

# Living in Mississauga

## The Real Estate Market Watch

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### Mississauga Transitway brings Efficient, Reliable East-West Bus Transit to Mississauga



Construction underway on the Central Parkway Station, one of four Transitway stations scheduled to open in early 2014

MISSISSAUGA – Over the past year or so, Mississauga residents may have noticed quite a bit of construction activity along Highway 403, as crews work to complete a new set of bus transit roadways and stations from east to west in the heart of the city.

By 2015, MiWay's new Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line – dubbed the **Mississauga Transitway** – will span 12 stations stretching from Winston Churchill in the west side of the city, to Renforth Gateway in the east. The project is being built through a partnership between the City of Mississauga and GO Transit (a division of Metrolinx).

Not only will the transitway make it easier for Mississauga residents to get around in their own city; it will also ease the burden of commuting downtown, with the addition of a dedicated Highway 427 bus route leading to the Kipling TTC subway station (estimated for completion in 2017).

The new Transitway infrastructure will be partially open to bus traffic as early as Spring 2014, when the first phase (from Central Parkway to Dixie) is expected to reach completion.

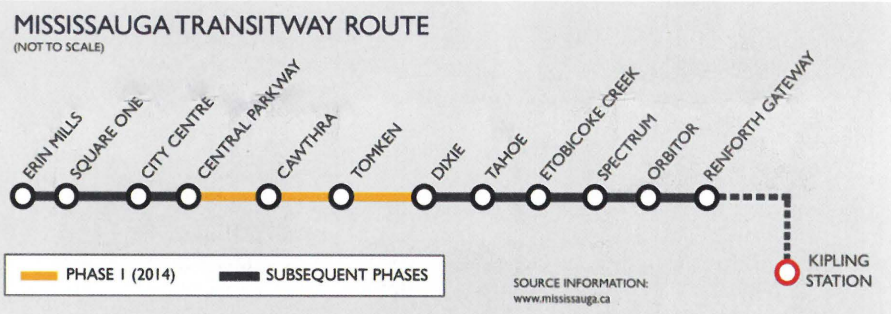
"Mississauga's new dedicated transitway will provide east-west service supporting thousands of riders per day, making it faster for commuters to travel to, from and through Mississauga and across the region," the City said in a press release on September 17.

"Once operational, the Mississauga Transitway will complement and connect with local bus service, regional transit service and the TTC subway, as well as link employment centres across Mississauga."

The planned BRT line is a grade-separated, Right-of-Way (ROW) route – ensuring that buses will be able to move quickly and smoothly alongside the 403 without the interference of regular vehicle traffic. The new stations will include accessibility features, station heating, and Kiss and Ride loops for the use of transit riders.

When completed and launched, the transitway's **City Centre** stop – just steps from the Square One Shopping Centre and Hurontario Street – will offer transit commuters an easy point for transferring from the BRT line to the **Hurontario-Main LRT**, which we wrote about in a previous edition of *Living in Mississauga*.

By offering local residents an environmentally-friendly and relaxing alternative to driving, the BRT will have a positive impact on home values and desirability in the neighbourhoods it passes through. Check out our colour diagram for the full list of planned stations, including Phase 1 stations and those planned for subsequent additions.



This article was put together with the help of public information from the official MiWay Mississauga Transitway page at <http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/miway/brt> as well as the City of Mississauga's web site at <http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/home>.



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# Featured Neighbourhood Square One and Mississauga's City Centre

## Mississauga's Urban Destination for Condos, Retail, Culture and More



Mississauga's own "City Centre" has also succeeded in attracting the attention of some of the world's boldest condominium developers and architects. Just east of the mall, the **Absolute Towers** (or "Marilyn Monroe" towers, as they are known to the locals) rise above the skyline with their distinctive, award-winning structural design. To the west of the towers, brand-new developments are currently underway, such as The Towns at Parkside Village or the majestic Grand Park condominiums.

Located just a quick drive away from Highway 403, and an even shorter walk from access to GO Transit routes as well as Mississauga public transit, the City Centre neighbourhood is perfect for any type of commuter. It is also close to a number of local schools – which, combined with plenty of green space, make the Square One area a perfect spot for young families.

For more information on the Square One area, check out Living Realty's fact-filled "Neighbourhood Profile" online at [news.livingrealty.com/2013/10/square-one/](http://news.livingrealty.com/2013/10/square-one/).

MISSISSAUGA - With its abundant selection of shops and convenient location in the heart of Mississauga, Square One Shopping Centre is one of North America's largest indoor malls. Without a doubt, it has become a truly iconic addition to Mississauga's downtown core.

Over the past couple of decades, the area surrounding the mall has also blossomed into a true "live, work play" neighbourhood. Within just a few blocks of Square One, you can find Mississauga's Civic Centre, the vibrant Living Arts cultural centre, Celebration Square, and many of the city's busiest corporate centres.



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