



Event Traffic Management Planning: *Mitigating Chaos*

What is an Event Traffic Management Plan?



"A project specific plan/document that outlines a strategy to accommodate all modes of transportation safely and efficiently during the occurrence of a unique event."

Examples

- Mall Openings
- Festivals
- Concerts
- Sporting Events
- Olympics...

Why are Event Traffic Management Plans required?



Events create uniquely high travel and parking demands, which may not be able to be accommodated by available infrastructure

Purpose

- Safety for all modes
- Forecast and accommodate transportation demands
- Proactive traffic control and mitigation
- Provide way finding
- Maximize parking (turnover)

Challenges

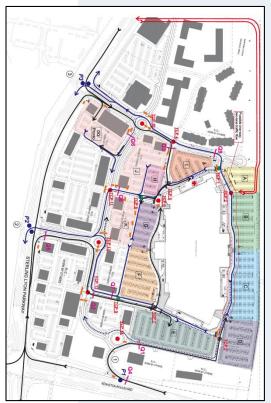
- High / unique travel demands
- Pedestrian / vehicle conflicts
- Reduce impact to regular traffic
- Existing roadway / parking areas
- Unfamiliar drivers / visitors

Plan Development



- Stakeholders
- Planning & Metrics
- Staffing
- Parking & Routing
- Equipment
- Signage
- Scheduling
- Pedestrians, Cyclists, Transit & Shuttles
- Emergency Procedures
- Communication





Plan Development: Stakeholders



- Client
- Municipality
- Provincial/Regional Authorities
- Public
- Neighbouring Businesses
- Emergency Services
- Subcontractors

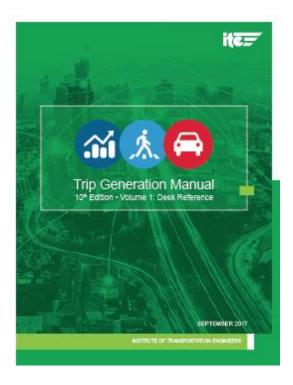


Plan Development: Planning & Metrics



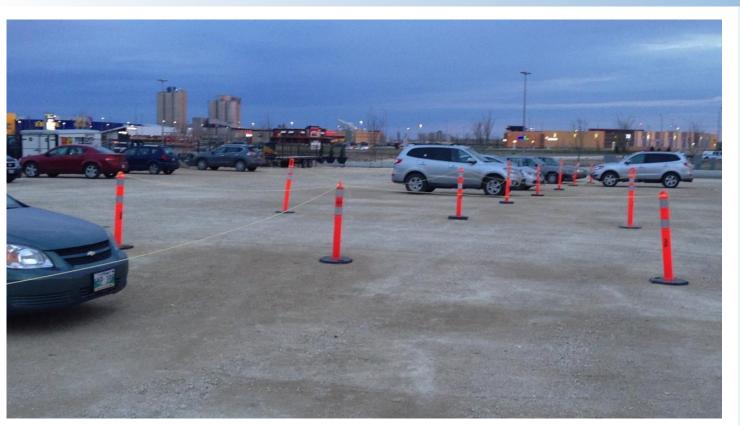
- Trip & Parking Generation
- Intersection Capacity Analysis
- Development size

- Where will visitors be arriving from?
- How will they travel?
- Where will they go?
- When will they come?



Plan Development: Parking

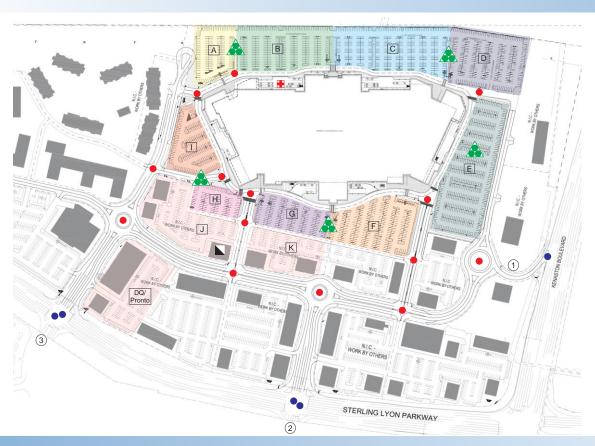




- Regular Parking
- Overflow
- Employee
- ParkingAids/ParkingEfficiency
- TemporaryParking

Plan Development: Staffing

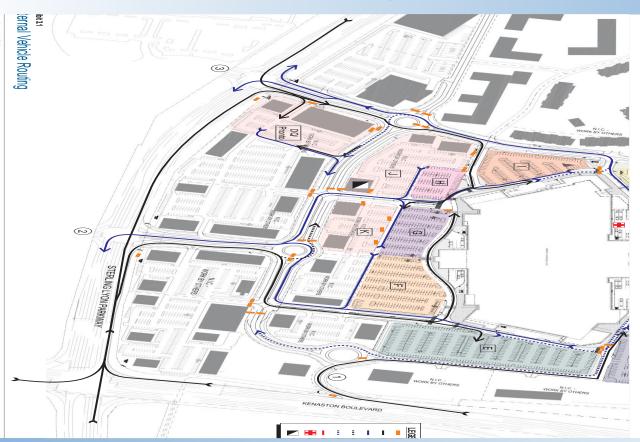




- TrafficManagementTeam
- Police Officers
- Traffic ControlPersons
- Parking Aids
- Ambulance
- Shuttle

Plan Development: Routing





- Optimize routing for even access / parking distribution
- Minimize inbound/outbound conflicts
- Barricade sections
- Alternative routing
- Emergency routing
- Flexibility

Plan Management: Equipment



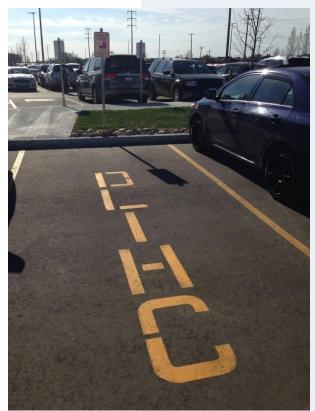
- Barricades
- Signage (Static/Variable)
- Cones
- Bicycles
- Safety Vests
- Radios
- Command Centre



Plan Development: Signage







Plan Development: Scheduling



- Mall & ETMP Schedule
- Orientation & Meetings
- Special Events & Giveaways
- Shuttle (partial hours midweek)
- Overnight Plan

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Outlet Collection	9:30 am -	9:30 am -	9:30 am -	9:30 am -	9:00 am -
Hours	9:00 pm	9:00 pm	9:00 pm	9:00 pm	6:00 pm
Partial TAS Hours	5:00 am - 8:00 am	-	-	-	-
Full TAS Hours	8:00 am	9:00 am -	9:00 am -	9:00 am -	8:30 am -
	9:00 pm	9:00 pm	9:00 pm	9:00 pm	6:00 pm

Plan Development: Pedestrians/Transit/Shuttle



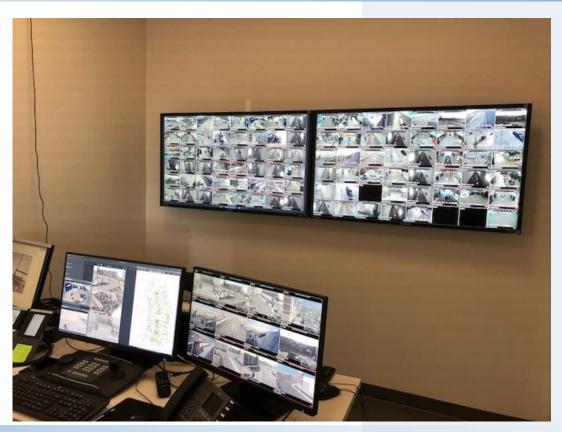




Plan Development: Data & Technology



- Parking Occupancies
- Queuing
- Signal Timing
- Data for planning
 - Premium Outlet
 Collection Edmonton



Plan Development: Emergency Procedures

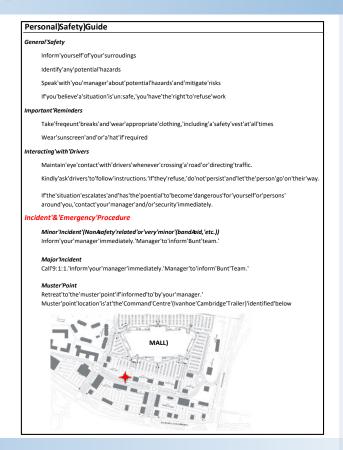


Traffic Related

- Site Closure/Overflow
- Fender benders
- Emergency Routing

Non-Traffic

- Police/Ambulance on-site
- Radio Communication
- Personal Safety Guide
- Unexpected Incidents



Plan Development: Communication



- Lines of Command
- Radios
- Strategies
 - Reference staff location by number
 - Reference lot location by letter
 - Check-in with staff throughout the day in-person



Lessons Learned



- 1. Flexibility
- 2. Telephone
- 3. Herding Cats
- 4. Practice, Practice, Practice
- 5. Fire!



Lessons Learned: #1 Flexibility



- Plan Implementation
- Routing & Parking Strategy
- Staffing
- Hours





Lessons Learned: #2 Telephone



- Team Communication
 - Decision Making
 - Radio Channels
- Public Communication
 - Media
 - Routing/Road closures





I'm guessing an attempt to control traffic in and out. It's not pretty.



Lessons Learned: #3 Herding Cats





Lessons Learned: #4 Practice, Practice, Practice



- Anticipate busy periods
- Practice during slow periods
 - Routing changes
 - Staffing Limitations
 - Data collection



Lessons Learned: #5 Fire!



- Unknowns
- Emergencies
 - Accidents
 - Fire
 - Security



Source: ChrisD.ca



Questions?