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New GO RER Stations Update

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Board of Directors
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Recommendations

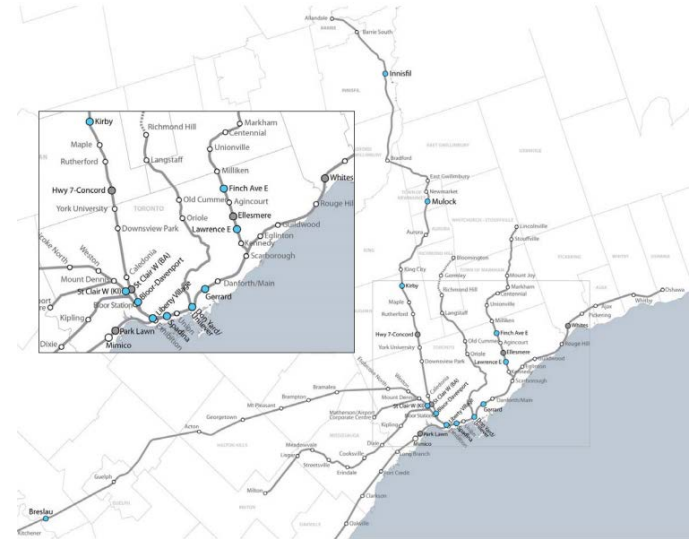
RESOLVED:

THAT the CEO is directed to incorporate the twelve new stations identified in the June 28, 2016 Board presentation from the President and CEO, entitled “GO Regional Express Rail Update”, into the GO RER program and to develop the appropriate agreements with municipalities.

Background

On June 28, 2016 the Board requested that municipal councils **approve a resolution** that commits to the following conditions by the end of November 2016:

1. Agreement with the station locations;
2. Implementation of transit supportive land use regulations around the stations, if such do not already exist;
3. Sustainable, multi-modal station access solutions; and
4. For the City of Toronto, full funding for SmartTrack elements of the program



Municipal Working Groups

- Working groups were convened with local municipalities on all of the new station sites to discuss the proposals in detail, identify any potential issues and coordinate with local planning work
- These working groups identified no fundamental impediments to implementation
- Planning, transportation and transit staff from Innisfil, Newmarket, Toronto, Vaughan and Woolwich worked collaboratively and productively over the course of at least two meetings for each site
- The new stations in Toronto were also part of a separate, bilateral City of Toronto-Province of Ontario cost sharing table that addressed a broader range of issues related to transit planning, delivery and operation



Municipal Council Approvals

All stations received the necessary support from Municipal Council resolutions to satisfy the requirements of the Metrolinx Board by the November 30th deadline

8 Toronto Stations	Breslau	Innisfil	Kirby	Mulock
<u>Toronto City Council</u> November 8 th	<u>Township of Woolwich</u> November 29 th	<u>Town of Innisfil</u> October 19 th	<u>City of Vaughan</u> November 15 th	<u>Town of Newmarket</u> October 24 th
	<u>Region of Waterloo</u> November 9 th		<u>Region of York</u> October 6 th	<u>Region of York</u> October 6 th

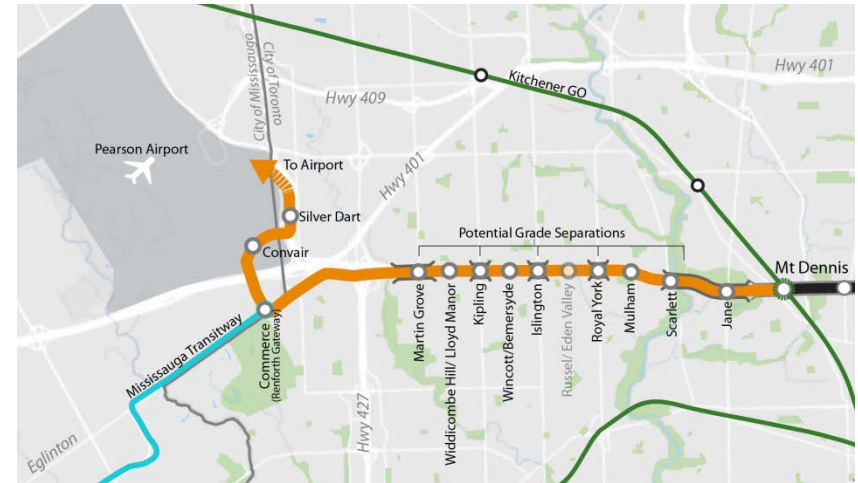
City of Toronto – GO RER/SmartTrack

- Toronto City Council has agreed to go forward with the next phase of the planning and design work and has proposed that it will consider whether to continue to completion at two future key stages of the RER design and procurement process
- The first would be the approval of the draft Environmental Project Reports for each station, which is also the beginning of the formal EA/TPAP process and second, the finalization of the AFP bid documents (RFQ/RFP)
- Should Toronto decide at any point to withdraw, it is responsible for reimbursing Metrolinx for all costs incurred to that date for the design and preparation of the project, to a maximum of \$22 million for the six Smart Track/RER stations and to a maximum of \$51 million for the western extension of the Eglinton Crosstown LRT
- The SmartTrack/RER stations and the Eglinton Crosstown LRT western extension would be delivered and owned by Metrolinx



City of Toronto–SmartTrack/Eglinton W LRT

- The City of Toronto sees the Eglinton Crosstown LRT West as part of the SmartTrack concept and has agreed to take on the responsibility for the capital, operating and maintenance cost, with interest in also seeking funding partnerships with the City of Mississauga and the Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA).
- Metrolinx is working closely with the City of Toronto, TTC, the City of Mississauga and the GTAA to continue to advance the planning of the project by addressing stop locations, grade separations and traffic issues
- Further public consultation and subsequent Metrolinx Board of Directors and Toronto City Council reporting is planned for these work streams in Spring 2017.



Next Steps

- Implementation of the new stations will continue as part of the procurement currently underway for the GO RER program
- Metrolinx staff will continue discussions with municipalities on refining the planning of the stations
- Public consultation for all new stations in collaboration with the municipalities will be part of the next phase (Initial Design and Environmental Project Report) which will start in the first half of 2017





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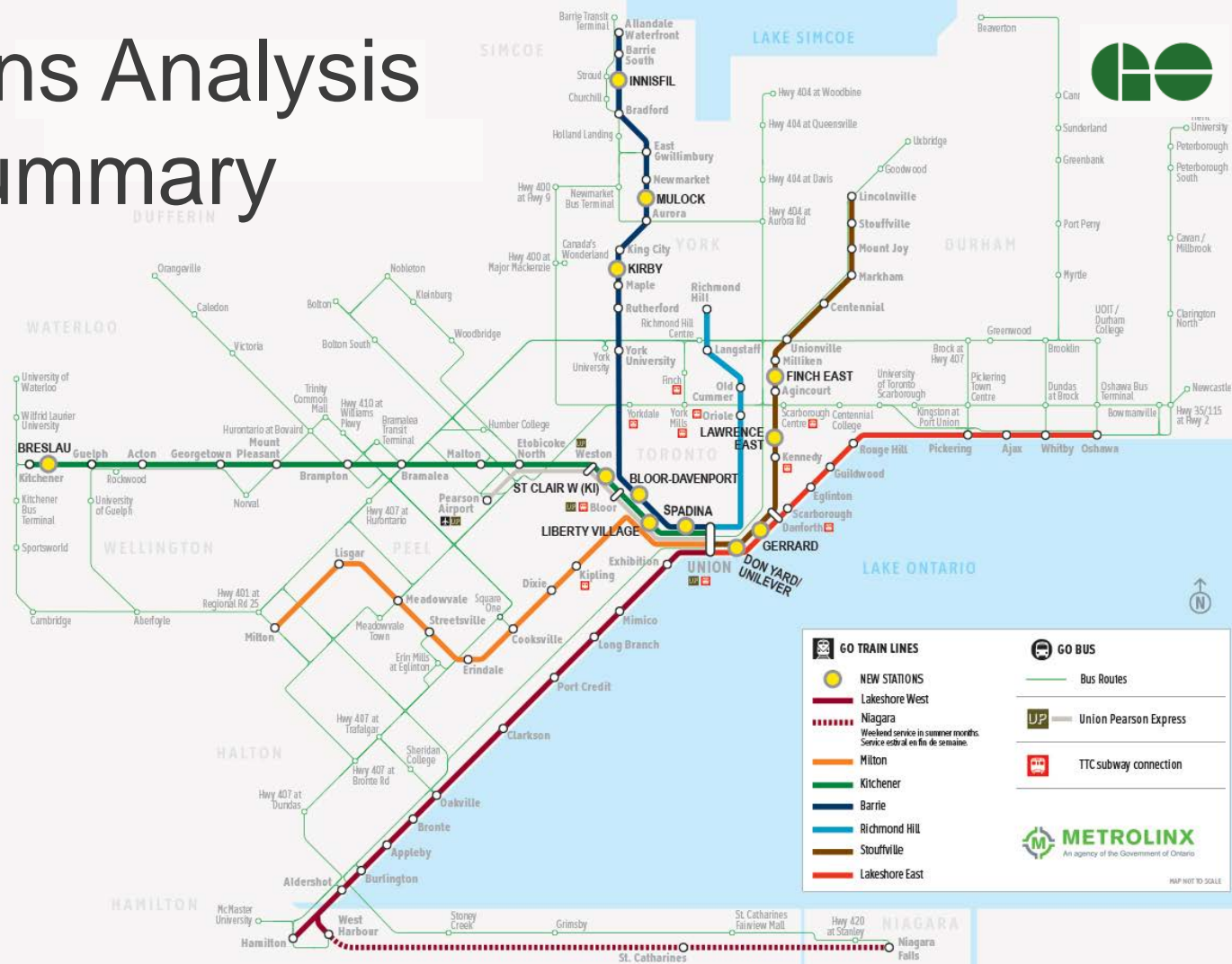
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New Stations Analysis

Process Summary

- Consideration of new stations started with 120+ sites
- Initial Business Case (IBC) analysis utilized to narrow down to 12 recommended locations
- Considered Strategic, Economic, Financial and Operational issues
- On June 28, 2016 the Metrolinx Board approved advancing planning on the 12 new stations



Recommended New Stations

Barrie Corridor

Spadina	<i>Near Front St. West</i>
Bloor-Davenport	<i>Bloor St. West at Lansdowne Ave.</i>
Kirby	<i>Near Keele St.</i>
Mulock	<i>Near Bayview Ave.</i>
Innisfil	<i>Near 6th Line</i>

Kitchener Corridor

SmartTrack

Liberty Village	<i>Near King St. West</i>
St Clair West	<i>Near Weston Rd</i>
Breslau	<i>Near Greenhouse Rd.</i>

Lakeshore East and Stouffville Corridor

SmartTrack

Don Yard/ Unilever	<i>Between Cherry St. and Eastern Ave.</i>
Gerrard	<i>Near Carlaw Ave.</i>

Stouffville Corridor

SmartTrack

Lawrence East	<i>Between Kennedy Rd. and Midland Ave.</i>
Finch East	<i>Between Kennedy Rd. and Midland Ave.</i>