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Joanna Kervin, P.Eng.
Director - Third Party, Planning and Property
Toronto-York Spadina Subway Extension
Toronto Transit Commission
5160 Yonge Street - 11th Floor
Toronto, ON M2N 6L6

Dear Ms. Kervin:

**SUBJECT: TORONTO-YORK SPADINA SUBWAY EXTENSION PROJECT
BLACK CREEK PIONEER VILLAGE STATION
APPROVAL OF ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN REVISIONS**

Thank you for consulting with the City of Vaughan with respect to the proposed architectural design revisions to the approved Steeles West subway station design. City of Vaughan staff has reviewed the proposed changes and provides the following comments:

- The proposed name change results in the aesthetics of the station architecture cornices being negatively impacted due to the scale, and number of projecting letters of the same weathering steel material used for the station cladding (Corten steel).
- It is suggested that either a shorter name be considered for the station (e.g., Pioneer Village or Black Creek) or alternatively that the architect be requested to redesign the roof parapet to include the proposed name (Black Creek Pioneer Village) in a manner which better integrates in scale and material with the station structure. It is desirable for the station name to be clearly legible from the street.

In addition, given the importance of this public transit investment, we would appreciate the opportunity for Vaughan Council to be afforded the opportunity to review any proposed station name change and revisions to the building design prior to final approval. Therefore, the City of Vaughan requests that the Toronto Transit Commission Board consider deferring formal approval of this matter at its meeting of July 24, 2013 or until Vaughan Council has reconvened in September and has had an opportunity to review the proposal. Please update us on the outcome of your meeting tomorrow at your earliest convenience.

We appreciate you keeping us informed on proposed naming and architectural design revisions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John MacKenzie', written over a faint circular stamp.

John MacKenzie, M.Sc (Pl) MCIP, RPP
Commissioner of Planning
City of Vaughan Planning Department

**PRESENTED TO
THE COMMISSION**

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c: Barbara Cribbett, Interim City Manager
Tim Simmonds, Executive Director