

## Special Development Services Committee Minutes

**Meeting Number: 14**

**June 6, 2023, 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM**

**Electronic Meeting**

Roll Call	Mayor Frank Scarpitti	Councillor Reid McAlpine
	Deputy Mayor Michael Chan	Councillor Karen Rea
	Regional Councillor Jim Jones	Councillor Andrew Keyes
	Regional Councillor Joe Li	Councillor Amanda Collucci
	Councillor Keith Irish	Councillor Juanita Nathan
	Councillor Ritch Lau	Councillor Isa Lee
Regrets	Regional Councillor Alan Ho	
Staff	Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer	Frank Clarizio, Director, Engineering
	Arvin Prasad, Commissioner, Development Services	Loy Cheah, Senior Manager, Transportation
	Trinela Cane, Commissioner, Corporate Services	Darryl Lyons, Deputy Director, Planning & Urban Design
	Morgan Jones, Commissioner, Community Services	Martha Pettit, Deputy City Clerk
	Claudia Storto, City Solicitor and Director of Human Resources	Erica Alligood, Election & Committee Coordinator
	Adam Grant, Fire Chief	Samson Wat, Senior Project Engineer
	Bryan Frois, Manager of Executive Operations & Strategic Initiatives	Rajeeth Arulanantham, Assistant to Council / Committee
	Stephanie DiPerna, Director, Building Standards	Clement Messere, Development Manager, West District
	Giulio Cescato, Director of Planning & Urban Design	

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Development Services Committee convened at 9:08 AM with Regional Councillor Jim Jones in the Chair.

Councillor Karen Rea arrived at 9:17 AM.

Councillor Juanita Nathan arrived at 9:22 AM.

The Committee recessed from 10:32 AM to 10:46 AM.

The Committee recessed from 12:00 PM to 4:35 PM.

## **INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We begin today by acknowledging the traditional territories of Indigenous peoples and their commitment to stewardship of the land. We acknowledge the communities in circle. The North, West, South and Eastern directions, and Haudenosaunee, Huron-Wendat, Anishnabeg, Seneca, Chippewa, and the current treaty holders Mississaugas of the Credit peoples. We share the responsibility with the caretakers of this land to ensure the dish is never empty and to restore relationships that are based on peace, friendship, and trust. We are committed to reconciliation, partnership and enhanced understanding.

## **2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

## **3. COMMUNICATIONS**

## **4. PRESENTATION**

### **4.1 PRESENTATION OF SERVICE AWARDS (12.2.6)**

The Development Services Committee recognized the following members of staff:

#### **CAO's Office**

Arvin Prasad, Commissioner, Development Services, 5 Years

#### **CAO's Office - Fire & Emergency Services**

Raymond Auld, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years

Monika Cloer, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years

Daniel Cresswell, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years

William Greenham, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years

Timothy Hillier, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years

Virasak Keosongseng, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years

Paul Lio, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years

Craig Spring, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years

Philip Tan, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years  
 Patrick Wu, Firefighter, Fire & Emergency Services, 5 Years

#### **Community Services Commission**

George McLellan, Facility Operator III, Recreation Services, 25 Years  
 Roseller Corcuera, Waterworks Technician, Environmental Services, 15 Years  
 John Puopolo, Facility Operator II, Recreation Services, 15 Years  
 John Blandizzi, Waterworks Operator I, Environmental Services, 10 Years  
 Derek Bonk, Facility Operator II, Recreation Services, 10 Years  
 Jonathan Angrove, Supervisor, Road Operations, Operations, 10 Years  
 Francesco Colavecchia, Facility Operator I, Recreation Services, 5 Years

#### **Development Services Commission**

Crystal Thorne, Process Management Administrator, Strategy and Innovation, 10 Years  
 Merissa Bonnie, Architectural Plans Examiner II, Building Standards, 5 Years  
 Audrey Farias, Project Manager, Strategy and Innovation, 5 Years

### **4.2 YONGE NORTH SUBWAY EXTENSION UPDATE BY METROLINX (10.0)**

Arvin Prasad, Commissioner, Development Services, provided an introduction advising that this item will provide an update on the Yonge North Subway Extension, and advised that Staff from Metrolinx were in attendance to deliver the presentation. Commissioner Prasad advised that there is a secondary plan process is underway for the Yonge Street Corridor area and will take into account the Yonge North Subway Extension project. Commissioner Prasad introduced Stephen Collins and Rajesh Khetarpal from Metrolinx to provide a presentation.

Stephen Collins, Project Manager, Metrolinx, delivered a presentation providing updates on the Yonge North Subway Extension. Mr. Collins introduced Rajesh Khetarpal to provide an update on community engagement and outreach thus far, as part of the project.

The Committee provided the following feedback:

- Questioned if the company contracted for the tunnels would be a Canadian company. Mr. Collins advised that as it is a rigorous review and award process, Metrolinx would not be precluding international firms and will look to select the highest performing teams that have submitted applications through the RFQ process.
- Inquired as to how many tunnel boring machines would be used and the estimated time for the tunneling. Mr. Collins confirmed that two tunnel

boring machines would be used, with staggered launches. Mr. Collins advised that, on average, the tunneling machine will advance approximately 10 meters per day. Mr. Collins further advised that the launch shaft for the tunneling would be established around 2024 / 2025 and confirmed that tunneling would begin approximately 12 months after the launch shaft is established.

- Inquired about the length of the tail track at Finch Avenue. Mr. Collins confirmed that the tail track at this location is approximately 100M and is to be used for train parking and turnaround.
- Questioned the impact of the project on residents of the Royal Orchard community and questioned the number of homes that would need to be expropriated for the construction of the emergency exit building proposed for the area. Mr. Collins advised that Metrolinx continues to explore locations and impacts on properties but noted that there would need to be an acquisition of full properties within the community, noting a likely minimum of two properties. Mr. Collins clarified that there would be property impacts in other locations along Yonge Street as well.
- Asked about redirection of CN freight traffic and asked if the redirection would impact nearby properties. Mr. Collins advised that Metrolinx is protecting for a future expansion of CN trackage, noting that there are no plans to acquire property for freight or passenger rail services on the existing CN rail corridor. Mr. Collins advised that during construction a temporary redirection of CN traffic would be required.
- Questioned the direction of the tunneling, asking why it would begin in the North and risk issues with alignment and connection. Mr. Collins clarified that beginning at the Langstaff Gateway would be preferred from a public perspective and noted that there is instrumentation which will ensure alignment.
- Questioned the noise levels for residents when tunneling is taking place. Mr. Collins clarified that the noise would manifest more by way of vibrations within a home when the tunneling is occurring underneath properties and confirmed that noise levels would be prescribed to the contractors.
- Requested confirmation of the stations that would be cut and cover. Mr. Collins advised that Steeles and Clark would be cut and cover, which involves digging from the surface and building a station box. Mr. Collins

advised that Royal Orchard will be a mined station, which does not involve working from the surface.

- Questioned who would be responsible for expenses which could arise as a result of project delays. Mr. Collins advised that the RFQ process will be very defined and noted that once a company is awarded the contract, they would be responsible for design, construction, and the establishment of a schedule which would be matched up with the Metrolinx schedule to ensure alignment. Mr. Collins confirmed that the Metrolinx team is currently working to forecast when service will begin. Mr. Collins further confirmed that related to the tunneling aspect, an advanced tunnel contract was designed to request a proposal for fixed price to ensure it is delivered at that fixed price. Mr. Collins confirmed that he will look into insurance to prevent cost overages with his commercial team.
- Asked if the entire extension would be electrified. Mr. Collins confirmed that the subway service will be electrified through the entire project.
- Questioned the impact on service levels with the focus on Transit Oriented Communities (TOCs), noting that subways may be fill up at busier stations. Mr. Collins confirmed that they expect this project to attract new subway riders, noting that subway capacity falls under the purview of the TTC. Mr. Collins noted that the TTC has projects underway to improve capacities, particularly of line one.
- Questioned what would be done with dirt that was excavated during the tunneling. Mr. Collins advised that they cannot prescribe exact disposal, but noted that Metrolinx will work with project companies to understand their disposal plans for the surplus materials.
- Clarified the RFQ process. Mr. Collins clarified that the first step is a request for qualifications, noting that once teams are selected, they will be permitted to submit proposals. Mr. Collins confirmed that he expects the tunneling contract to be awarded in November of 2024.
- Inquired about cost recovery for the project. Mr. Collins advised that the capital costs of the extension are being funded in partnership with the Region, Province, and Federal governments. Mr. Collins advised that the Provincial Government established the TOC program to offset costs of the project and noted that often the fare does not cover capital or operating costs.

Moved by Councillor Keith Irish

Seconded by Mayor Frank Scarpitti

1. That Metrolinx's presentation on the Yonge North Subway Extension - Project Update be received.

**Carried**

## **5. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Moved by Councillor Juanita Nathan

Seconded by Regional Councillor Joe Li

That, in accordance with Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, Development Services Committee resolve into a confidential session to discuss the following matters:

**Carried**

### **5.1 YONGE NORTH SUBWAY EXTENSION (13.0)**

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Yonge North Subway Extension

### **5.2 CMHC HOUSING ACCELERATOR FUND (10.0)**

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## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Juanita Nathan

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Keyes

That the Development Services Committee adjourn at 6:11PM.

**Carried**