

November 5, 2008

**BUDGET COMMITTEE:**

City Council on October 29 and 30, 2008, adopted the following Motion, without amendment, and, in so doing, referred the request for \$0.3 Million in funding (to allow the project to continue until April 2009) through the 2009 – 2013 Capital Program budget process:

**MM25.14 Yonge Subway Extension - Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP)**

*Moved by Councillor Giambrone, seconded by Councillor Filion*

**SUMMARY:**

York Region is leading, at their expense, a Functional Planning Study and Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP) under the new EA Act Regulations for the Yonge Subway extension from Finch Avenue to Highway 7. Public meetings on the project have already been held in Toronto/York with respect to the project and the final public meetings under the TPAP process are planned for late November prior to the next City Council Meeting on December 1, 2, 2008. A Notice of Study Commencement must be issued by TTC/City by the end of October 2008 to allow City/TTC to join the York TPAP process already in progress.

As a result, it is critical that City/TTC participation in the TPAP process for the Yonge Subway be considered by the Commission and City Council by the end of October. This will allow City/TTC to issue the necessary notices to join the York TPAP process and fully participate in the remainder of the study process.

The TTC staff report on this issue that will be considered by the Commission on October 23, 2008 will be forwarded as supplemental information to this Notice of Motion.

A further report will be submitted to the December 17, 2008 Commission Meeting and January 27 and 28, 2009 City Council Meeting outlining the results of the public consultation process to be held in November 2008 and the final recommended concept for the Yonge Subway extension project.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. That City Council confirm the City of Toronto as a co-proponent of the Yonge Subway northerly extension project.
2. That City Council confirm City of Toronto staff, along with TTC staff, participating in the necessary public consultation process for the project and that staff report back on public concerns about the project as required.
3. That City Council refer the request for \$0.3 Million in funding (to allow the project to continue until April 2009) through the 2009 – 2013 Capital Program budget process.

Council considered the communication (October 24, 2008) from the General Secretary, Toronto Transit Commission, together with Report No. 18 (October 23, 2008) from the Chief General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission, addressed to the Toronto Transit Commission (MM25.14a).

for City Clerk

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Attachments

Sent to: Budget Committee  
City Manager  
Chief General Manager, Toronto Transit Commission