

## City Council

### Motion without Notice

<b>MM8.34</b>	ACTION			Ward: All
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**Authority to enter into an Agreement with The Regional Municipality of York - Cost Share on the Steeles Avenue Grade Separation - by Councillor Nick Mantas, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jennifer McKelvie**

*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 Nick Mantas, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jennifer McKelvie, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the General Manager, Transportation Services, to negotiate, enter into and execute an agreement with The Regional Municipality of York on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with the Executive Director, Transit Expansion and the Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure and Development Services, to receive fifty percent of the City's share of the basic grade separation costs for the Steeles Avenue Grade Separation Project.

**Summary**

As part of the GO Expansion Program, Metrolinx is undertaking the Steeles Avenue East Grade Separation Project. This project is reaching its final stages, with the completion of all major components. Metrolinx's Project Co. is expected to file for substantial completion in July 2023. Currently, City staff are collaborating with Metrolinx and Project Co. to address deficiencies identified during infrastructure inspections. Once the Grade Separation is completed and the City has accepted ownership and maintenance responsibility of the municipal components (e.g. the road and water infrastructure), the City will be required to make payments towards its share of the basic Grade Separation cost. Under the 2021 Revised Agreement in Principle with the Province, and under the GO Expansion Master Agreement with Metrolinx, the City and Metrolinx are responsible for contributing 15 percent and 85 percent, respectively, towards the basic grade separation cost of the Grade Separation (as per Items EX19.1 and EX16.4).

Simultaneously, the City is in the process of finalizing the Steeles Avenue Boundary Road Agreement with The Regional Municipality of York ("York Region"). As per Items PW32.8 and PW25.7, it is intended that this agreement will include a provision for a 50-50 cost share for the widening of Steeles Avenue East between Kennedy Road to Ninth Line. Although the Boundary Road Agreement is nearing completion, its execution might not occur in time to allow for York Region's contribution of 7.5 percent towards the cost of the basic grade separation for Steeles Avenue East. Therefore, the City intends to establish an interim agreement with York Region to receive its contribution and ensure timely payments for the Grade Separation.

**Background Information (City Council)**

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