

June 10, 2016

Councillor Cesar Palacio
100 Queen Street West, Suite B37
Toronto, Ontario
M5H 2N2

Dear Councillor Palacio:

Re: Fairbank (Dufferin) Station Service Building

I am writing this letter further to our recent meetings: (i) on Friday May 6, 2016 with Metrolinx, Crosslinx Transit Solutions and City Planning staff; and (ii) on Thursday June 9, 2016 with staff from Metrolinx, City Planning and the Major Capital Infrastructure Coordination Office.

Design of the Fairbank (formerly Dufferin) Station includes significant public space with the development of a plaza outside the main station entrance on the south east corner of Eglinton Avenue and Dufferin Street. The public realm and streetscape around the station will also be enhanced with trees, a water feature, and programmable space including electricity for use during community events.

In addition to these features, you have expressed a desire to obtain additional public realm improvements at the service building that will be constructed on the south side of Eglinton, west of Dufferin. Specifically, you would like to see exhibit or display space that may be used by the Fairbank Village BIA. I understand that your interest in this site, and for this particular public realm improvement, was conveyed to the TTC when they led the project. That was prior to our involvement, and unfortunately that message failed to be passed on to Metrolinx until recently. As a result, that specific feature was not included in the reference design concept for the station and ancillary buildings, nor included in the list of streetscape improvements that City Council requested Metrolinx to obtain through use of the Public Realm Amount.

Metrolinx is, nevertheless, willing to work with you and City staff to update the design for the service building in an effort to achieve your objective. To this end we have a conceptual rendering of the proposed display space, a "vitrine" (attached), and a preliminary estimate of the cost to construct and maintain this feature. An approved design will be incorporated in the site plan application that will follow.

The incremental nature of this work will have cost implications for Metrolinx, the City and BIA. Metrolinx is committed to working with you and staff to strike the appropriate balance between the scope of the additional work and the corresponding cost (both to construct and maintain). You have my assurance that Metrolinx will have an open mind with respect to the allocation of costs between the parties, and consider cost-sharing proposals that may be made by the City.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'JR', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jamie Robinson
Director, Community Relations and Communications
Rapid Transit



FRANK
or L.L.B.O.

H & H PIZ
416-783-7555

Special
CHICKEN WINGS