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Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2 Attention: Sylwia Przezdziecki

## RE: TE10.40 - Metrolinx's Ontario Line Construction within the Toronto and East York District - First Quarter Update

Dear Mayor Olivia Chow and Members of Council,

This report back to Toronto and East York Community Council (TEYCC) provides informative and helpful information pertaining to progress of the Ontario Line in relation to Wards 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 19 and as such does not include information on Ward 15 and 16 in North York District. The two aforementioned wards include the Ontario Line Guideway, stations at Thorncliffe Park, Flemingdon Park, and the Ontario Science Centre, plus the Ontario Line Maintenance and Service Facility (MSF).

The Toronto and East York Community Council (TEYCC) established a subcommittee in early 2023 to monitor and report on Metrolinx's Ontario Line construction within the Toronto and East York District (TEYCC). On Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024 a First Quarter report was provided to TEYCC. The report "consolidates City staff recommendations while incorporating public feedback, reflecting on City Council directives, and provides a clear and comprehensive package of initiatives that the Province and Metrolinx should implement to construct the Ontario Line". The First Quarter report indicates that Metrolinx generally supports incorporating the City's recommendations.

This public, transparent, and accountable information urgently needs to be extended to Wards 15 and 16, so that it is available to both the representatives of, and the residents and businesses of Thorncliffe Park, Flemingdon Park, Leaside, and Don Mills.

There appear to be a couple of ways of accomplishing this – EITHER modify the subcommittee terms of reference and have it report to BOTH Community Councils, OR simply report to one of the existing committees likely the Infrastructure and Environment Committee.

## We recommend:

 that the reporting to Committees and City Council on Metrolinx's Ontario Line construction and related development matters be extended to Wards 15 and 16, in North York District so that it incorporates the Ontario Line stations at Thorncliffe Park, Flemingdon Park, and the Ontario Science Centre, plus the Maintenance and Service Facility (MSF).

Yours truly,

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