

**Ashbridges Bay Maintenance and Storage Facility
Construction Liaison Group (CLG) - Soil Removal
Meeting #2 South Riverdale Community Health Centre**

June 6, 2011

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Attendees

Bruce Nagy (EA - Councillor McMahon)
Caron Court (Leslie Street Representative)
Bill Brown (Gardiner East Contaminated Soil Monitoring)
Rick Di Cecco (Toronto Hydro- Commissioners Street)
Frank Campbell (TTC Construction Supervisor)
Rick Holli (TTC Project Manager)
Lito Romano (TTC Community Liaison)
Sarah Currie (TTC Strategic Partnerships)
Barb Lachapelle (Toronto Public Health)
Rod Adams (Ministry of the Environment)

Regrets

Susan Serran (EA - Councillor Fletcher)
Norman Oliver (Canadian Tire)
Jennifer King (Cycling representative)
Paul Young (South Riverdale Community Health Centre)
Annette Parent-Sullivan (Leslie Street representative)
David Nagler (TTC Strategic Partnerships)

Action Items

1. Approval of April 20, 2011, minutes, to be posted online.
2. Inquire about traffic light length at Carlaw, as well as when cyclists signals will be active at Commissioners Street and Leslie Street.
3. Quarterly updates will be provided when soil removal begins (approx. September).
4. Confirm date of Tent Event in July.
5. Coordinate scheduling of CLG meeting as not to conflict with other meetings.
6. Signage route for cyclists to be erected.

1.0 Project Update

Discussion/Comments

TTC representative-

- Design for the Ashbridges Bay Main and Storage Facility (MSF) is proceeding. Tender is planned to be released in July, with an award in October, 2011
- Leslie Street Connection track- proceeding with design.
- February Commission meeting – staff were directed to study alternate storage facilities (Hillcrest, Exhibition Loop), to reduce load/traffic at Ashbridges Bay MSF.
- Commission also requested a study to review connecting track options via a Knox Avenue-Eastern Avenue-Russell Carhouse route.
- TTC staff will provide report at July 6, 2011 meeting with a recommendation. The report will be available on TTC. Commission Meetings site approximately one week prior.
http://www3.ttc.ca/About_the_TTC/Commission_reports_and_information/Commission_meetings/index.jsp
- Detailed design work on the landscape around the Site is on hold pending the outcome of the Commission meeting.

Discussion/Comments – Vehicle Rollout (Action item 8, Meeting #1)

CLG representative – How can the LRV drive down the route but not stop? Is there a possibility it could stop?

TTC representative- The deployment plans for the new streetcars have not been finalized. In order to pick up passengers while the vehicles are entering service (dead heading), the TTC must also consider accessibility, curb cuts, safety and fare enforcement.

CLG representative- It is wrong because we do not benefit directly by the facility, yet residents around the facility will be one of the last to use the service (Queen Street). Is there some goodwill attempt to address this?

TTC representative- We will keep aware of the opportunity and raise this with Service Planning

2.0 Truck Flow/Idling/Clean

CLG Question	TTC Answer
Q 1.1) Truck Flow. Traffic light at Carlaw is long. Will this cause a traffic problem for Toronto Hydro?	A 1.1) This will be monitored and TTC will discuss this with Toronto Transportation if it becomes problematic.

Discussion/Comments

CLG representative- Mentioned that trucks may need to take alternative route at times to prevent idling vehicles.
TTC representative- The contractor is aware of using the alternate routes if necessary but they will not include residential streets. Cherry Street is a possible option.

2.0 Leslie Street Construction

CLG Question	TTC Answer
Q 2.1) Why wasn't more information on the Leslie Street utility location included in the monthly update?	A 2.1) It would be premature until a final routing decision is made at the July Commission meeting.
Q 2.2) Will there be any intent to inform residents about the utility relocation?	A 2.2) As information becomes available, we will share it with residents. We do not want to speculate before decisions have been made.

Discussion/Comments

TTC representative – Leslie Street construction will begin in 2012, estimated completion early 2014. Will require extensive utility relocation.
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CLG representative- Residents need to be informed if construction is going to be pushed out for 2 additional years.

TTC representative- No, the construction will not take two additional years – it is estimated to have a total duration of two years. If Leslie Street is the final route, construction may not be complete until 2014, the original timeline was mid 2013.

3.0 Soil Removal

CLG Question	TTC Answer
Q 3.1) What kind of measures are you taking for safety at the site?	A 3.1) Working in compliance with the Ministry of the Environment and Toronto Public Health. Air and Dust monitors placed around this site as well as within the community. Reports will be posted regularly.
Q 3.2) New neighbours have moved onto Leslie Street and were told the smell from Ashbridges is due to TTC construction?	A 3.2) The odour is originating from the sewage treatment plant. If the problem persists, residents should contact the Ministry of the Environment at 416-326-3381 or call 311 to report it
Q 3.3) Could there be a problem or smell from the hydrocarbons in the soil? Will site odours be identifiable?	A 3.3) The contractor is aware of odours in the area. Odours emanating from the site will be distinct from those at the Treatment Plant..
Q 3.4) What about truck cleaning?	A 3.4) All trucks will be washed down prior to exiting the site to ensure mud not tracked onto the road.
Q 3.5) Will the trucks be identifiable?	A 3.5) The trucks are all independently owned and operated but will have a Ministry of the Environment number on them. The vehicles will look like tractor trailers and will be tarped to prevent drifting soil from the bucket.
Q 3.5) Is there any information on queuing of trucks?	A 3.5) Trucks will not be queuing on Commissioners Street where parking or stopping is forbidden; the contractor will radio them into the site as they are required.

4.0 New Business

CLG Question	TTC Answer
Q 4.1) What about the marathon on October 26, 2011?	A 4.1) No work is scheduled for Sundays.
Q 4.2) How long will the trucks be in the area for?	A 4.2) There are number of variables that would impact this. Assuming good weather conditions, trucks could complete their work in six months.
Q 4.3) what about the Marigold property structure?	A 4.3) Pre-condition and post construction surveys will be completed. These will document any changes to the properties. Marigold property owners have advised TTC that there were foundation issues with their building during its construction. This will be considered further during detailed design.