

## Public Works and Infrastructure Committee - Item 8.4

*Considered by City Council on September 26 and 27, 2007*

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### Scarlett Road/CP Rail Bridge Class Environmental Assessment Study

#### City Council Decision

City Council on September 26 and 27, 2007, referred this Item to the Budget Committee for further consideration, and directed that any change in the status of this project be reported out to Council, through the appropriate Committee, as a discrete item.

(August 22, 2007) Report from the General Manager, Transportation Services.

#### Committee Recommendations

The Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommends that:

1. the increase in overall project cost and acceleration of cash flow funding be deferred for consideration with the Transportation Services 2008 Capital Budget;
2. the General Manager, Transportation Services review any potential cost-sharing arrangements with the Toronto Transit Commission for works programmed for 2010 to 2013, inclusive, and report back to the Budget Committee as part of the 2008 Capital Budget process; and
3. the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

#### Financial Impact

Future discussions with the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) will need to be undertaken with a view to not only cost-share in the original proposal but also with the incremental enhanced transit portion. A funding request for an increase in overall project cost and acceleration of cash flows will be included in the 2008 Transportation Capital Budget submission. There are no financial impacts to the 2008 capital plan.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

## **Summary**

The recommended design of the Scarlett Road/CP Rail Bridge contained in the Class Environmental Assessment Study previously prepared for this project, has been modified to protect for a potential future exclusive transit right-of-way. The modified design was developed in consultation with Toronto Transit Commission staff and does not result in any additional impacts to facilities or properties, outside of those owned by CP Rail, in comparison to the originally recommended design. However, the modifications do result in an increase in the overall project cost to \$19.30 million from the original \$14.85 million recommended in the Transportation Services Division's five-year capital plan. The Environmental Study Report for this project is being amended accordingly, and will be filed in the public record in September 2007.

Advancing the construction of this project by several years has been considered but is not recommended at this time, due to the impact this would have on the funding of other state of good repair projects. It is recommended, however, to advance the programming of the detailed design, property acquisition and other preparatory works in order to reduce the budget impacts of the project in any given year and to ensure that the project can be completed by 2013.

## **Background Information**

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<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-6300.pdf>