

City Council

Motion without Notice

MM36.30	ACTION			Ward:All
---------	--------	--	--	----------

Request for terms of Reference on Planning Study for transit supportive development for the proposed Gerrard-Carlaw SmartTrack/Relief Line Interchange Station - by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Mary Fragedakis

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Mary Fragedakis, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, to prepare a draft terms of reference for a planning study to achieve transit supportive development in the context of neighbouring low-rise residential and broader City-building objectives in recognition of the transit investments being made for the proposed Gerrard-Carlaw SmartTrack/Relief Line interchange station, in consultation with the local councillor and community members, and request the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning to report to the Toronto and East York Community Council in the second quarter of 2018 on the proposed study, timelines and resource requirements.

Summary

Planning is under way for two major rapid transit lines – SmartTrack and the Relief Line - with a proposed interchange station in the vicinity of Gerrard Street and Carlaw Avenue. This proposed major transit investment will spur significant development pressure in this area. The station area is adjacent to stable and established residential neighbourhoods, as well as evolving employment and mixed use areas.

Undertaking an area planning study will allow the City to put an appropriate planning framework in place to guide future development in a context-sensitive manner.

This Motion is urgent as station planning work is already underway and initiating a planning study as soon as possible is required.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM36.30