Appendix 2: EVALUATION OF ALTERNATIVE PLANNING SOLUTIONS

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Evaluation Criteria	1. Do Nothing	2. Operational Changes	3. Existing ROW	4. Expand ROW
Waterfront Main Street	No. Without functional and aesthetic improvements, existing conditions on Queens Quay cannot support a great street environment suitable for Toronto's waterfront. Insufficient space for proper street tree planting to meet City standards, rebalance transportation modes, etc.	Challenging. Small aesthetic improvements could improve the street (banners, trees, street lighting) but unlikely enough to elevate Queens Quay to Toronto's main waterfront street.	Yes. Rearranging space within right- of-way would allow for functional and aesthetic improvements that could elevate Queens Quay to Toronto's main waterfront street.	Yes. Rearranging space within expanded right-of-way would allow for functional and aesthetic improvements that could elevate Queens Quay to Toronto's main waterfront street.
North-South Connections	No. Existing pedestrian conditions are insufficient across Queens Quay. Numerous conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles. No improved visual connections to waterfront.	Challenging. Possible pedestrian crossing improvements with adjusted signals, but distance and potential conflicts with vehicles would remain the same. Improved visual connections to waterfront possible.	Yes. Can rebalance space and adjust operations within the corridor to improve north-south pedestrian movement. Reduced pedestrian crossing distance across vehicle lanes. Improved visual connections to waterfront.	Yes. Can rebalance space and adjus operations within an expanded corridor to improve north-south pedestrian movement. Improved visual connections to waterfront.
East-West Connections	No. Does not improve pedestrian experience nor accommodate the Martin Goodman Trail, which requires a combined 4m trail offstreet within Queens Quay right-ofway.	Challenging. Does not improve pedestrian experience nor accommodate the Martin Goodman Trail, which requires a combined 4m trail off-street within Queens Quay right-of-way.	Yes. Can improve the pedestrian experience and accommodate Martin Goodman Trail within the existing right-of-way.	Yes. Can improve the pedestrian experience and accommodate Martin Goodman Trail within the expanded right-of-way.
Aesthetically Vital	No. Existing conditions do not contain the elements required for an aesthetically vital and vibrant public realm: trees, generous pedestrian areas, adequate bike facilities, etc. Benefits to retail opportunities limited.	Challenging. Benefits to local retail commercial activities are limited. Although functional and aesthetic improvements could take place, it cannot accommodate Martin Goodman Trail, would require planting street trees within a constrained space, and would retain pedestrian boulevards at existing width.	Yes. Rearranging the space within the right-of-way would allow for significant functional and aesthetic improvements, improve pedestrian activity, and thus increase support for retail opportunities.	Yes. Rearranging the space within an expanded right-of-way would allow for significant functional and aesthetic improvements, improve pedestrian activity, and thus increase support for retail opportunities.
Operations	No. Signal timing for pedestrians, transit and vehicles is insufficient. Current arrangement and enforcement of on-street parking leads to several conflicts. No dedicated bike facilities.	Yes. Modifications to signal timing would improve pedestrian, transit and vehicle operations. Adjustments to parking would reduce potential conflicts.	Yes. Modifications to signal timing would improve pedestrian, transit and vehicle operations. Adjustments to parking would reduce potential conflicts.	Yes. Modifications to signal timing would improve pedestrian, transit and vehicle operations. Adjustments to parking would reduce potential conflicts.

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Grand & Beautiful Blvd.	No. It is not a grand and beautiful boulevard in its existing form. Finishes and materials are not extraordinary and current arrangement is not inviting for pedestrians.	Challenging. High quality materials and decorative elements could improve the street but effectively rebalancing Queens Quay towards a pedestrian oriented environment is not possible.	Yes. Rearranging the space within the existing right-of-way would allow for significant functional and aesthetic improvements to recast the street as a grand and beautiful boulevard.	Yes. Rearranging the space within an expanded right-of-way would allow for significant functional and aesthetic improvements to recast the street as a grand and beautiful boulevard.
Policies	No. Existing street does not address adopted City policies: not a scenic waterfront boulevard, no Martin Goodman Trail, does not encourage clean air alternatives, etc.	No. Existing street does not address adopted City policies: not a scenic waterfront boulevard, no Martin Goodman Trail, does not encourage clean air alternatives, etc.	Yes. Can rebalance the street to better serve pedestrians and cyclists, create a scenic waterfront drive, etc.	Yes. Can rebalance the street to better serve pedestrians and cyclists, create a scenic waterfront drive, etc.
Leverage Renewal	No. Does not coordinate planned improvements to TTC transit infrastructure and other waterfront revitalization projects.	Challenging. Can only coordinate some planned improvements to TTC transit infrastructure along with signal modifications.	Yes. Can coordinate planned improvements to TTC transit infrastructure to more effectively locate platforms along the corridor. Can also better incorporate transit improvements within overall public realm.	Yes. Can coordinate planned improvements to TTC transit infrastructure to more effectively locate platforms along the corridor. Can also better incorporate transit improvements within overall public realm.
Access	Yes. Maintains access for residents, tenants, service, emergency, fire and police.	Challenging. Would provide existing or modified access for residents, tenants, service, emergency, fire and police.	Challenging. Would provide existing or modified access for residents, tenants, service, emergency, fire and police.	Challenging. Would provide existing or modified access for residents, tenants, service, emergency, fire and police.
Fit	Yes. Does not require land acquisition.	Yes. Does not require land acquisition.	Yes. Does not require extraordinary land acquisition. May require local expansion of ROW where needed.	No. Expanding the right-of-way entire length of corridor would require extraordinary land acquisition.

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