

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED with Confidential Attachment

Making College Station Accessible – Property Acquisition

Date:	November 13, 2017
То:	TTC Board
From:	Chief Executive Officer
Reason for Confidential Information:	This report is about a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for municipal or local board purposes.

Summary

As part of the Second Exit Project and Easier Access Phase III Project, the TTC is proposing to construct a new accessible subway station entrance and second exit connection through the College Park building to the subway platforms of College subway station.

The work includes the construction of a second exit and two elevators providing accessibility from the northbound and southbound platforms to the new subway concourse level. The accessible path to street level is provided through existing elevators within the College Park building.

Based on the current project schedule, construction of the College Station Second Exit and Easier Access project is targeted to begin in Q3 2019 with completion by Q3 2022. In order to protect the project timeline, this report and the Confidential Attachment seeks the Board's authority for staff to request the City of Toronto Real Estate Services to acquire the required property interests as outlined in the Confidential Attachment.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Board:

- 1. Approve the recommendations set out in the Confidential Attachment;
- 2. Maintain confidential the information set out in the Confidential Attachment until such time as the agreement(s) are executed with the property owners; and

3. Authorize the execution of any agreements arising as a result of the College Station Second Exit and Easier Access Projects, subject to terms and conditions satisfactory to TTC's General Counsel.

Financial Summary

An estimate of the cost to acquire the property necessary to complete the College Station Second Exit and Easier Access project is provided in the Confidential Attachment.

The total budget for the College Station Second Exit and Easier Access project is \$36.4 million. Funds for this expenditure are included in the TTC's 2017-2026 Capital Budget (approved by City Council on February 15, 2017) under 3.9 Buildings & Structures, Easier Access Phase III project and the Fire Ventilation Upgrades – Second Exit Project budgets.

The Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

Accessibility/Equity Matters

The Easier Access Phase III Project is an important part of the 2014-2018 TTC Accessibility Plan in its objective to fulfil the provincially-legislated requirements in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA). Acquisition of the subject property interests is necessary in order to make College Station accessible.

Decision History

There are no earlier reports on this subject matter.

Issue Background

Through design, development and stakeholder consultation, it was determined that combining the Second Exit Project and Easier Access Phase III Project into a single undertaking near the mid-section of the College Station platforms would provide the best balance between meeting service needs, lowering construction times and costs, and minimizing disruption to the College Street/Carlton Street and Yonge Street intersection.

The accessible route consists of an underground connection from the College Park building to a new station concourse area, complete with stairways and elevator access to the College Station subway platforms. The existing elevators within the College Park building provide the accessible route to street level. The accessible route through the College Park building will be available 24 hours per day and 7 days per week.

Comments

The project property interests necessary for this project are outlined in Attachment 1 - Confidential Attachment.

Staff recommends the Board approve the recommendations set out in this report and the Confidential Attachment.

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Attachments

Attachment 1 – Confidential Attachment SP#03078-31-317