

King/Bathurst CLC #12 MEETING MINUTES

November 7, 2024

2:00PM - 3:00PM

ATTENDEES:

BIAs/Community Groups/Non-Profit Organizations/Residents

- Alysa Evans (business rep)
- Lindsay Toth (resident)
- John Paul Diprospero (resident)
- Andrew King (resident)
- Aleesha (resident)
- Michael Schembri (board member)
- Rosemarie Christina (resident)

OTG

- Garrick McIntosh
- Flavie Hamelin
- Dante Mejia
- Nicolas Barrio
- Santiago Lievano

City of Toronto

- Nazli Dehghani
- Nancy Aranha
- Michael Paolucci
- Sarah Conway
- Kathy Fenton

Metrolinx

- Bradley Naismith
- Mark Clancy
- Franca DiGiovanni
- Ross Andersen
- Kristin Jenkins
- Farid Rahme
- Jason Brander

OVERVIEW:

On Thursday, November 7, 2024, Metrolinx hosted a virtual CLC meeting for the future Ontario Line station at King/Bathurst, in partnership with Ontario Transit Group (OTG).

After a land acknowledgment, a safety moment on Community Safety around Construction and review of the action items from the previous meeting, the meeting progressed with a site layout overview and updates on King-Bathurst Station. Information about ongoing work and construction look-ahead was shared.

At the North site, the installation of the acoustic shelter exterior is now complete, including ventilation, lighting and fireproofing installations. Excavation is roughly 50% complete.

At both the North and the South sites, self dumping bin support structures have been installed. Capping beams installation is complete too in both sites.

At the South site, excavation is roughly 38% complete. Struts and walers are being installed across the future excavation shaft perimeter to add additional structural support.

In terms of upcoming works, an overhead crane will be installed within the acoustic shelter. This work will be completed in fall, allowing excavation to be completed.

Some information has been given about mitigations to reduce community impacts, mentioning noise and vibration monitoring devices, site hoarding, dampening blankets and dust barriers.

During the session, attendees asked questions related to construction.

QUESTIONS:

- **An attendee wanted clarification about timeline on the acoustic shelter roof and tarp on the east side.**

- OTG explained that they are planning to have an overhead crane which is needed to be stalled prior to the ceiling for the end of November. They added that outside envelope of the acoustic shelter is purely for weather protection and all the banners have been completed within the four walls. The roof is expected to be done first two weeks of December.

- **This same attendee had another concern about construction working hours, especially during night and early morning.**

- OTG replied that they start to work in a new cycle of 24 hours to reach the missions that they have and achieve the milestones related to excavation of the caverns planned for end of November.
- Metrolinx illustrated the process (with slide 6 of the presentation) to better understand.
- OTG added that the north shaft is going to be the main exit for the excavation of the cavern.
- Resident asked how uncomfortable the cavern digging is going to be and for how long till it gets a little bit more tolerable.
- OTG replied that the mining should be more comfortable in terms of sound, compared to the rock hammer that residents are experiencing today.
- Metrolinx will reach out to the resident directly, after figuring out with the team.

- **An attendee had also a concern about construction working hours and disruptive noise going until 5:00 in the morning, drilling into bedrock without the noise panels.**

- Metrolinx understand the concern and knows that this project is causing inconveniences along the way. There are regulations in place in terms of noise levels, especially at nighttime. Metrolinx to connect after and give an appropriate answer to the attendee.

- **Another attendee living at 95 Bathurst Street asked about permissions and names of people that allowed these 24 hours work.**

- Metrolinx said they can give more information later but that they do have permission to work 24/7 and there are reasons for that.

• An attendee asked if they could have access to the noise monitoring and who is monitoring what is acceptable or not.

- Metrolinx informed that there are noise monitors on site, on all the construction sites to ensure that the construction activities are keeping within the acceptable noise levels. These are different for nighttime versus daytime.
- OTG added that they haven't exceeded these limits.
- The attendee asked who is responsible for enforcing and monitoring noise monitors.
- OTG indicated that these limits are resumed by several people from both OTG and Metrolinx and alarm is sent immediately in case of exceedance. Another person from OTG proposed to reach out after, about the monitoring agreement.

• An attendee asked why is work still being done past seven.

- Metrolinx replied that there are certain requirements that they need to follow as an agency of the provincial government. Added that they will take that back and do a better job at making sure the residents know what the appropriate hours of work, and to figure out the best way to coexist in the neighborhood.

Next meeting date: December 5, 2024