

March 20, 2023

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Re: Osgoode Hall Station: Support for the Campbell House Proposal to relocate the Osgoode Head House

Members of Toronto East York Community Council:

ACOToronto is pleased to be part of the Subcommittee on Metrolinx Ontario Line Construction. We have written in favour of the creation of the committee, as well as our broader concerns with the substance and public consultation process of the Ontario Line Project. We are thrilled to see so much early correspondence from so many groups across the length on the agenda. There are many issues affecting community along the line and it is great to have a forum for discussion. However, without Metrolinx' committing to considering modifications to the existing plans, we will all be wasting our time.

ACOToronto is the local branch of the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario, founded in Toronto in 1933 by Professor Eric Arthur and Anthony Adamson. Through a network of 17 branches across Ontario we educate and advocate for the conservation and re-use of structures, districts and landscapes of architectural, historic and cultural significance to inspire and benefit Ontarians.

We continue to have concerns with the impact on cultural heritage along the line, the loss of multiple heritage properties along Queen Street in particular. The Ontario Line will have irrevocable impacts on Toronto's most significant heritage sites, including Fort York, Queen Street, East and West, Osgoode Hall, and the First Parliament Site. "Direct impacts are also anticipated for five Heritage Conservation Districts (HCDs): King-Spadina HCD, Queen Street West HCD, Riverdale HCD, St. Lawrence Neighbourhood HCD, and Garden District HCD.

We are very interested in seeing the impacts of the construction mitigated all along the line, but most importantly at Osgoode Hall. The proposal put forward by Liz Driver at Campbell House to relocate the Osgoode head house outside the grounds of Osgoode Hall merits further exploration by all concerned. We have lost the trees, but moving the head house as suggested could ameliorate conditions to permit better replanting, damage to the Osgoode fence, and perhaps be the first step in realizing University Park.

In conclusion, community efforts to achieve better outcomes have fallen on deaf ears at Metrolinx. We hope that the creation of a City Committee will provide a channel through Council to achieve better

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communication within the communities along the line and with Metrolinx. The issues require better design, which is more likely to be achieved through collaboration than through confrontation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Nasmith'.

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