

City Council

Notice of Motion

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City Involvement in Possible Future Expansion of Stouffville GO Line - by Councillor Chin Lee, seconded by Councillor Michelle Berardinetti

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Chin Lee, seconded by Councillor Michelle Berardinetti, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the City Manager, in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Transit Commission, to co-ordinate with Metrolinx on the possible future expansion of the Stouffville GO line to ensure the transit interests of the City of Toronto are duly represented.

Summary

In November 2012, Metrolinx announced that it had selected expansion of GO's Stouffville line as a priority for future transit improvement. As part of this project, GO Transit is undertaking a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) and Preliminary Design for the Stouffville railway corridor from just south of Kennedy GO Station in Toronto to Unionville GO Station in Markham.

With this GO line, the addition of two stations, one at Main Street connected to the Main Station (just to the north) and another station at Cherry Street will provide greater potential to develop the lands bordering this line. In addition to increasing potential for the Portlands, it will also provide rapid transit faster than subways in the north/south direction (see attachments).

This study is starting in the very near future.

(Submitted to City Council on June 11 and 12, 2013 as MM36.1)

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM36.1

(March 27, 2013) Communication from Elise Croll, Director, Programs and Assessments, GO - A Division of Metrolinx on the GO Transit Stouffville Railway Corridor Expansion Class Environmental Assessment

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2013/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-58522.pdf>)

Notice of Study Commencement on Stouffville Railway Corridor Expansion

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2013/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-58523.pdf>)