

December 22, 2009

Ms. Ulli Watkiss
City Clerk
City of Toronto
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Dear Ms. Watkiss:

At its meeting on Wednesday, December 16, 2009, the Commission considered the attached report entitled, "Yonge-University Spadina Line – Subway Rail Yard Needs Strategy."

The Commission adopted the Recommendation contained in the report, as listed below:

It is recommended that the Commission approve the following recommendations noting that the attached report *Yonge-University Spadina Line – Subway Rail Yard Needs Strategy* was deferred at its meeting of November 17, 2009:

- (1) Approve the Subway Rail Yard Needs Strategy (SRYNS) to provide sufficient yard capacity to 2030 (based on Option 2A) for the Yonge-University-Spadina (YUS) line noting that functional planning/scope definition to implement the strategy is currently underway and will be reflected in the future TTC Capital Program;
- (2) Forward this report to York Region and the Town of Richmond Hill for their information concerning the implementation of the Richmond Hill extended tail track (14 trains) and post 2030 Yonge Subway Yard requirements, noting that the Richmond Hill extended tail track is a key component of implementing recommended Option 2A;
- (3) Forward this report to Metrolinx and the City of Toronto for their information, noting that the full implementation of the SRYNS will impact the TTC Capital Budget and the budget for the Yonge Subway Northern Extension Project;

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- (4) Authorize staff to take the necessary steps to identify a suitable property that could be purchased within the next 10 years to protect for the design and construction of a

future storage and maintenance yard on the Yonge Subway side of the YUS line in order to protect the long term/strategic rail yard needs of the TTC beyond 2030 and approve, in principle, the inclusion of funds in the outlying years of the 2011-2020 Capital Program for the purchase of a new yard on the Yonge Subway side of the YUS line to provide staff with the flexibility to purchase a suitable property should one become available for sale; and

- (5) Endorse staff's inclusion of a subway rail yard needs analysis for the Bloor-Danforth Subway line to identify long term yard requirements to 2030 and beyond as part of the 2011-2015 Capital Program.

The Commission also adopted the following motion:

That staff re-evaluate the assumptions before any detailed work is done on an additional YUS rail yard and after the property acquisition with a view to including in the analysis the ridership potential in connecting Sheppard and Downsview Stations and further expanding the Wilson Yard.

The foregoing is forwarded to the Budget Committee for information.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Vincent Rodo
General Secretary
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