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## **2022 CAPITAL BUDGET BRIEFING NOTE**

### **Funding for the Eglinton East Light Rail Transit**

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#### **Issue/Background:**

- At its meeting on January 19, 2022, the Budget Committee requested a briefing note from the Executive Director, Transit Expansion (TE) Division on the following:
  - City of Toronto allocated planning and capital funds;
  - Intergovernmental funding, including remaining Public Transit Infrastructure Fund availability; and
  - Full-Time Equivalents working on the projects.

#### **Key Points:**

- In Q3 2021, the City retained a consultant team to assist in advancing the Eglinton East Light Rail Transit (EELRT) project through the Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP) and 10% design. Constructability and baseline assessments for the 10% design are currently underway as part of the TPAP, including coordination with the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus (UTSC), and Metrolinx regarding the Line 2 East Extension interface and the location of the Maintenance and Storage Facility. The City is also updating the initial business case for the project.
- Further funding for the EELRT was not requested as part of the TE's 2022 Capital Budget process as current funds are sufficient to complete the TPAP and corresponding design process.
- Following the completion of the TPAP and 10% design, staff will seek the requisite authority and Council direction to advance the EELRT to 30% design.

#### **Funding:**

- City Council committed \$1.2 billion in funding towards the cost of the EELRT. Funding includes \$880.4 million from the redirection of both the Scarborough Subway Extension levy and \$357.1 million from the Transit SSE Development Charge Reserve Fund.

- As reflected in prior year reporting, the remaining PTIF funding balance was replaced with the City's Capital Financing Reserve Fund to maintain the Council approved budgeted amount of \$7M for the project.

**Resources:**

- TE has 2 FTEs allocated to the EELRT project to lead the TPAP, associated design process, and overall coordination of stakeholder divisions and external partners.
- City Planning has 1.5 FTEs to support EELRT.
- Toronto Water has 0.5 of an FTE to support EELRT.

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