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# Queen/Spadina CLC MEETING MINUTES

May 6, 2025 6:00PM - 7:00PM

#### **ATTENDEES:**

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

- Alan Liu (Queen St West BIA)
- Meg Marshall (Queen St West BIA)
- Simon Wong (Queen St West BIA)
- Sophia
- Valerie Eggertson
- Alex Pickering
- Norman Young
- Jason Fidalgo

#### City of Toronto

- Michael Paolucci
- Lais Siqueira
- Terry Francoeur
- Vitha Sivatharman
- Marouan Malaeb-Proulx (DM Malik)

#### <u>Metrolinx</u>

- Franca DiGiovanni
- Kenia Barreto
- Ross Anderson
- Mark Clancy
- Daniel Cicero
- Malcom Mackay

#### Ontario Transit Group (OTG)

- Sergio Gijon
- Guillermo Pastrana
- Loïs Rouveyrol
- Jennifer Marques
- Allison Dewhirst

#### **OVERVIEW:**

On Tuesday, May 6, 2025, Metrolinx hosted a virtual Queen-Spadina CLC meeting in partnership with Ontario Transit Group (OTG). This was the first virtual CLC meeting in 2025, following the provincial election earlier in the year, and an in-person open house held in April. Construction notices continue to be posted online, and other meetings with resident groups are also occurring.

Metrolinx and OTG provided a construction update accompanied by safety moment about lighting around construction sites. During the session, attendees were able to hear updates on current cavern work on the north site, excavation progress on the south site and construction look-ahead schedule with a moment at the end to ask questions. Metrolinx concluded the formal presentation with an update on the community engagement and information on how to contact their project team.

#### QUESTIONS

**A resident** enquired about the consideration of daytime and nighttime hours and whether mitigations like noise blankets and white noise back up alarms are actually in place.

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- **Metrolinx** confirmed that the time is classified as daytime work under the project framework. Acknowledged this is not aligned with public perception but is the definition being used in the Ontario Line project.
- **Metrolinx** and **OTG** confirmed mitigations are in place at the site.
- **Resident** requested photos or other proof. **Metrolinx** acknowledged this information is included in the updates shared with the building, but recognized the most recent update may not have been distributed to residents.

**A resident** asked if Metrolinx could provide a written list or table of possible noise and vibration mitigations, indicating what has been tried and what hasn't?

• **Metrolinx** replied that they will prepare a document/table outlining mitigations, feasibility, effectiveness, and status to share during a future engagement.

A resident asked what type of work is currently happening over the weekend?

- **OTG** responded given the current updates of work occurring currently, noting that during the last weekend works only shotcrete work was being done (applying concrete lining to walls), as this is less noisy than rock breaking and within allowable weekend noise limits. Other works will be scheduled during the weekend for future work; major rock breaking is not expected in upcoming weekend works.
- Additionally, **OTG** added that during the weekend noise thresholds are more strict, and **OTG** has confirmed compliance of works underway.

**A resident** asked why they didn't received updates about the construction schedule during the weekend?

• **Metrolinx** responded that the updates were provided to the building manager, but may not have been shared.

**A resident** questioned what is being done to address weekday traffic congestion, especially around 8 a.m.

• **Metrolinx** replied that they are working with City of Toronto Traffic to manage congestion.

**A resident** asked if the trucks could stop staging near the left-turn lane at Queen and Spadina?

• **Metrolinx** acknowledged the feedback.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- **Metrolinx** to prepare and share a written table of noise mitigation measures.
- **Metrolinx** to add residents of 438 Richmond directly to weekend work update emails to ensure better communication.

Next meeting date: Tuesday, June 3, 2025