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Dear Mayor Tory and Executive Committee,

The province's plan to take ownership of TTC subways will bring significant and lasting changes to transit affordability and governance in Toronto. Despite the potential consequences, there is little understanding and clarity about the province's plans.

The public needs to be given a meaningful opportunity to both understand and give input into this plan.

This is a complex issue that requires robust consultations with the residents who will be impacted, possibly for decades to come. Online consultations and public meetings with the opportunity to fill in comment cards are insufficient to invite the full participation and capture the range of potential impacts on residents. Residents in our neighbourhood who commute long distances by transit will be especially impacted by any plan to change the fare structure and governance of our transit system.

Based on the information that is available, we have serious concerns about the impacts of the province's plan. Experts have warned that the province's intention to seek private sector investment to build new stations could delay new lines.

https://www.thestar.com/news/city_hall/2019/01/14/provinces-push-for-private-funding-additional-stops-puts-scarborough-subway-at-risk-of-delays.html)

The TTC requires \$33 billion over the next 15 years just to maintain the current subway system, but the province has not committed to ensuring that these maintenance costs are covered. This raises serious safety and reliability concerns.

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/toronto/article-ttc-warns-of-rapid-decline-unless-investments-are-made-over-next-1/>)

The provincial transit agency is considering a fare-by-speed or fare-by-distance model of fare integration. The Terms of Reference and City Manager's report on subway upload negotiations have so far been silent on whether fare policy will continue to be set by the TTC. This is a troubling omission in light of Metrolinx's interest in changing local fare structures. There are implications for existing policies including the low income Fair Pass and free transit for kids under 12.

We urge you to make this process transparent by launching meaningful public consultations and a public information campaign to ensure that residents understand the potential risks of this significant proposed change.

Thank you,
Scarborough Campus Students' Union