

Metrolinx Lakeshore East Corridor
Community Advisory Committee Meeting #1 Summary
Tuesday, March 27, 2018
Ralph Thornton Community Center
765 Queen Street East, Toronto, ON
6:30p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Approximately 45 people attended the first Lakeshore East Corridor (LSE) Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 (including 8 Metrolinx staff). The purpose of CAC Meeting #1 was to identify, confirm and prioritize issues to be resolved between Metrolinx and community members; review an information handout; and discuss next steps (please see Attachment A for the meeting agenda and Attachment B for a participant list).

Rawle Agard (Metrolinx) welcomed everyone, explained the role of the CAC meeting, and began a round of introductions. Following introductions, CAC members shared their thoughts on the most pressing concerns regarding Metrolinx's work on LSE Corridor and shared their overview sheet of meetings within the last 2 years. The CAC members wanted to include their top concerns and share it with the group on the whiteboard:

1. Update revision of/on noise and vibration standards
2. Increase of service
3. Current status of GO RER
4. Opportunities for input to design process
5. Noise/Vibration real world levels
 - Types of trains, timing
6. Escalation of issues beyond CAC
7. Construction communication
 - Off peak
8. Rebuild after construction

Metrolinx staff listened to concerns and answered questions. This is the first of many CACs, which is part of a process to get feedback, community involvement and to work together with community members to structure future CACs on special topics. Future CACs would dedicate one area of focus and include technical experts in the room to explore options for the community to review and discuss.

Attachments include:

- *Attachment A: Agenda*
- *Attachment B: Participant Contact Information*

Metrolinx wrote this meeting summary, which reflects the main points shared during the meeting and is not intended to be a verbatim transcript. The summary is structured to reflect the main areas of discussion, including:

Key Issues

Issues to discuss, address, and seek and respond to CAC feedback on at future CAC meetings, including:

- A. Noise and Vibration
 - Service increase and operations
 - Construction
 - Impacted areas
 - Mitigation options
- B. Delivery Packages
 - Scope and Timing
- C. Metrolinx Communications
 - Service and construction notices
 - CAC awareness
- D. Public Realm and Design
- E. Process suggestions for the CAC

Questions/Concerns from the Community

1. Community (C): Would like to have the email of concerns as part of the priority list.
Metrolinx (Mx): Moving forward, this can be done.
2. C: Would like to see a plan to address issues raised prior to an RFP release.
Mx: Can follow up on contract mitigation language for the community to take a look at and provide some feedback.
3. C: Looking for assessments and models based on real world technologies and trains.
Mx: To be confirmed.
4. C: Submission went to the Board middle of this year, and feel that 90% of the issues (noise mitigation, vibration, etc.) have already been raised at that time.
Mx: Goal of these meeting is to prioritize the issues and have monthly meetings bringing in special experts to focus on one issue at a time. Some of the issues have longer timelines, and some are more urgent. Each issue should have a dedicated meeting in order to have enough time to discuss it.
5. C: Will there be expropriations, a couple of schools including Blake Street Junior Public School back onto the tracks.
Mx: To be confirmed.
6. C: At least two weeks' notice for construction work.
Mx: This notice is something that would be built into the contract. If the contractor does not abide, then they will have to stop work and there are financial penalties to the contractor for delays.

7. C: Is there a mechanism to ensure that contractors avoid working in the middle of the night or 24/7 without proper notice? We have seen this at Union Station.
Mx: Union Station is unusual compared to other corridors. The work is related to emergency work - such as maintenance - to ensure safety of the corridor, safety for workers as well as safety for residents. Similarly, when we hear sirens from firetrucks due to emergency situations, it is for the safety of the community. The Lakeshore East corridor does not foresee emergency contract work and the contractor will need to follow the contract process for sufficient notice.
8. C: Who can we contact if there is unexpected overnight work or issues?
Mx: Looking to establish a 24-hour hotline with a live respondent to receive calls for concerns.
9. C: What will happen to my home with vibration?
Mx: As part of the contract, a pre-condition survey is completed to see if there are any changes as a result of the work to protect property owners for claims. Pre-condition surveys are optional for owners to consider.
10. C: Would like Metrolinx to advise where the access and laydown areas are located and would like to see proposals on other recommendations. Concerned about seeing the exact areas, kilometre by kilometre, that will be impacted.
Mx: To be confirmed.
11. C: Improving the Metrolinx communications to the community to provide information on what's happening. This has been an issue noted at the town halls, and have not received invitation(s) to participate in future town halls.
Mx: To be confirmed.
12. C: Will the parking at the No Frills be removed at the Gerrard/East Harbour? If the parking is removed there will be increased congestion.
Mx: To be confirmed. If this CAC would like representation from City of Toronto or the TTC to speak to the traffic in these areas, we can do so.
13. C: We did not have sufficient time to provide feedback into the RFQ.
Mx: The RFQ being released this week is different from the RFP that will be released later, which we have more time. An RFQ is Request For Qualifications and is a step to determine if contractors have the capacity and skills to deliver on our scale of projects. The RFP is the Request For Proposals - where we ask proponents to bid on our projects by providing a plan detailing things like how they will design and build the project as well as include timelines and costs. The RFP is where we can take a look at mitigation language for community feedback.
14. C: Will the community have a say on the design of the station?
Mx: Yes, will connect with the community to look at what can be reflected from the neighborhood.
15. C: MPP Tabuns raised he has not received a response to his 11-page letter. Need to know what's happening kilometer by kilometer for noise and vibration.

Mx: To be confirmed. Metrolinx has looked at retaining walls for part of package 1, getting options back to the community for feedback late summer.

16. C: Have not seen an update on the noise and mitigation standards.

Mx: To clarify, the noise and mitigation standards are regulations that cannot be changed such as the speed limit. Metrolinx is committed to look at gaps in the standards and will explore options for the community as part of being a good neighbor. We have mapped areas that were not identified in the EA to review further.

17. C: Will there be budget for what things will look like?

Mx: Will look at and provide renderings as part of the design process.

18. C: If the increase of service is continuing without mitigation until the end of construction, then we will be suffering for years.

Mx: Can look at another workshop to address impacts from service - workshop with representation from rail service planning.

19. C: Concerned there are areas along the corridor without any CAC representation.

Mx: Contact Jody to provide him with the community areas you would like to see segmented. Whether it continues to be one CAC or several different CACs - the process will be the same for each CAC.

20. C: Is electrification construction network wide?

Mx: Some tracks such as Milton, Richmond Hill, extensions to Bomanville and Niagara are not owned by Metrolinx and will continue to be diesel.

21. C: Will the procurements be completed by segments or network wide? Some corridors are at different comfort levels.

Mx: Delivery Package 1: West corridor expansion package will include multiple projects. Delivery Package 3 is corridor wide.

22. C: Would like to provide a list of topics to map out over the next 6 months.

Mx: Can prioritize the topics and there is opportunity to take decisions from you - as the community leaders of the CACs - and update the broader community at Public Information Centres.

23. C: Concerned with items missing from the agenda and would like to jointly create agenda.

Mx: Yes, we can create the agenda together.

24. C: Would like a lookout provided to cover the next several months leading up to the construction date in Package 1 to ensure we are informed well in advance of activities.

Mx: To be confirmed.

25. C: Have asked about a document on areas not owned by Metrolinx and was told it doesn't exist.

Mx: Can provide a document on mitigations for increased service and segments of track that are not owned by Metrolinx.

26. C: Unclear on what is happening with the other side of Jimmy Simpson Park.

Mx: We can take a look at other side of Jimmy Simpson between Dundas St. and Queen St. as part of the public realm discussion.

Comments/Observations:

1. Some of the trains seem to have low ridership.
2. There is a document called Terms of Reference for those interested in participating in CACs.

Topic for next CAC meeting:

- Noise and vibration is the top concern.
 - Bring in the experts, assessments, maps, and look at some options.
 - Contract language for mitigation that will be included in the RFP release.

Process suggestions for the CAC:

- Issues will be prioritized and upcoming CAC meetings will each be dedicated to one issue to ensure there is enough time in the meeting to discuss and address the topic.
- Schedule next CAC meeting as soon as possible without exceeding 30 days.
- Agenda for CAC meetings to be finalized jointly by Metrolinx and CAC members.
- CAC members to determine if segmented areas along Lakeshore East corridor are needed and confirmation of members belonging to each area.
- Those interested in becoming a CAC member can contact Jody Robinson, Metrolinx Community Relations & Issues Specialist at jody.robinson@metrolinx.com or (416) 202-7210.
- Provide a schedule of CAC meetings/seminars to all members, including details about what will be covered and when/where they will take place.

ATTACHMENT A: AGENDA

Lakeshore East Corridor Community Advisory Committee Meeting #1

Ralph Thornton Community Center Multipurpose Room - 3rd Floor

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6:30 - 8:30 pm

AGENDA

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| 6:30 pm | Welcome & Introductions |
| 6:40 | Role of the CAC & Agenda Review |
| 6:50 | Identify/confirm problems to be resolved |
| 7:30 | Handout Review |
| 8:15 | Next Steps |
| 8:30 pm | Adjourn |

ATTACHMENT B: PARTICIPANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Community Advisory Committee Members:

Chris Stanhope
David Barr
David Bosworth (absent)
Don Booth
Jennifer Jobbins
Jennifer Lay - Riverside BIA
Janice La Chapelle - Tiverton Avenue
Lynne Patterson
Rick Longford
Tim Franklin
Yanina Espinoza
Leslie Sklar
Yale Ashraff
John Brock
Valerie Laurie
Wayne MacCleoud
Darcie Hogan

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Communications & Stakeholder Relations

Kelly Hagan, Director, Communications & Stakeholder Relations

Rawle Agard, Manager, Communications & Stakeholder Relations

Jody Robinson, Community Relations & Issues Specialist

Teresa Ko, Communications Specialist (minutes)

Stakeholders

MPP Peter Tabuns

Rob Kaufmann - MPP Peter Tabuns office

Steven Crombie - MPP Arthur Potts office

Maximilien Longuet - Councillor McMahon's office

Marietta Fox - MP Nathaniel Erskine-Smith's office