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November 24, 2016

Ms. Ulli Watkiss
City Clerk
Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
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Dear Ms. Watkiss:

At its meeting on Monday, November 21, 2016 the TTC Board considered the attached report entitled "2017 TTC and Wheel-Trans Operating Budgets".

The Board adopted the recommendations in the staff report, and approved the following amendments:

Recommendation 2(ii)

1. That the TTC Board endorse a fare freeze for 2018 to balance with the \$0.10 increase in 2017, ensuring that TTC fares stay in line with the rate of inflation.
2. That the TTC Board request TTC staff to report back to the TTC Budget Committee on the feasibility of harmonizing the TTC Adult pass discount programs (VIP, MDP) and budget implications.

Recommendation 3

If the city does not agree with recommendation #3 that the TTC Board request TTC staff to:

- a) work with City staff on a plan to transition the depreciation expense in the TTC operating budget to the TTC capital budget over a minimum 5-year period and report back to TTC Budget Committee by June 2017; and,
- b) provide all information requested on both the TTC's operating and capital budgets to City staff.



Recommendation 4

That the following statement be added to Recommendation 4:

“and further that TTC staff provide the City budget staff with information on TTC budget and information requests for consideration as part of the City’s 2017 Operating and Capital budget process” so such recommendation now reads as follows:

“4. Approve the 2017 TTC Operating Budget as detailed in Part 1 of this report and the 2017 Wheel-Trans Operating Budget as detailed in Part 2 of this report, noting that, at the time of writing this report, there is a combined remaining budget shortfall of \$61M on these two budgets, after incorporating the effects of recommendations 1, 2 and 3 of this report, including recommendation 2 (ii), the fare increase; and further that TTC staff provide the City budget staff with information on TTC budget and information requests for consideration as part of the City’s 2017 Operating and Capital budget process”.

The Board also approved the following motions:

- i) Request staff to report in the first quarter of 2017 on the loading standards to be used to determine TTC service, noting historical changes since amalgamation, and with recommendations to ease overcrowding and build ridership.
- ii) Request a detailed briefing note by end of 2016 on fare increases for the last 20 years, by category, with comparisons to CPI.
- iii) That the TTC Budget Committee starts its consideration of the upcoming budget in June each year, and that a first draft TTC budget be available for the June Budget Committee meeting.
- iv) Request staff to provide the total hours of service, per mode, per month, for the past 2 years, and that such report be included on the agenda of the next meeting of the Board.

The foregoing is submitted for your further handling.

Sincerely,



Vincent Rodo
Chief Financial &
Administration Officer

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Attachment

