

# TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION REPORT NO.

**MEETING DATE:** April 27, 2009

**SUBJECT:** ACQUISITION OF TRANSIT CITY PROPERTY

## **ACTION ITEM**

## **REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:**

This report is about a proposed or pending land acquisition by the Commission.

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that:

- 1) the Commission approve the recommendations, as set out in Confidential Attachment 1; and
- 2) the Commission authorize the public release of the confidential information recommendations in Confidential Attachment 1, upon the TTC acquiring the specific lands identified in Confidential Attachment 1.

## **FUNDING**

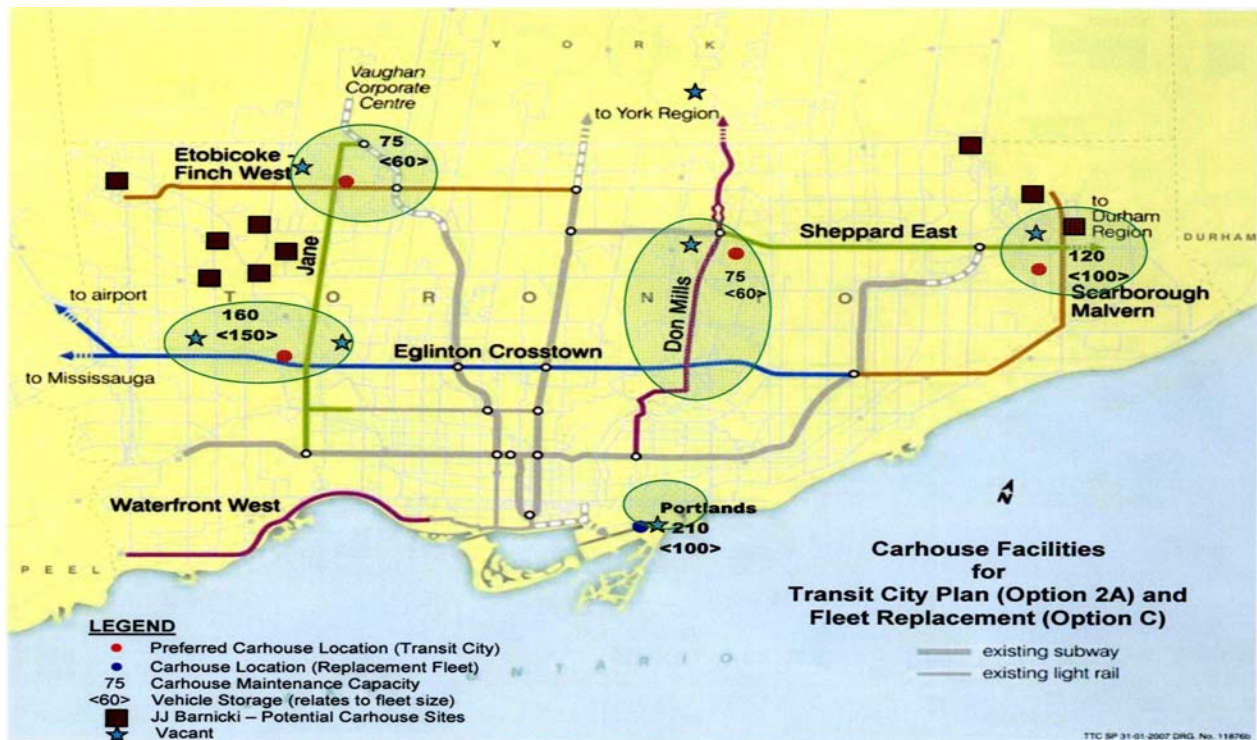
Funding in the total amount of \$29.9 million to cover the first quarter of 2009 was approved by City Council on December 10, 2008 for Transit City projects included in TTC's approved 2009-2013 Capital Program budget, as outlined on pages 1483-1582, however, this was subject to the provision of provincial funding.

On April 1, 2009, the Provincial Government of Ontario announced the funding of approximately \$9 billion to move forward on major public transit projects in the GTA, subject to environmental and other approvals. This announcement included full provincial funding for light rail lines on Eglinton Crosstown and Finch West; however, while discussions are continuing on the Sheppard East LRT line, no funding has yet been committed for that line. The LRT project submissions to the Province included the LRT lines, as well as the Maintenance and Storage Facilities and LRT cars for each line. The provincial funds are subject to the establishment of appropriate agreements and no funds have yet been released.

## BACKGROUND

The Transit City Maintenance & Repair Master Plan study identified the type, size and location of new maintenance facilities to best serve the new network of seven Light Rapid Transit (LRT) lines. Following review of efficiency and cost criteria, and including the phasing of construction to permit operation of individual lines without complete interconnection, the study recommended for four new Maintenance & Storage Facilities strategically located near the intersection of two new lines, as illustrated:

### M & S Facilities Property Locations



## DISCUSSION

Following the confirmation of the Eglinton Crosstown and Finch West LRT lines and the impending confirmation of the Sheppard East LRT, approval to initiate the property acquisition process for three of the four required sites is urgently required in order to meet the project schedule.

**JUSTIFICATION**

Given the commonly encountered long lead time in obtaining possession of suitable transit property and completing the prerequisite approvals, design and construction activities, authority to initiate the property acquisition process for three LRT Maintenance & Storage facilities immediately is prudent.

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Attachment: Confidential Attachment 1