

EX13.3.6



Deputy Mayor
Vincent Crisanti



March 8th, 2016

Mayor John Tory, Chair
Executive Committee
10th floor, West Tower, City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

RE: EX13.3 - Developing Toronto's Transit Network Plan: Phase 1

Mayor Tory and Executive Committee Members,

We are finally realizing progress in our City with respect to public transit. The City, Metrolinx and the TTC are working together towards an integrated transit plan within Toronto with numerous projects moving forward.

Once the Finch LRT project is complete it will better connect North Etobicoke residents to rapid transit and the \$18 million in public realm funds dedicated by Metrolinx will provide for greater enhancements and efficiency along the Finch West corridor.

Although this transit investment will better integrate my community into the Toronto Transit System, there is still much work to be done. With great attention focused on central Toronto, Scarborough and South Etobicoke we cannot lose focus on the importance of continued transit investment in North Etobicoke.

I am encouraged by staff working alongside the Province on its GO RER program, which will enhance the existing GO network through more frequent service in both peak/off-peak hours along five core segments of the GO, including the Kitchener corridor. Staff have also identified, through SmartTrack, additional high frequency service improvements to the GO RER on the Kitchener GO corridor to provide an urban service. Connections along this corridor will further improve transit in this sector of the City getting North Etobicoke moving. It is crucial that a station is implemented at Woodbine along the Kitchener corridor, given the great development potential of that area.

We are taking the steps to get Toronto moving, but more must be done in North Etobicoke and I will continue to encourage and advocate for further transit investment in this sector of the City.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Vincent Crisanti", written over a white background.

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