

TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION REPORT NO.

MEETING DATE: October 23, 2013

SUBJECT: NEW WAYFINDING STANDARDS

INFORMATION ITEM

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board receive the presentation *New Wayfinding Standards* for information. The presentation provides the Board with information concerning proposed changes to system wayfinding and signage.

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NEW WAYFINDING STANDARDS





TTC Customer Information objectives;

- **Bring simple, non-fussy approach**
- **Clean and direct**
- **Connect customer touch points in a cohesive manner**
- **Bring simplicity and clarity to customer journeys**
- **Promote consistency**
- **Improve system maps**
- **Improve system accessibility**



Ride the Rocket.



THE BETTER WAY



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Dear Pape Station customers,



THANK YOU

**FOR YOUR PATIENCE
DURING CONSTRUCTION**

Welcome back!

Ongoing improvements will include:

- The elevators, bike parking and landscaping will be completed during the month of October.
- The second exit will be completed by the end of 2013.



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THANK YOU TORONTO

This week was a challenging one for all of us. Thanks to the patience and perseverance of hundreds of thousands of TTC riders like you and the hard work of thousands of TTC employees, we all weathered it together.



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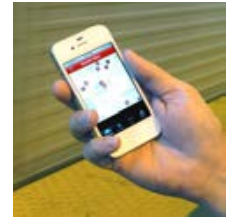
Customer Information involves a number of elements:

- Pre-journey planning tools
- Information systems
- Schedules
- Self-navigation aides
- Staff interactions

These are all connected



Ride Guide



Mobile Apps



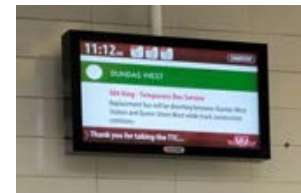
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System Maps



Audible Announcements



Information Screens



Social Media



Subway Maps



Signage



Staff



- **We are building on these connections to create a complete customer experience.**

One that:

- Is positive, customer-focussed and friendly;
- Delivers service efficiently and cost-effectively;
- Provides information promptly and clearly when delays occur;
- Is accessible to all.





- **Steps are being taken to simplify information delivery throughout the system;**
 - Clear and simple information on maps and signage;
 - Clarity and prominence at TTC system access points;
 - Current schedules and updates delivered digitally via station video monitors, apps and social media.
 - Update to Wayfinding Standards



SIMPLIFICATION AND CLARITY



- Our system has evolved but our core values remain unchanged: Service, Courtesy and Safety





- **Example: Subway Route Names – we use many terms to say the same thing;**

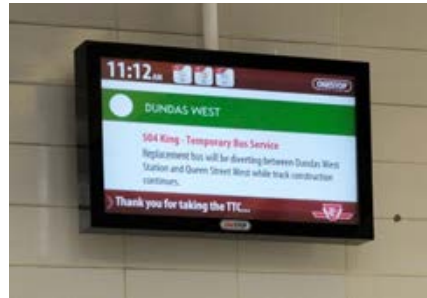
Examples:

- YUS Route
- Yonge Subway
- Spadina Trains
- Yonge-University-Spadina Line

This problem will get worst as the YUS extends into Vaughan.



CURRENT SUBWAY IDENTIFICATION



Rapid Transit

- 1 Yonge-University-Spadina
- 2 Bloor-Danforth
- 3 Scarborough RT
- 4 Sheppard
- Subway Interchange
- Transfer required to connecting routes
- GO Train Lines



- ### Subway Routes
- Yonge-University-Spadina
 - Bloor-Danforth
 - Scarborough RT
 - Sheppard



- Subway / RT**
- Subway / RT Stations A to Z
- Yonge - University - Spadina
- Bloor - Danforth
- Scarborough RT
- Sheppard
- Bus Routes**



- 1 Yonge-University-Spadina Line
- 2 Bloor-Danforth Line
- 3 Scarborough RT Line
- 4 Sheppard Line
- 5 Future Line
- 6 Future Line



- **Numeric codes offer several advantages;**
 - Simple and accessible to customers with language or cognitive barriers;
 - Provides an easy reference for all customers to remember;
 - Conducive to mobile technologies;
 - Future-friendly – Will not need to be changed when lines are extended and Establishes a plan today for future line names;
 - Can be implemented cost-effectively.



1. Number code
(2=BD Line)

2. Colour code
(Green=Bloor-Danforth Line)



Bloor-Danforth Line

3. Symbol code
(Circle=RT/Subway)

4. Familiar names remain for many applications

Elevator to Subway    →

←  Southbound

Northbound  →

 **Fares**   

Sheppard Ave.   →

←  Westbound to Sheppard Eastbound to Don Mills  →

↙  All Trains

←     Buses
Royal York Road
Bloor Street West



SPADINA

- **The TTC's historic Subway Font will be used on more signage - at station entrances, fares booths and track level signage.**



Signs that are highly visible



Signs that are highly visible



SUBWAY

AT THE CORNER OF
Autumn
style



Bringing prominence to our entry points



BLOOR-YONGE



 **EXIT**

 Spadina-University
Trains 

 Buses 

St. George St. 
Medical Arts Bldg. 
Bedford Rd. 
Varsity Stadium
and Arena 

 **EXIT** Buses 
Spadina-University Trains 

DWA

B Garage

W3

NEW



Exit
Buses



St. George Street
Bedford Road
Varsity Stadium



Exit
Buses

DWA



Exit
Buses



Bringing prominence to our entry points



NOT JUST STATION "SIGNS"

Southbound You Are Here

Stations and direction of travel:

- Downsview
- Wilson
- Yorkdale
- Lawrence West
- Glencairn
- Eglinton West
- St Clair West
- Dupont
- St George
- Spadina
- Museum
- Queen's Park
- St Patrick
- Osgoode
- St Andrew
- Union
- Finch
- North York Centre
- Sheppard-Yonge
- York Mills
- Lawrence
- Eglinton
- Davisville
- St Clair
- Summerhill
- Rosedale
- Bloor-Yonge
- Wellesley
- College
- Dundas
- Queen
- King

Legend:

- Yonge-University-Spadina
- Bloor-Danforth
- Scarborough RT
- Sheppard

Map Symbols:

- Station and direction of travel
- Transfer required to connecting surface route
- Subway Interchange
- Accessible Station
- Public Washroom

Subway/RT Route Map

Subway/RT Map is not to scale
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Westbound

You Are Here ↓

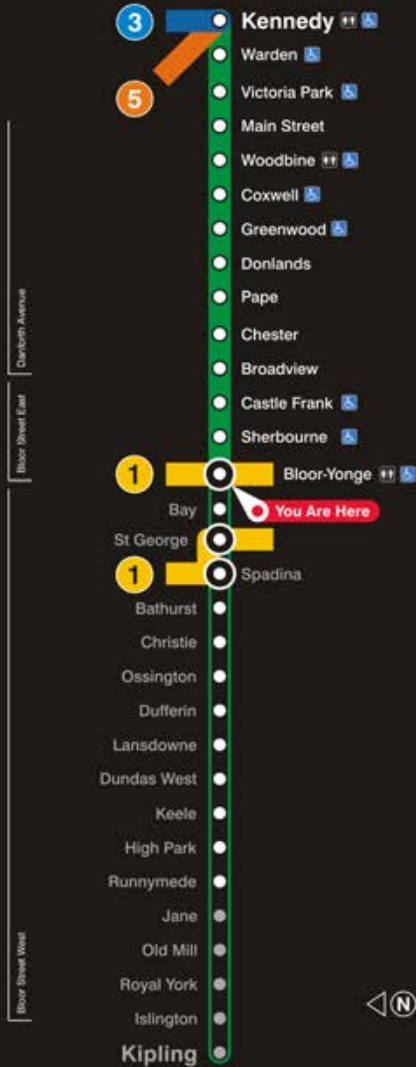


Subway/RT Route Map





Eastbound To Kennedy



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Eastbound To Kennedy



Carleton Avenue

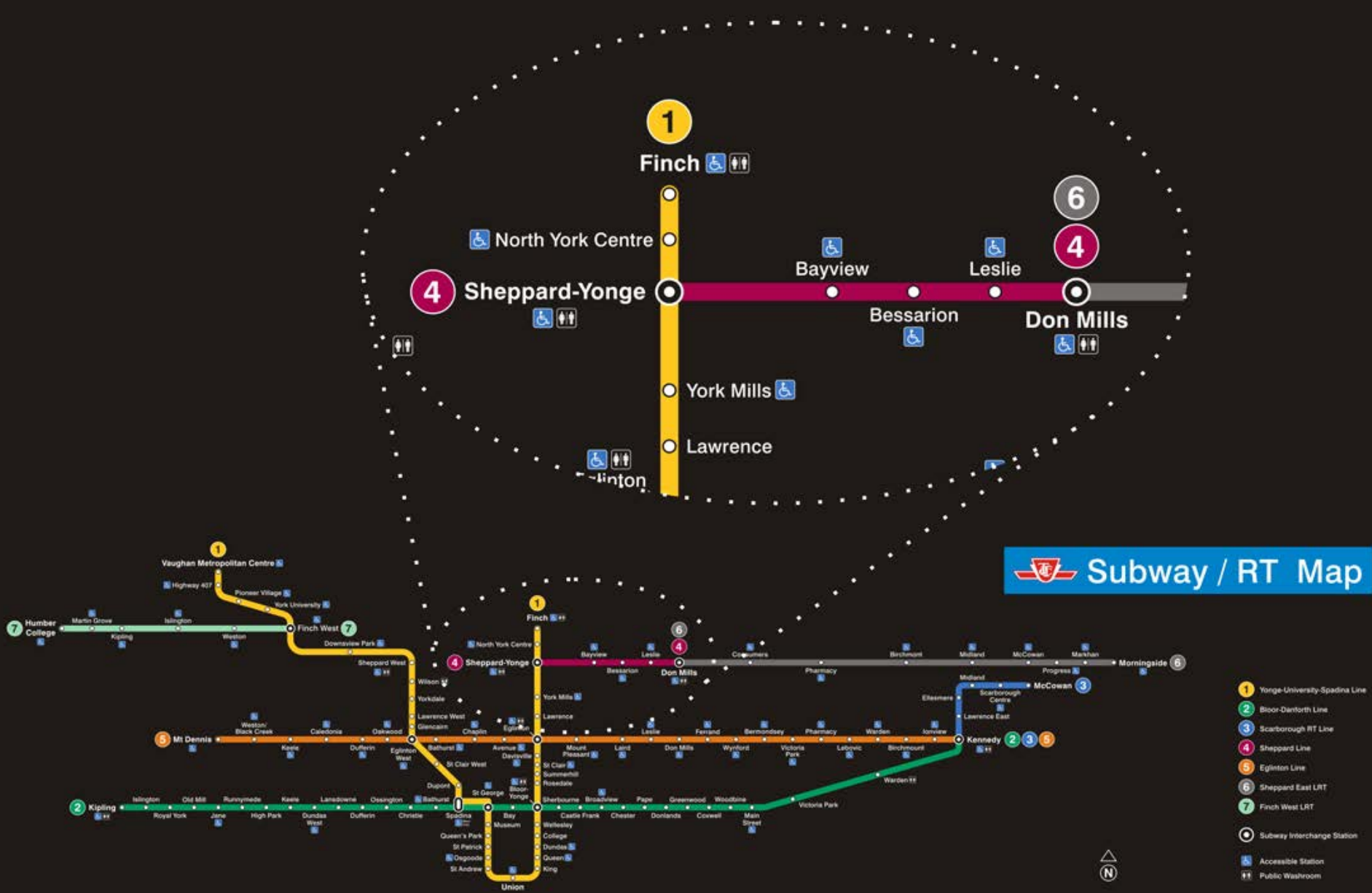
Bloor Street East

Bloor Street West

PERSONS LOITERING IN THIS STATION ARE SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER BY-LAW NO. 1 SECTION 6

W To

YONGE



 **Subway / RT Map**

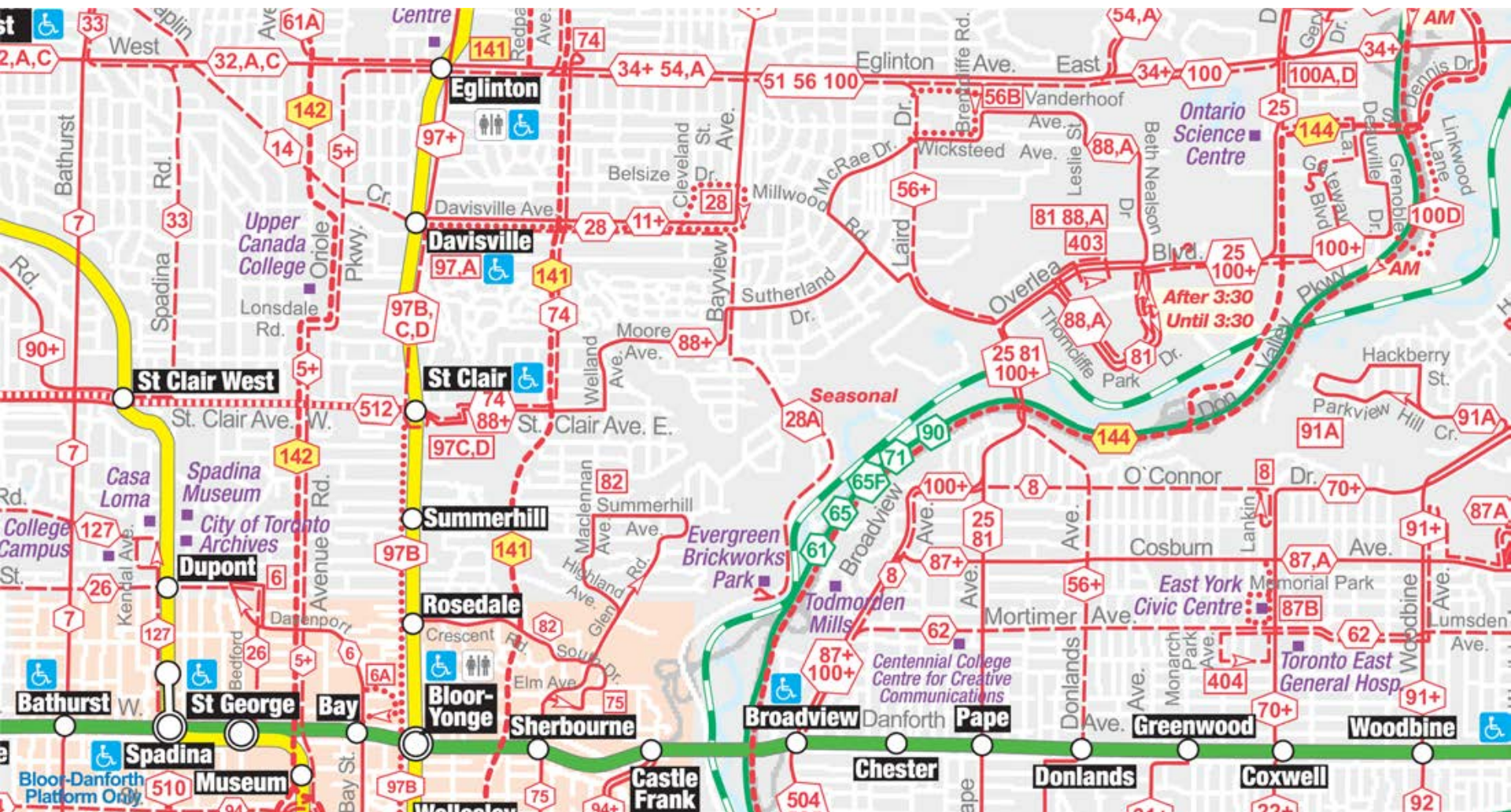
- 1 Yonge-University-Spadina Line
- 2 Bloor-Danforth Line
- 3 Scarborough RT Line
- 4 Sheppard Line
- 5 Eglinton Line
- 6 Sheppard East LRT
- 7 Finch West LRT
-  Subway Interchange Station
-  Accessible Station
-  Public Washroom



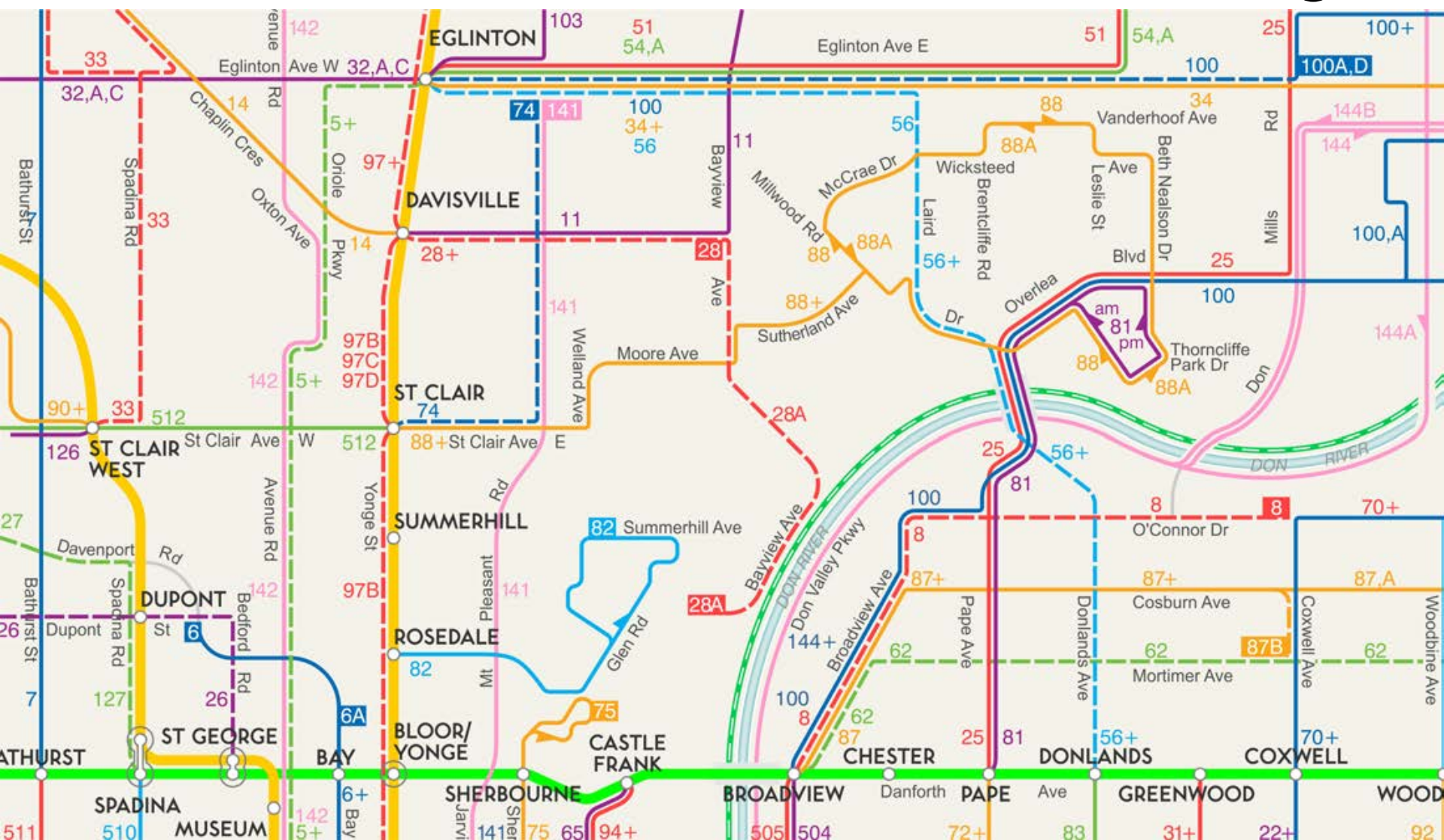
- **Pilot on 94 Wellesley**
 - Suitable for some location
 - Positive reception but not universally appropriate
 - Tweaking being done
 - Doesn't obviate need for a system map
- **System map to be used in many places**
 - Ride guide
 - Subway concourses
 - Tourist information
 - Many bus shelters short term
 - Some bus shelters long term



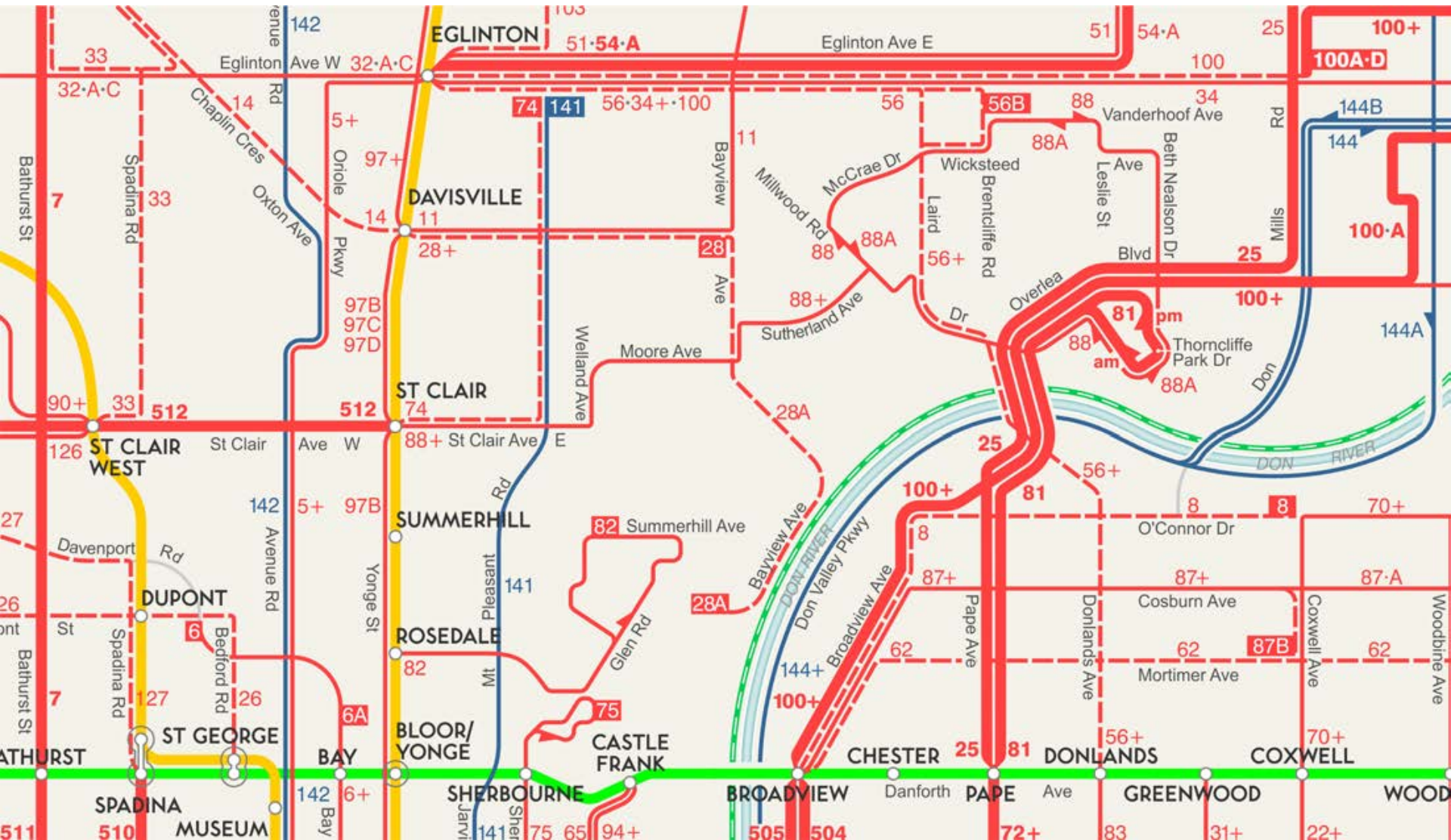
RIDE GUIDE CLOSE UP



COLOUR?



FREQUENCY?





- **Pilot study – Bloor-Yonge & St. George Stations**
 - Pre & Post installation interviews
 - Designed for quick and cost effective implementation
 - Future projects – elevators, second exits, TYSSE
 - Roll out printed products in early in New Year
- **Not about change for change sake**
 - Simplification of brand and return to roots
 - Simplification of all information touch points
 - Connect all information points in cohesive manner
 - Ensuring fit for present and future





Thank you

