January 29, 2015

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

Dear Ms. Watkiss,

Administrative Inquiry Re: Operating and Capital Maintenance Costs for the Scarborough Subway Extension

I am submitting this Administrative Inquiry (under Municipal Code S27-61) to obtain clarification and further information on the Operating and Capital Maintenance Costs for the Scarborough Subway Extension

1. Page 8 of "Staff report for action on Scarborough Rapid Transit Options: Council Terms & Conditions" as part of CC 39.5 presented to Council in October of 2013 states:

"Given that the City will be the owner/operator of the new asset (Scarborough Subway Extension), the City is responsible for incremental operating and capital maintenance costs. The capital maintenance costs are estimated to be in the order of $30 to $40 million per year. Through the Master Agreement discussions, the City will seek compensation for the future operating and capital maintenance costs that Metrolinx would now avoid by not proceeding with the LRT."

It is unclear from this passage whether the $30-40 million per year figure includes estimated operating costs, or just the capital maintenance costs.

Questions:

- If the figure is just for the capital maintenance costs, what are the estimated operating costs?
- Relative to 2015 rates, how much of a property tax increase would equal the total annual capital maintenance and operating costs for the Scarborough Subway Extension?
2. Recommendation 5 from CC 39.5, presented to Council in October of 2013 states:

5. Direct the City Manager to further negotiate the following with the Province and Metrolinx, and to report back to City Council with the results of such negotiations:
   b. an agreement that defines the roles of the City and Metrolinx in the funding of operating and maintenance costs of new rapid transit projects, including the Bloor-Danforth extension and the Metrolinx Program covered by the existing Master Agreement, inclusive of compensation by Metrolinx to the City for any costs which would have been borne by Metrolinx under the Master Agreement in respect of the Scarborough LRT related to operations, capital maintenance and such other costs as may be negotiated between the parties.

Questions:

- What is the status of the negotiations between the City Manager and Metrolinx regarding capital maintenance costs and operating costs?
- When will the results of the negotiations be reported to Council?

Sincerely,

Josh Matlow
Toronto City Councillor
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