Attention: Executive Committee  
RE: EX 9.1 Toronto-Ontario Transit Update  

October 23, 2019  

Dear Members of the Executive Committee:

On behalf of the Scarborough Civic Action Network (SCAN), I am writing to express some concerns about the report on the proposed transit agreement between the Province and the City of Toronto. There are some significant gaps that will have real impact on transit riders in Scarborough if left unaddressed, namely:

- The Scarborough Subway Extension (Line 2 East Extension) will not be completed until 2029 and the Scarborough RT (Line 3) is due to stop running in 2026. What specific and concrete transit options will be available to Scarborough transit riders between 2026 and 2029 to deal with this gap? What plans have been made to cope with this significant loss of access to rapid transit in Scarborough? Will funds be dedicated to buses? How will the City work to ensure that Scarborough residents have equitable access to transit and mitigate any hardships that will be endured by transit riders in Scarborough?

- Scarborough transit riders want, need and have been promised a regional rapid transit network. Will the City commit to reallocating its transit funds to long overdue rapid transit projects in Scarborough, namely, the Eglinton East LRT and the Sheppard East LRT and work to build a rapid transit network that would span the region of Scarborough? What process will be put in place to decide how the City’s transit funds will be used and ensure that Scarborough gets its fair share of funding for long overdue rapid transit projects?

According to the hundreds of residents SCAN has engaged across Scarborough just this past summer, transit is an ongoing issue and a source of frustration. Residents want to have access to an affordable, reliable transit network that spans the region.

We strongly encourage you to create a clear plan for Scarborough that addresses the questions above to ensure certainty and fairness for Scarborough transit users.

Sincerely,

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