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February 14, 2025

**TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION BOARD:**  
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**Subject: Executive Committee Item 20.10  
Advancing the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit (Ward All)**

City Council on February 5, 2025, adopted [Item EX20.10](#) as amended, and a copy is attached for your information or appropriate action.

Yours truly,

*J. Canchela*  
for City Clerk

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Attachment

Sent to: Toronto Transit Commission Board  
Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Transit Commission

c. City Manager

## City Council

### Executive Committee - Meeting 20

EX20.10	ACTION	Amended		Ward: All
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### Advancing the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit

#### City Council Decision

City Council on February 5, 2025, adopted the following:

1. City Council authorize the Executive Director, Transit Expansion, in consultation with relevant City Divisions, Waterfront Toronto and the Toronto Transit Commission, to develop a Phasing and Delivery Plan with updated project costing for the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit to confirm the delivery approach and identify recommendations for early phase transit improvements in advance of the full construction of the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit, using existing funds previously approved by City Council.
2. City Council approve advancing the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit Queens Quay East Extension design between Parliament Street and Cherry Street, beyond 60 percent design, as required, using existing funds previously approved by City Council, to facilitate project coordination with the Gardiner-Lake Shore East Realignment project.
3. City Council direct the City Manager and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to inform the Provincial and Federal Governments of the City's funding commitments to the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit and request their financial support to fully fund the entire project.
4. City Council endorse the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit project as a priority project for funding under the Canada Public Transit Fund and City Council direct the City Manager and the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, to take any necessary steps to work with the Provincial Government to prioritize the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit for funding under the Canada Public Transit Fund, and work with the Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Transit Commission on a complete submission and prioritization of projects for funding through various Canada Public Transit Fund streams.
5. City Council delegate standing authority to the Executive Director, Transit Expansion, or designate, to sign and submit all documentation required to obtain the necessary permits and approvals under all applicable Provincial and Federal laws required to deliver the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit.
6. City Council direct the Executive Director, Transit Expansion, in consultation with relevant City Divisions, the Toronto Transit Commission and Waterfront Toronto, to report back to City Council in first quarter of 2026 with updates on:
  - a. the completion of 60 percent detailed design progress for Segments 2, 3 and Early Works, including on the cost estimate and funding requests, as required;

- b. Phasing and Delivery Plan, including assessing opportunities for early phase transit improvements and for advancing Segment 1 through design and to procurement;
- c. recommended property acquisitions, as required;
- d. project coordination with major interfacing projects, including the Inner Harbour West Tunnel, Gardiner-Lake Shore East Realignment Project, Hydro One Cherry Street Bridge and Cherry Street Signal Tower;
- e. design advancement of the Queens Quay East Extension, relating to project coordination with the Gardiner-Lake Shore East Realignment project;
- f. Traffic Management Plan; and
- g. intergovernmental discussions including the Canada Public Transit Fund.

7. City Council forward the Item to the Toronto Transit Commission board and the Waterfront Toronto board for information.

### **Background Information (Committee)**

(January 24, 2025) Revised report from the Executive Director, Transit Expansion on Advancing the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-252828.pdf>)

Attachment 1 - Decision History

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-252195.pdf>)

Attachment 2 - Waterfront East Light Rail Transit (WELRT) Alignment

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-252196.pdf>)

(January 14, 2025) Report from the Executive Director, Transit Expansion on Advancing the Waterfront East Light Rail Transit

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-252194.pdf>)

### **Communications (Committee)**

(January 27, 2025) Letter from Neil Betteridge, President, Gooderham and Worts Neighborhood Association (EX.Supp)

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/ex/comm/communicationfile-187268.pdf>)

(January 27, 2025) Letter from Tim Kocur, Executive Director, Waterfront Business Improvement Area (EX.Supp)

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/ex/comm/communicationfile-187269.pdf>)

(January 28, 2025) E-mail from David McKibbin (EX.New)

### **Communications (City Council)**

(February 4, 2025) Letter from Andrea Friedman, Castlepoint Numa (CC.New)

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/cc/comm/communicationfile-187546.pdf>)