

**Ontario Line****Lakeshore East Joint Corridor Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)**

October 17, 2024

Meeting Minutes

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM (Teams Meeting)

**ATTENDEES****BIAs/Community Groups/Residents**

Shelley Kline - LSE CAC  
Kit Chapman - LSE CAC  
Stephen Davies - LSE CAC  
Katherine Mellin - LSE CAC  
Linda Sargeant - LSE CAC

Jennifer Lay - Riverside BIA  
Cathy Quinton - Leslieville BIA

Sarah Elton- East End 4 All

**Elected Officials/Staff**

Nicolas Valverde (Councillor Fletcher's Office)

**City of Toronto**

Terry Francoeur - Transportation Services  
Louie Lenti - Transportation Services  
Astro Man - Transportation Services  
Michael Paolucci - Transit Expansion  
Rana Soldouz - Parks, Forestry & Recreation

**Dufferin Construction Company (DCC)  
/LURA**

Michael Macaluso  
Hasnaa Maher  
Nico Zucco

**Metrolinx**

Alexandra Grgas-Sorge  
Katiana Moussa  
Nima Nouri  
John Potter  
Malcolm MacKay  
Mark Clancy

**OVERVIEW**

The seventeenth Lakeshore East Joint Corridor CLC took place at 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. on October 17, 2024, via Microsoft Teams. During this meeting, the discussion was focused on completed works, upcoming works at the bridges, and work within the rail corridor.

**DISCUSSION****1. Review of Completed Action Items**

- **Lakeshore East Community Advisory Committee (LSE CAC) additional item:**  
This community member is concerned that the CLC presentation is being sent to

the membership the day of the meeting. Also, the summary from the last CLC meeting was only published the previous day.

- **Metrolinx (MX):** MX will send the meeting materials well in advance to ensure the membership is prepared for the meeting. The last meeting's minutes were held back for review. MX will continue to ensure these are published well before the next CLC meeting.
- **LSE CAC Item number 5:** There are two different heritage building designations in the Riverside/Leslieville area, one that is provincial and one that is municipal. Is MX tracking if these heritage buildings are designations, and how is this being tracked compared to vibration levels induced by the construction?
  - **MX:** There is a difference between heritage buildings (provincial designation) and buildings built in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries (municipal designation). A municipal designation applies most to the Leslieville area. MX will take this item back as an action item to better explain the impact of vibration levels on these properties' specific designation.
  - **LSE CAC:** MX should collect information about the type of home people live in when they complain of vibration in order to accurately study the impact of that vibration on the building's specific designation.
  - **MX:** Assessments were made before construction commenced to determine which properties in the area are heritage homes.
  - Corresponding action: Metrolinx will explore having subject experts present at a future CLC meeting to discuss heritage building designations and the impact of vibration on different structures.
- **LSE CAC Item number 9:** Regarding the tree removals, a map needs to be provided to the CLC membership before the next meeting.
  - **MX:** MX is currently waiting on the finalized arborist report before sending a tree removal notice out. The aim is to get the final report by the end of this week. The community notice will be sent to residents on both sides of the corridor, including a map locating the trees being removed.
- **LSE CAC Item number 6:** Some names have been left out of slide #55 under the list of CLC Community Members.
  - Corresponding action: Metrolinx will update slide #55 to include the full list of LSE CAC members in the Community Members section.
- **Additional items raised by the CLC:** At Pape and Danforth, the trucks are blocking pedestrians and visibility for cars turning. Also, can there be a crosswalk? The traffic officers appear distracted by their phones instead of helping people cross. Lastly, when routes are planned on Carlaw for cycling and pedestrian walkways, can the community help inform what the streetscape will look like?
  - **MX:** The work on Pape and Danforth, and Carlaw is not in the scope of work for this CLC.

- Metrolinx committed to forward comments and questions regarding Pape and Danforth raised at the meeting to the respective team.
- **LSE CAC Item number 10:** What stage is the Riverside-Leslieville station design at? Is the bridge changing? The community would like to see the update.
  - **MX:** MX has a meeting tomorrow (Friday October 18, 2024) with the early works team to discuss their progress. After that, MX will be ready to provide an update to the CLC and broader community. The CLC is about construction, not design, therefore, community members are invited to visit the community office to see the designs in person and discuss this further.
- **LSE CAC Item number 11:** What is this action item about? Is MX inspecting properties?
  - **MX:** MPP Tabuns brought this action up at the last CLC meeting. MX has conducted inspections at properties that have reported damages and will continue to do so.
  - **LSE CAC:** Can MX produce an exceedances report? Also why hasn't the noise and vibration monitor on the corner of Paisley and Booth been installed earlier?
  - **MX:** Preparing and collecting data on a specific property takes time, considering monitoring is continuous and abundant. Specialists then need to analyze the large amounts of data and prepare a report. Regarding the vibration monitor on the corner of Paisley and Booth, noise and vibration specialists recommended installing this monitor so that MX can use this information to better model the levels of impact to properties closer to the construction site. The monitor located at the north corner of Jimmie Simpson Park was installed in response to community complaints. This will help MX understand the noise and vibration source and provide adequate mitigation to specific properties and the area as a whole. Another monitor was installed at 275 Booth to better understand community complaints associated with noise and vibration. The decision to add new monitors does not indicate that monitoring has been inadequate prior to their installation, rather they are additional measures.
- **LSE CAC Item number 13:** Not all the holidays between December and January are statutory. Can the action item reflect that work will not be taking place during the non-statutory days as well?
  - **DCC:** DCC does not intend to work and has not scheduled any work on non-statutory days during the holidays. However, crews will need to work on those days in slight chance there is emergency work.
  - Corresponding action: Metrolinx will adjust the language on completed action item #13 to reflect that disruptive work will not occur on all the holidays between December and January (including non-statutory days).

## 2. Review of Pending Action Items

- **LSE CAC Item number 1:** The graffiti at the LCBO has been there for two months now. When is this going to be removed?
  - **Dufferin Construction Company (DCC):** DCC has sourced a product to remove graffiti from the noise barrier without damaging or making it foggy. As soon as DCC receives the product, the graffiti will be removed.
  - **LSE CAC:** Will there be a shift to another company that will monitor graffiti for quicker service?
  - **MX:** There has been no change. Throughout the duration of this contract, DCC will assist with graffiti removal. Therefore, any concerns about graffiti can be sent to the MX Ontario Line Community Engagement team and to advise DCC.
- **LSE CAC Additional comment:** Can the team work to answer community CLC follow-up questions more quickly?
  - **MX:** MX can commit to answering community questions within approximately 5-7 business days.

## 3. Dundas Street East: Weekend road closures

- **LSE CAC:** What noise levels will be expected for the weekend road closure?
  - **DCC:** There will be a crane. The noise impact will be the engine of this crane. It is as loud as a truck driving on the road. There will be no banging or vibration.
  - **MX:** The lifts will take place during the day. Bolts will be tightened by hand at night.
- **LSE CAC:** Will compaction work take place in the daytime or at nighttime?
  - **DCC:** Expect compaction work early in the weekend closure - sometime early day on Saturday.

## 4. Track Shift Graphic:

- **LSE CAC:** Where are the Ontario Line tracks? Will there be another GO track?
  - **DCC:** There will be three tracks. The third track (named track #2) will be north of the other two and will come next year. There have been discussions to have a fourth track that are not final as of yet.
  - **MX:** There are two Ontario Line tracks north of the four GO tracks.
- **LSE CAC:** What are the timelines for all of the track installations?

- **MX** will provide timelines for all of the track installations when this information is available.

#### 5. **Construction Lookahead - Access Roads:**

- **LSE CAC:** When construction is complete, will the roads be put back, or are they staying? Also, how long will they be in use?
  - **DCC:** The access roads are being restored after their use. DCC will be using them for between a year and a year-and-a-half.
- **LSE CAC:** Can the CLC have all the access road diagrams, and a render from street view of access road #3 (Queen St)?
  - Corresponding action: Metrolinx will provide diagrams of all the access roads, as well as a render from street view of access road #3.
- **LSE CAC:** When will the access roads be constructed? Will there be sidewalks to help keep pedestrians safe? Also, what are the dust mitigations? There has been a request for MX to schedule a walk-through for the BIA/businesses to see what this will look like.
  - **MX:** MX will schedule this walk-through as soon as all details about lane restrictions, sidewalk adjustments are confirmed in early November.
  - **DCC:** The access roads are not all being built at the exact same time. Timing is not yet established as the team is still working through the details. . Dates can be shared in the next few weeks.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Metrolinx** will explore having subject experts present at a future CLC meeting to discuss heritage building designations and the impact of vibration on different structures.
2. **Metrolinx** will forward comments and questions regarding Pape and Danforth raised at the meeting to the respective team.
3. **Metrolinx** will adjust the language on completed action item #13 to reflect that disruptive work will not occur on all the holidays between December and January (including non-statutory days).
4. **Metrolinx** will provide timelines for all of the track installations.
5. **Metrolinx** will provide diagrams of all the access roads, once details are known, as well as a render from street view of access road #3.
6. **Metrolinx** to forward BIA festival dates to DCC, once confirmed, to coordinate construction activities.
7. **Metrolinx** to provide updates to the CLC on the property at 449 Carlaw at future CLC meetings.