

## OFFICE OF BUSINESS, OPERATIONS AND STRATEGIC AFFAIRS

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Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West, Suite B25 Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

By Email: councillor\_mckelvie@toronto.ca

Re: EELRT - University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) Integration

Dear Councillor McKelvie,

The University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) met with David Brutto and the EELRT Project Team on November 10, 2021, to discuss the EELRT project history and status update.

As an anchor institution deeply rooted in the community, UTSC is a strong proponent of a comprehensive transit network that serves all of Scarborough. Enhanced transit infrastructure is necessary for underserviced communities and will stimulate economic development and growth contributing to the revitalization of the surrounding communities.

With respect to the proposed MSF site, the University advised the Project Team that the original proposal to have the MSF site located at Morningside Yard was contemplated when the terminus station was to be located at the Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre. Now that the EELRT is being extended to Malvern with no phasing of the project, the proposed Conlins MSF site (Sheppard Avenue) is obviously the preferred location.

The University advised that the lands north of the University and the Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre represent a valuable redevelopment opportunity being close to the University and visible from the 401. Both the City and University were recently approached by Athletics Canada regarding a proposal to use the lands for a new outdoor track facility that would complement an indoor track being proposed for the new Field House project at the University. The redevelopment of this site, would present a great opportunity to leverage the significant investment in amateur sports in the establishment of the Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre and create a world-class sports hub in Scarborough. Alternatively, redevelopment of the Morningside Yard site could be leveraged for uses more complimentary to the University for significant economic development opportunities.

Sincerely,

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cc. Councillor Paul Ainslie, Ward 24 Scarborough-Guildwood