

Queen/Spadina CLC MEETING MINUTES

October 1, 2024 2:00PM -3:00PM

ATTENDEES:

BIAs/Community Groups/Non-Profit Organizations/Residents

- Alan Liu (Queen West BIA)
- Alex Melconian
- Anojan Sathasivam (Downtown West BIA)
- Brad Struthers
- Christian Castillo (MP Vuong)
- Evette Bernabe
- Roberto Bozzo
- Saied Dehgoli (Property Manager)
- Soon Mow Teh
- Sunil Singh
- Nancy Trendoff (MPP Glover)

City of Toronto

- Mohamed Ibrahim
- Nancy Aranha

Metrolinx

- Bradley Naismith
- Franca DiGiovanni
- Ross Anderson
- Daniel Cicero
- Kenia Barreto
- Jason Brander
- Sarah Conway

<u>OTG</u>

- Lois Rouveyrol
- Achraf Timsahi
- Maria Mihailescu
- Jennifer Margues
- Allison Dewhirst

OVERVIEW:

On Tuesday October 1, 2024, Metrolinx hosted a virtual Queen-Spadina CLC session meeting in partnership with OTG. Metrolinx and Ontario Transit Group (OTG) provided a construction update accompanied by safety moment tips about commuter safety tips. During the session, attendees were able to hear updates on current excavation progress at both sites or upcoming work and construction look-ahead, with a moment at the end to ask questions. Metrolinx concluded the formal presentation with an update on the community artwork plan and information on how to contact their project team.

QUESTIONS

- **QWBIA** asked where the actual stations are being built.
 - o **OTG** replied, the north site entrance will be where the heritage is and the south site will be under Queen Street West.
- Resident asked if Graffiti Alley is being used as a truck route into the south site?
 - o **OTG** replied, trucks will not be using Graffiti Alley just Queen Street and Spadina Avenue. Although there is a gate at Graffiti Alley, that is a secondary route that teams are not using.

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- **Resident** asked if OTG will fix the road on Graffiti Alley as is it becoming cracked.
 - o **OTG** replied since they are not using Graffiti Allery as their truck routes, it is not in their pan to make any fixes.
 - o **Metrolinx** added that due to the construction at the 438 Richmond building, Graffiti Alley could be affected by other construction as well. Metrolinx stated they will go take some photos of the damaged lane.
- **Resident** asked if Metrolinx can advise the building size for the condo being built above the station?
 - Metrolinx stated that it is an Infrastructure Ontario initiative, they shared the link of the website related to the build but as of now they do not have any information to share.
- **Resident** asked when the station north building will be complete.
 - o **OTG** replied that the north site building is scheduled to be completed by 2029 but the subway line itself will be completed and open by 2031.
- **Resident** stated they have received concerns regarding 24-hour construction noise keeping residents from being able to sleep.
 - Metrolinx asked if the noise is referring to the Osgoode site that currently has night work. Metrolinx added that the complaints vary from site to site as there is different types of noise. Metrolinx added that they are exploring options to mitigate noise where there are still piling.
 - o **Resident** confirmed
 - o the complaints were coming from the Osgoode site.
- Resident asked what the estimated cost is for the station building?
 - o **Metrolinx** stated the contract values are public online.
- **Resident** asked for clarity on the blue structure shown in a site image.
 - o **OTG** replied, it is used to collect garbage onsite and then it is placed on the dump truck to be taken out of site. OTG shared a photo in the chat reflecting it's use.
- **Resident** asked for more information about the 24/7 excavation.
 - OTG stated that excavation is going through soil, therefore there is no major noise impacts at the north site until they break through rock. The majority of the work is within the shaft.
 - Metrolinx stated that the 24-hour work is going to be at the north site only due to the proximity of residents at the south site.

Next meeting date: Tuesday, November 5th, 2024.