

# King/Bathurst CLC MEETING MINUTES

November 2, 2023

6:00PM-7:00PM

## ATTENDEES:

### City of Toronto

- Michael Paolucci
- Julia Murnaghan
- Chris Haskim, Councillor Malik's Office

### Government of Ontario

- Benna Whahedi, MPP Glover's Office

### BIAs/Community Groups/Non-Profit Organizations/Residents

- Admin Member, Horizon Property Management Inc.
- Anojan Sathasivam, Toronto Downtown West BIA
- Jessica Whelan, Evangel Hall Mission
- Mark Aikman, Factory Theatre
- Nicole Garito, Platform Media
- Alysa Evans, Cosa Nova
- Niyati Patel, Morguard

### Metrolinx

- Mark Clancy
- Daniel Cicero
- Bradley Naismith
- Franca DiGiovanni
- Malcolm MacKay
- Kenia Barreto

### Ontario Transit Group (OTG)

- Dante Mejia
- Garrick McIntosh
- Emaan Ali
- Julia Orsini

## OVERVIEW:

The Metrolinx and OTG teams hosted a virtual CLC meeting for King/Bathurst on November 2, 2023. The meeting commenced with **Metrolinx** welcoming attendees, providing a land acknowledgement and sharing a safety moment given that winter weather is fast approaching.

After this introduction, **OTG** proceeded to share construction updates with attendees, starting with the tunnels orientation and station building layout for the north and south entrances of

King/Bathurst Station. From there, the presentation outlined completed work to date, highlighting the temporary hoarding and fencing installation at the intersection of King Street and Bathurst Street. **OTG** then provided demolition updates in preparation for the mobile crane delivery and noted, in particular, brick dismantling at four station-site properties on King and Stewart Street. The presentation also shared a look ahead at upcoming work for the end of the year, early 2024 and the spring and summer of 2024.

Toward the end of the presentation, **OTG** did a deeper dive on the heritage work happening at the north and south sides of the site, including the preservation of heritage facades along King using methodologies like panelization, retaining in situ and brick-by-brick removal. Alongside this work, **OTG** referred to a diagram to describe the traffic management plan for the area, where the installation of the traffic set-up is now complete along Bathurst and King and will remain in place through to January 2024.

To conclude, **Metrolinx** discussed community engagement initiatives that are available for stakeholders to benefit from and paused on a slide sharing contact information to ask if attendees had any questions for the presenters. A summary of the questions posed by attendees, covering topics such as traffic impacts and construction timelines, and the responses offered by the presenters are detailed below.

#### **QUESTIONS:**

- **Cosa Nova: How will TTC stops be affected by the construction?**
  - **OTG** explained, to start, that a bus stop on Bathurst was initially moved and then decommissioned. As for streetcar stops, many were moved east by 30 meters for the safety of transit users. The team has been providing ramps for accessibility as well.
- **Cosa Nova: How will the construction affect the northwest side of King and Bathurst? How will it impact car traffic?**
  - **OTG** clarified that traffic impacts will be minimal on King, as the street mostly sees streetcar instead of vehicular traffic. The team added that, on Bathurst, two lanes have remained open. A notice of impact was issued as the team started looking into traffic matters and, generally speaking, the area has seen a good flow of traffic in both directions.
- **Cosa Nova: Can the slides from the presentation be shared with tenants to keep them informed?**
  - **Metrolinx** confirmed that the slide deck can be shared and offered to add a link to the webpage with the slides to the meeting invite.
- **Horizon Property Management Inc. asked if there is a map showing where the subway line will travel, including under streets and buildings, when it is up and running.**
  - **Metrolinx** explained that there is an interactive map online showing the route of the tunnels under streets and buildings and shared the following link to the map in the chat: <https://caportal.ca/metrolinx/ontario-line>.

- Metrolinx also shared the following map in the chat that displays the above and underground sections of the alignment:



- OTG added that the tunnel is going to be 40 meters deep.
- Cosa Nova asked when the work is going to be complete, including the new stations being built.
  - OTG explained that the entire project, including station completion and commissioning, will be done by 2030. The more immediate construction work will be complete by 2024-2026.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Metrolinx to share a link to the webpage with the slide deck in the calendar invite for the meeting.

The above is a summary of subjects discussed and conclusions reached at the above meeting. Please advise of any errors or omissions.