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Ulli Watkiss City Clerk Toronto City Hall 100 Queen St. W.

Dear Ms. Watkiss,



Administrative Inquiry Re: CC 37.17 - Scarborough Rapid Transit Options

I am submitting this Administrative Inquiry (under Municipal Code S27-61) to obtain clarification and information regarding CC 37.17 - Scarborough Rapid Transit Options presented to the July 2013 session of City Council.

Attachment 3: SRT Conversion to Subway, High Level Estimate sets the price of the new trains for the Scarborough subway at \$125 Million which would allow the City to purchase about six new subway cars. The Globe and Mail suggested in a July 5, 2014 article that this number of trains would be insufficient for full service stating that "TTC budgeting for the project assumed only enough new vehicles to run half [as opposed to regular service on the Bloor-Danforth line] the trains to the final station"

However, the ridership estimates contained in *Scarborough Rapid Transit Options* assume 120 second headways which would require approximately 10 trains. The evidence suggests that the report has either underestimated the total cost of the Bloor-Danforth extension or has overestimated the ridership.

Considering the significant cost of this decision to Toronto residents, including a 30 year tax increase, I am asking for clarification of this information.

Sincerely,

Josh Matlow Toronto City Councillor Ward 22- St. Paul's