

A photograph of a busy pedestrian street in Ajax, Ontario. The street is lined with trees and buildings. On the left, there is a bus stop with a sign that says "PATTISON". A white bus is visible in the background. Many people are walking on the sidewalk, including a young child in a pink shirt and a man in a green shirt. The text "Walkable + Bikeable AJAX" is overlaid on the image in large, bold letters. The word "Walkable" is in white, the "+" is in yellow, "Bikeable" is in white, and "AJAX" is in yellow. Below the main text, the phrase "To solidify Ajax as a truly livable community" is written in red.

Walkable + Bikeable AJAX

To solidify Ajax as a truly livable community

Purpose

Transportation Master Plan
approved in Dec. 2007:

- Addresses population and employment growth sustainably for the environment, economy and community
- Balanced, multi-modal transportation vital to quality of life
- Promote walking and cycling as viable alternatives



Vision

Solidify Ajax as a truly livable community...

- Walking and cycling network for **all travel purposes**
- Personal **security** and road **safety** a priority
- Catalyst for **business** development and **tourism**
- Good designs** that create safe and **comfortable** space
- Foundation for developing **compact, mixed-use** communities
- View all projects from the **eyes of pedestrians and cyclists**



What we heard...



Strategies



Final Report

Walkable + Bikeable Ajax



The Ajax
Pedestrian
and Bicycle
Master Plan

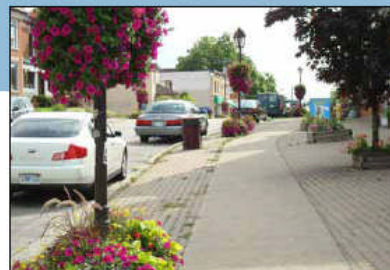
PLAN IT.

SEE IT.

INTEGRATE IT.

PROMOTE IT.

BUILD IT.

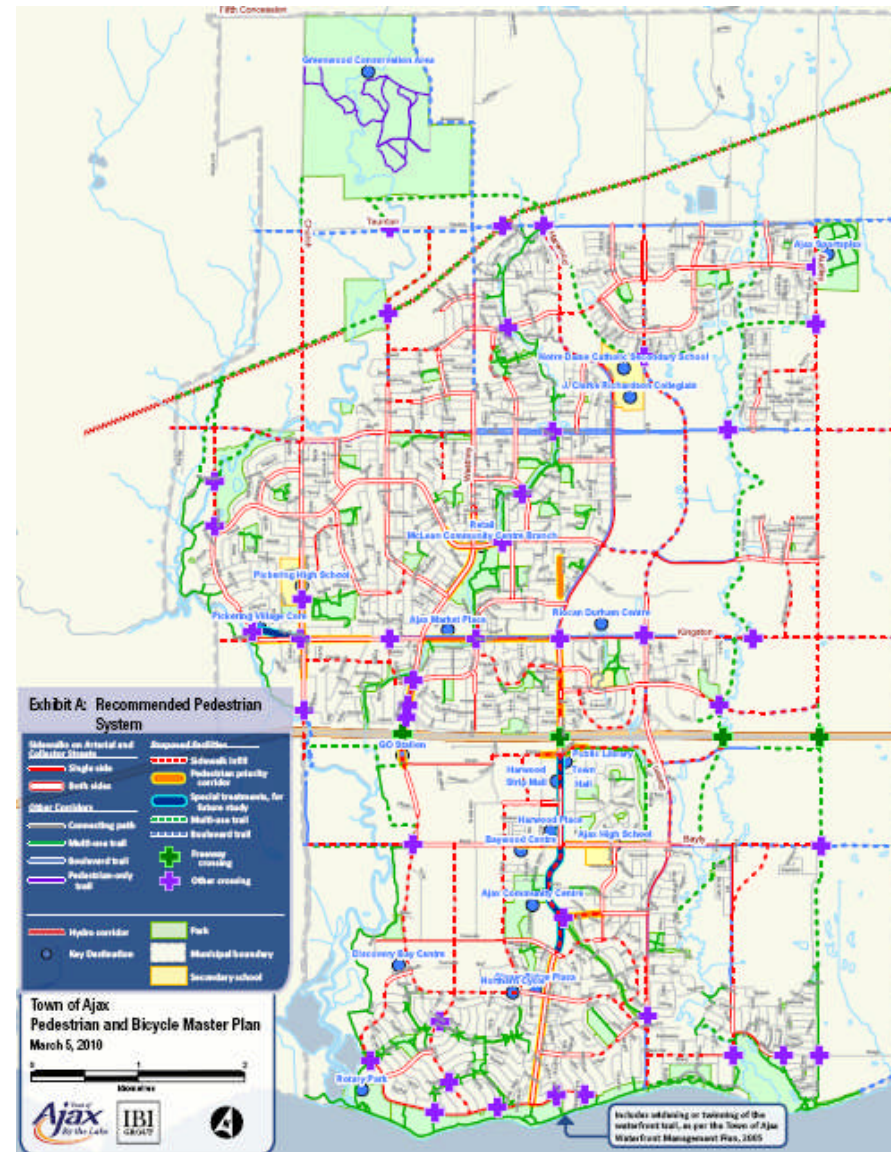


March 29, 2010

Five Key Moves

The plan includes:

- 62 km** new sidewalks
- 63 km** new trails
- 13 km** pedestrian priority corridors
- 47 km** new bike lanes
- 13 km** new bike priority streets and marked shared lanes
- 47** upgraded street and freeway crossings
- 1.8 km** special treatments in Pickering Village and the Town Centre



Five Key Moves

See it.

- Set up a working group to develop bicycle route signage strategy
- Partner with Region of Durham and adjacent municipalities
- Sign Ajax GO Station and Town Centre / Library as pilot project

ROUTE DIRECTIONAL SIGNS



AMENITY SIGNS



DESTINATION DISTANCE SIGNS



STREET NAME SIGNS



Five Key Moves

Integrate it.

- Official Plan policies
- Road classification criteria
- Policies in the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan:
 - Create walkable and bicycle-friendly communities and developments
 - Expand and create behavioral shift programs
 - Implement the networks
 - Make Town's practices supportive of walking and cycling



Five Key Moves

Promote it.

- Build on recreational interests to encourage active transportation
- Support, supplement and expand existing programs
- Target active transportation audiences
- Include as part of the Business Development and Tourism Strategy



Build it.

Facility Type	Probably Cost	
	Short-term	Long-term
Pedestrian (sidewalks on arterials and collectors)	\$3.1 M	\$2.5 M
Pedestrians and cyclists (multi-use trails)	\$6.1 M	\$4.8 M
Crossing Improvements	\$1.6 M	\$6.8 M
Cyclists (bike lanes, marked shared lanes, bicycle priority streets)	\$1.1 M	\$0.7 M
Urban Design (pedestrian priority corridors)	\$0.9 M	\$0.3 M
Sub-total	\$12.8 M	\$15.1 M
Funded by Developers	\$1.1 M	\$1.1 M
Funding in 2010 Capital Budget and 2011-2014 Long Range Capital Forecast	\$6.0 M	
Additional Funding	\$5.7 M	\$14.0 M

Funding Sources

Additional sources for funding:

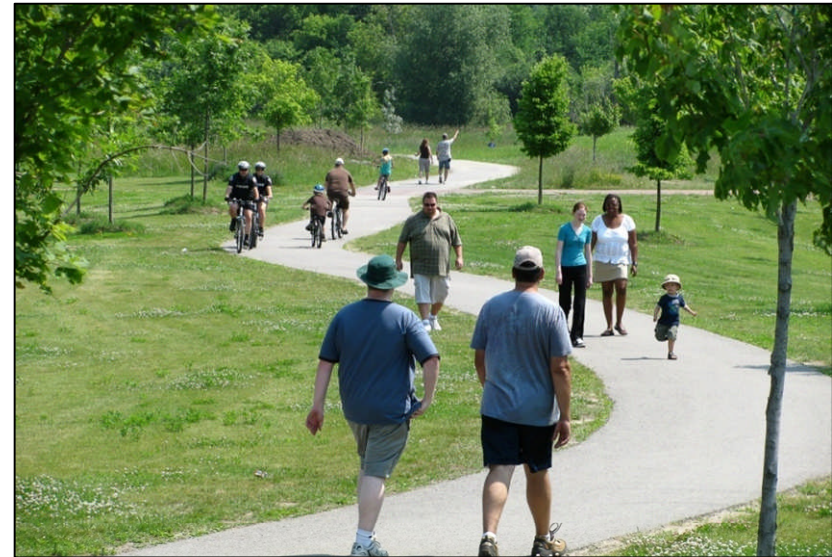
- Development Charges update in 2012-2013
- Gas Tax
- Ajax Slots Infrastructure Reserve
- Provincial and Federal Grants
- FCM Green Municipal Fund
- Service Clubs
- Donations



Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan

Walkable + Bikeable Ajax!

- A balanced transportation network is **vital** to Ajax's economic prosperity and quality of life
- Ajax's trails are **transforming** the Town into a vibrant and active community
- Ajax is in the **lead** in Durham Region to make walking and cycling viable ways of getting around!
- Implementation will take hard work, perseverance, and collaboration to **plan it, build it, see it, integrate it and promote it!**





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<http://www.townofajax.com>

- Quick Links
- Ajax Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan