

Osgoode CLC – July 18, 2023

Attendees

Elected Officials/Staff

Chris Haskim - Councillor Malik's office
Councillor Ausma Malik
MPP Chris Glover

City of Toronto

Bryan Bowen - Parks Forestry and Recreation
Vanessa Opassinis
Richard Borbridge
Nour Alsoori
Nazli Dehghani
Julia Murnaghan
Julia Orsini
Anthony Irving
Tom Schwerdtfeger

Ontario Transit Group

Pedram Roshani
Lisa Brody-Hoffman
Juan Mendez Preciado
Allison Dewhirst

Metrolinx

Mark Clancy
Ross Andersen
Robert Chisholm
Jesse Pakkala
Daniel Cicero
Malcolm Mackay
Fatima Niroomand

BIA/Community Groups

Alan Liu - FDBIA
Max Allen - Grange Community Association
Amy Mushinski - Four Seasons
Simon DiVincenzo - LSO
Jacob Bakan (JUD)
Trevor Guy (JUD)
Hamelin Flavie
Karen W (Smarthouse)
Kristina
Andrew Robertson - FDBIA
David Robitaille - Canadian Opera Company
Maria Mihailscu
Liz Driver - Campbell House

OVERVIEW

The first Osgoode CLC took place at 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. on July 18, 2023, via Microsoft Teams. The update was a combination of advanced works progress and next steps, as well as an introduction to OTG and planned next steps/timing for the construction phase.

QUESTIONS

- **Please provide specific info about "pedestrian-friendly" street design improvements at University & Queen. Will they be significant improvements, given the landmark status of the intersection? Will you liaise with the community about the street-design improvements?**
 - We will ensure the team works with the City to ensure any City infrastructure, such as sidewalks, meets their requirements as well as transit needs. We will follow up regarding consultation.

- **Today, there were vibrations felt on the west side (Campbell House side) from east side work. When will you be posting vibration levels?**
 - We have installed vibration monitors inside Campbell House near South African War memorial and on lawn of Campbell House, monitoring vibration levels. We also have an alarm system in place but so far, we haven't triggered anything that is outside of acceptable levels for a heritage site. We will share regular updates on noise and vibration levels at future CLCs.
 - Today, there was a large concrete vault brought up to street level, we have been working to break it up. We have moved it away from judiciary and Campbell House. We are looking back at the records to coordinate where the sensors that are in place with Osgoode Hall are located to ensure we police this in a more active fashion to minimize impacts.

- **Will you subcontract a heritage contractor to do all the heritage work?**
 - Yes, we have a heritage contractor in place.

- **After this meeting, please share the updated slide deck. Did not see the "Permission to Enter Notices" slide in the presentation material shared prior to the meeting.**
 - This deck will be circulated.

- **Please also liaise with Campbell House because we have indoor and outdoor events at the northwest corner.**
 - Noted.

- **We conducted a walk through prior to the Queen closure and asked about how vibration levels will be tracked, we are requesting a baseline across the alignment so they can measure noise. To date, we haven't received a response, from a request back in April. Please provide steps you are following and share with all on this call.**

- We did get a request through Transit Expansion Division to share noise and vibration data, there is a need for us to analyze the data or there would be many exceedances not related to construction, so we are working with them and we will be sharing reports on a monthly basis and on a complaints basis if we do receive a complaint.
 - We are also developing a response protocol.
- **Would you please circulate to everyone the current plans for the concourse level.**
 - Noted and we will have to circle back on this ask.
- **Emergency vehicle access along University, is the roadway going to be torn up and if so, how will a fire truck go along there?**
 - We have coordinate this with IO, there will still be a lane available at all times for EMS up University and there will be steel plates in place as needed. Normal access to buildings will be permitted as per fire access states.
- **Will you be maintaining access across York Street (all four intersections)?**
 - Will revert back once we have onboarded the contractor and see their traffic plans but no plans to limit-access to buildings.
- Lots of participants from across areas is valuable and helpful and would like to correct statement about 1 person per org per org, we are also looking to involved residents within the area
- **What is being demolished at Osgoode?**
 - South entrance at 205 Queen Street West of the façade
- **Where will you store the East façade?**
 - Relocated to the Simcoe Street laneway during construction
- **Need to protect our businesses and our communities and these events give us an opportunity to discuss, need to work with BIAs so our businesses flourishes, so our businesses know what's coming**
 - Appreciate your feedback and we are committed to working with local community and BIAs to minimize impacts to businesses.
- **When Metrolinx request only one person per organization to attend CLC, its limiting and gives the impression that you don't want multiple opinions and ideas shared. The more diverse voices on the CLC, the better-informed Metrolinx will be.**
 - Metrolinx's intention was not to purposely limit attendees. We look forward to continuing an open dialogue with all parties during the project and via the CLCs.

- **It's important for the Osgoode CLC to have a focussed meeting about how the Osgoode community might benefit under the Metrolinx pillar for Public Realm (aka beyond sidewalks). Will you organize such a focussed meeting about the Public Realm Pillar soon? (i.e. Cllr, MPP, residents, City, etc.) We want a focused meeting about it.**

- Public realm is part of Metrolinx's four pillar approach, and there will be many discussions to be had going forward.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Share recording of the meeting
2. Circulate meeting minutes
3. Schedule next CLC for August 2023
4. Provide more details on traffic plans and mitigations for York Street when available, in advance of the work starting.