

Leaside Residents Association Incorporated

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

RE: MM22.20 Requesting Metrolinx to Provide Transparency and Accountability on the Eglinton Crosstown - by Councillor Josh Matlow, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle (Ward All)

Dear Mayor Olivia Chow and Members of City Council,

This is to confirm our strong support for Councillor Matlow's Motion to request the Province of Ontario to launch a public inquiry into the causes of the ongoing delays, the fractious relationship between Metrolinx and their Public-Private Partnerships-contracted consortium, Crosslinx, and increased costs in the construction of the Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit.

Along with residents and businesses all along the 19 kilometres of Eglinton Avenue, Leasiders have been enduring over 12 years of hardship due to the endless construction. They have suffered incredible disruption and unmanageable traffic and safety issues, as well as greatly reduced customer traffic, and loss of revenue.

The lack of clear and transparent communication from Metrolinx has served to make residents even more angered about the line's never ending setback-riddled, litigation filled, and extraordinarily costly construction process.

The Premier instructed Metrolinx to withhold any predicted opening date until it was 100 per cent guaranteed. The Province's failure to announce an opening date despite the apparent completion of the construction is a last straw!

Respectfully submitted,

Geoff Kettel and Carol Burtin Fripp
Co-Chairs

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