November 17, 2011

Ulli Watkiss
City Clerk
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Dear Ms. Watkiss,

**RE: An Inquiry of the City Manager on TTIL and Related Issues**

I am submitting this Administrative Inquiry (under Municipal Code S27-61) to obtain information on a number of items related to the cancellation of the approved Sheppard LRT and the Mayor’s proposed Sheppard Subway.

1) The TTIL has (as per the attached report) spent $160,000. What did the City and/or the TTC obtain for that expenditure? When will City Council and/or the TTC receive a report from the TTIL?

2) When will the Sheppard subway proposal of the Mayor come to Council for debate and resolution? Such a major multi-billion dollar investment has had no discussion at the TTC Commission or any committee of Council, or Council itself. Given the quantum of dollars involved, and given to public policy implications, a Council process involving public meetings, business cases analyses and cost-benefit analyses, would clearly be in order. How does the City Manager and the TTC plan to roll out their process leading to a good Council decision?

3) The non-binding MOU between the Mayor, Metrolinx and the Province identifies the City as responsible for all sunk costs related to the cancellation of Transit City. What is the City’s financial exposure for the Mayor’s announcement of the cancellation of the Sheppard LRT? If that quantum is not known, how will staff get the number? What is the process for figuring it out, and when will it come to Council? How will it impact the 2012 capital budget?

4) Given that Transit City had the approval of Council, under what authority did the Mayor or the TTC act to announce its cancellation and stop work on the various projects?

Given the importance of these issues, I would appreciate detailed answers to each of the questions.

Sincerely,

[Councillor's Signature]

Councillor Joe Mihevc
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