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Yonge North Subway Extension (YNSE)
Yonge / Clark Construction Liaison Committee – Community Walk #2
Date: October 21, 2026
Yonge & John St (EEB4)

ATTENDEES

City of Markham:

- David Fleischer, Senior Planner

City of Vaughan:

- Lee Low, Project Manager, Transportation

Elected Officials:

- Micah Dodo, Executive Assistant, MPP Laura Smith

Community Representatives:

- Scott Ecclestone, Secretary & Vice-President, SpringFarm Ratepayers Association
- Evelin Ellison, Thornhill Historical Society/Ward 1 South Ratepayers Association
- Vicky E., Local Resident
- Dave Bradshaw, Director of York Condominium Corporation No. 491
- Susan Gerred, Director of York Condominium Corporation No. 491
- Stephen Filby, Director of York Condominium Corporation No. 491

North End Connectors (NEC):

- John Provenzano, Communications & Community Engagement Director
- Stuart McGhie, Traffic & Transit Manager
- Ash Naroo, Communications Specialist
- Erika Vilmanis, Communications Specialist

Metrolinx:

- Richard Tang, Director, Community Engagement, 905 East
- Alim Lila, Manager, Community Engagement, Yonge North Subway Extension
- Umang Devmurari, Project Manager, Yonge North Subway Extension
- Ifhtia Haque, Community Engagement Advisor, Yonge North Subway Extension

OVERVIEW

The second Emergency Exit Building 4 (EEB 4) community walk took place on Wednesday, October 21, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. near the future EEB 4 location. The walk was organized for members of the Yonge & Clark Construction Liaison Committee (CLC), with members of the Metrolinx Yonge North Subway Extension (YNSE) & North End Connectors (NEC) project teams in attendance.

The walk provided CLC members with an opportunity to discuss construction activities in the context of the surrounding neighbourhood and to engage directly with the project

team on potential community impacts. Members were invited to ask questions, share observations, raise concerns, and provide feedback on construction mitigation measures for the project's consideration. Discussions focused on daytime piling work at EEB 4, considerations related to the noise wall, and measures to mitigate construction-related impacts and additional safety measures for the surrounding community.

QUESTIONS

The following questions were recorded and discussed during the CLC.

1. **The fire hydrant on the east side of Yonge Street has been decommissioned due to construction. In the instance of an emergency will York Region Fire have access to a hydrant?**
   A: Metrolinx and North End Connectors work closely with emergency services when planning construction activities and mobilizing work areas. We have worked collaboratively with York Region emergency services to ensure that sufficient access is maintained through construction.
2. **How will businesses on the west side of EEB 4 be supported when construction begins?**
   A: Conversations with businesses have already been initiated, and Metrolinx and North End Connectors are providing support through measures such as wayfinding through some of the traffic changes along Yonge Street. Business support plans will continue to evolve as construction progresses, and once piling has been initiated on the west side of Yonge Street. Supports will be tailored based on community feedback and the needs of local businesses.
3. **What additional noise mitigation measures are planned to address noise impacts during overnight piling work?**
   A: Metrolinx and North End Connectors are exploring additional measures to help mitigate noise impacts associated with piling work. Further details will be shared as the mitigation measures are developed – ahead of future overnight piling work.
4. **The east side of Yonge Street looks aesthetically nicer now that the hydro lines have been removed. Can Metrolinx bury that infrastructure?**
   A: The hydro lines that exist along Yonge Street are regional infrastructure. Metrolinx and North End Connectors assume temporary custody of that infrastructure through construction. Neither Metrolinx nor NEC can advise on this matter. Please direct any questions to York Region and Alectra.
5. **When piling is completed on the east side of Yonge Street, can the site be restored with grass and trees?**
   A: Piling activities on the east side of Yonge Street are expected to be completed in late spring 2027, at which point, NEC will begin piling on the west side of Yonge Street. Once NEC's work on the east side is completed, our future Station, Rail and Systems (SRS) contractor will need to occupy the space to complete the construction of the EEB headhouse and supportive infrastructure.

Timing for restoration of the green space at Yonge & John will be dependent on the construction timelines provided by our future SRS contractor. Metrolinx will update the community on timelines for restoration at a later point.

NEXT STEPS

Upcoming CLC scheduled for October 28th, 2026, for additional discussion on construction at Emergency Exit Building 4, as well as Clark Station.

PHOTOS & ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:









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Note: In our previous EEB 4 CLC community walk, members from the community requested an image that demonstrated the approximate location of the twin tunnels and the vertical shaft for Emergency Exit Building 4. The image above was shared on our community walk on October 21st and presented to members of the community for reference purposes only.