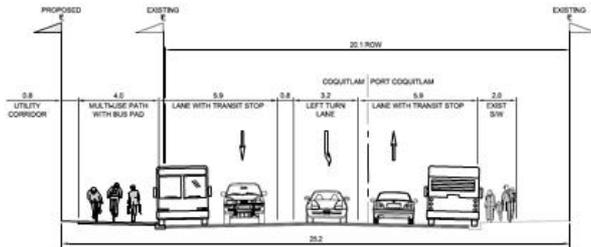
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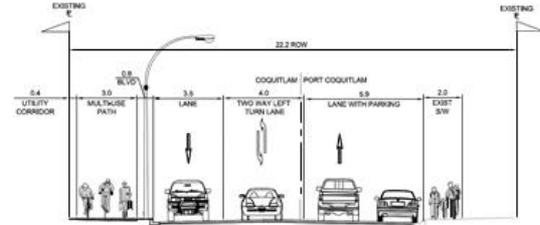


Proposed Construction 2017 Victoria Drive: Toronto St. to Holtby St.



SECTION  
EAST APPROACH TO APEL DRIVE / SOBOLL STREET  
(NOT TO SCALE)

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SECTION  
BETWEEN HOLTBY STREET AND BURKE MOUNTAIN STREET  
(NOT TO SCALE)

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**VICTORIA DRIVE FUNCTIONAL DESIGN**

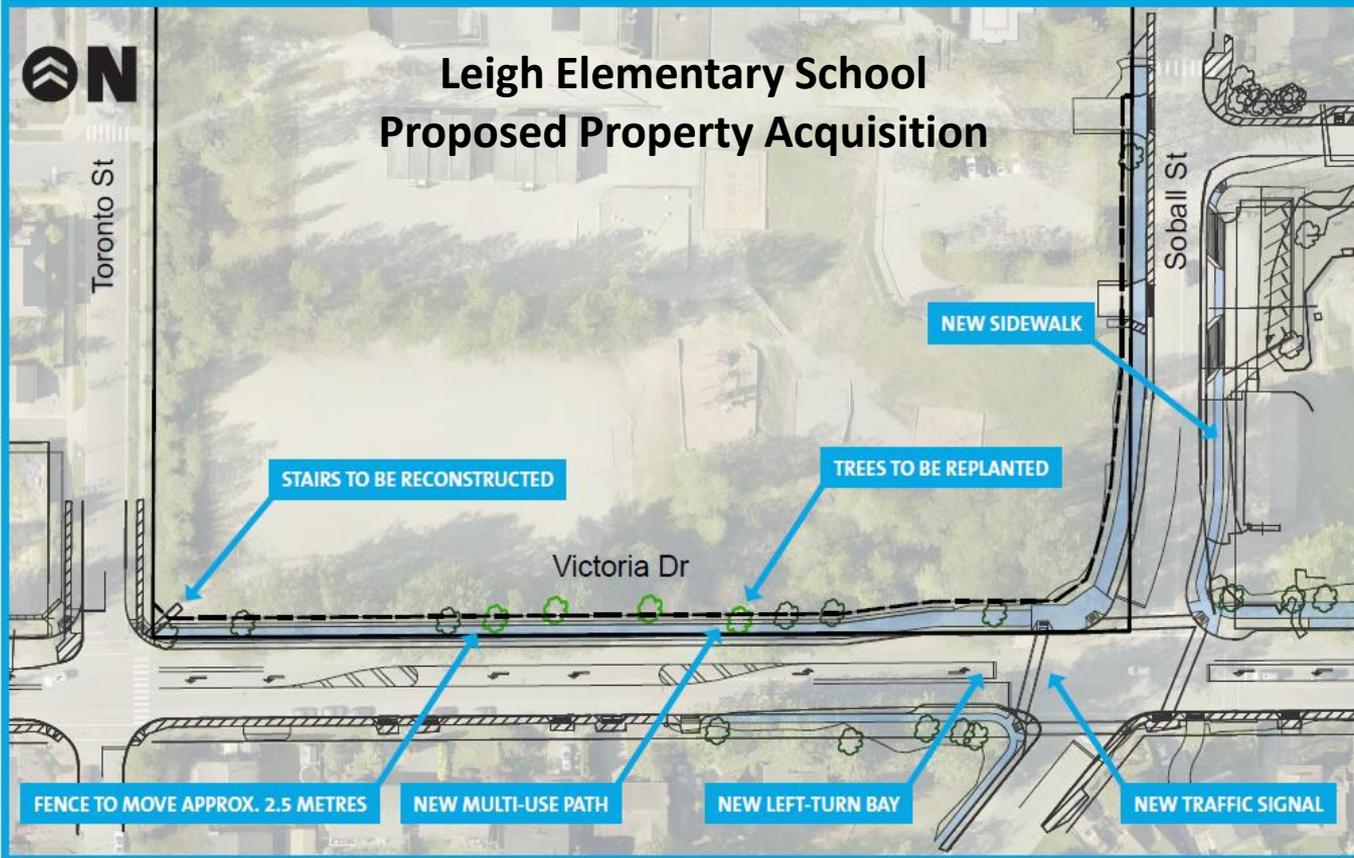
PLAN VIEW DRAWING - OPTION 3  
TWO WAY LEFT TURN LANE WITH MULTI-USE PATHWAY  
SOBOLL STREET TO WEDGEWOOD STREET

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— EXISTING PROPERTY LINE

- - - PROPOSED PROPERTY LINE

■ MULTI-USE PATHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS

## **WHY DOES THE CITY NEED TO PURCHASE THE STRIP OF LAND ADJACENT TO LEIGH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL?**

As part of the Victoria Drive project, the City requires a strip of land to accommodate the construction of the new multi-use pathway, new street lighting, new traffic signal, as well as some modest road widening.

## **WHAT ARE THE IMPACTS?**

1107.36m<sup>2</sup> of school-owned land, adjacent to the roadway, will be acquired by the City. Trees in the strip will be removed and replaced with new trees. A low retaining wall will be needed next to the roadway, with a new chain-link fence.

## **HOW WILL THIS PROJECT BENEFIT THE SCHOOL?**

- A new traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of Victoria Drive and Soball Street, with signalized cross walks, push buttons and yellow tactile warning strips at letdowns;
- Geometric improvements to the roadway will be made to improve safety;
- Improvements to pedestrian safety and accessibility with the construction of a new multi-use pathway on the north side of Victoria Drive and the west side of Soball Street;
- Completion of the sidewalk on the east side of Soball, next to Victoria Park;
- Hazardous trees will be replaced with new and healthy plantings;
- New fencing and improved retaining systems; and,
- New street and pathway lighting.

## **PROJECT TIMELINE**

This phase of the project is proposed for 2017, with the bulk of construction expected to take place during the summer months when school is out.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE PROJECT**

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