

Corktown CLC #5 MEETING MINUTES

January 25, 2023
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

BIAs/Community Groups/Non-Profit Organizations/Residents

- Al Smith
- Mark van Elsberg
- Ole Calderone
- Geoffery Mosher (LURA Consulting)
- Vincent Browne (LURA Consulting)
- Stewart Linton (SLNA)
- Suzanne Kavanagh (SLNA)
- Cory Lemos (CRBA)
- Neil Betteridge (GWNA)

Elected Officials

- Asiya Barak (MPP Wong Tam)

City of Toronto

- Julia Murnaghan
- Michael Paolucci

- Louie Lenti

Metrolinx

- Zahrah Munas
- Flavia Santiago
- Jason Hall
- Alexandra Grgas-Sorge
- Amanda Kusick
- Phil Rodriques
- Matt Simon
- Malcom MacKay
- Scott Brazeau
- Geoffery Mosher

OTG

- Allison Dewhirst
- Maxence Foure
- Bella Santos
- Jeffrey Muir (Stantec)
- Ryan Sebastian

OVERVIEW:

On Thursday, January 26, 2023, Metrolinx hosted a Corktown CLC session meeting in partnership with OTG. The meeting was hosted virtually, where Metrolinx provided an update on work currently underway at Corktown Station, alongside Ontario Transit Group (OTG), who provided a construction update accompanied with updates on archeological findings from the site.

During the session, attendees were able to hear updates on current and upcoming work and ask questions about the information provided during the presentation to team members from Metrolinx, OTG and the City of Toronto. Following the presentation, representatives from Metrolinx and OTG addressed questions and feedback.

QUESTIONS:

- **CRBA asked whether the community members would be informed if the project is on schedule in the following CLC.**
 - **Metrolinx** confirmed they will continue to provide construction updates as the project progresses.

- **GWNA asked about the process for the fibre optic utility relocation in the Don Yard.**
 - **Metrolinx** explained that the contractors responsible for this work will be able to provide updates. It's a large project that cannot be completed during the weekend, but Metrolinx is taking steps to avoid overnight work.
 - **Metrolinx** will be in touch with an update from the contractors on scheduling.
- **CRBA inquired about the archaeological report on north block, asking whether it will be available to the public.**
 - **Stantec** confirmed that once the reports are completed, they would be uploaded on the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports, where it would be publicly accessible. The excavation schedule for the north block would be similar to south block timeline.
- **A participant asked if the crews could remove some of the concrete curbs and other remnants that are encroaching into the sidewalk to allow better pedestrian access and snow clearing, specifically the corner of Front Street and Berkeley Street.**
 - **Metrolinx** is currently in touch with the City of Toronto to learn more about roles and responsibilities for snow removal.
 - **Metrolinx** confirmed the team will coordinate with the City to get it resolved.
- **A participant asked if photos of the Archeological findings be laminated and mounted on the black hoarding.**
 - **Metrolinx** confirmed that the team will follow-up this idea with the community.
- **CRBA inquired about the bus stop relocation, specifically the stop at south side of King St and Parliament St.**
 - **OTG** confirmed the stop would be relocated to west of Berkeley.
- **GWNA asked if OTG anticipate activities on or use of South Block.**
 - **OTG** shared that the team will carry out activities only after the completion of archaeological activities.
- **A participant (in the chat) - This question is more about the site plan and TTC operations with regards to the King Street frontage. How far is the station set back from the property line? We have noted that the King Street ROW is substandard (almost 3m narrower than a traditional City ROW.) We need the TTC and Metrolinx to review how the transit riders will transition to the station.**
 - **OTG** confirmed there would be an estimate of 2-3 metres of setback.
 - **Metrolinx** stated there are reference concept designs in place and the setbacks have been reviewed by the city. The relocation has not been addressed by TTC yet. Metrolinx will provide further updates at future CLCs.

ACTION ITEMS:

- **Metrolinx** to continue providing updates on scheduling on fibre optic utility relocation work.

- **Metrolinx** to share any updates on hoarding art engagement plan and the potential for mounting pictures of archeological findings.
- **Metrolinx** to provide further information on Station naming process.
- **Metrolinx** to provide an update on TTC operations and stop relocation during construction.