

## **Status Update - Fare Integration**

## TTC Board Decision

The TTC Board, at its meeting on November 22, 2023, adopted the following:

It is recommended that the TTC Board:

- 1. Authorize the CEO to enter into a Fare Integration agreement with Metrolinx (on behalf of the Province of Ontario) subject to the following principles and in a form satisfactory to the TTC General Counsel:
  - a. The TTC will continue to establish fare policy and set fares for TTC services;
  - b. The Province of Ontario through Metrolinx will reimburse 100% of eligible trips to transit systems for their respective foregone farebox revenue;
  - c. The subsidy provided will be based on actual transfer transactions, as opposed to a formula;
  - d. The Province of Ontario will commit funding to March 2026, after which the Fare Integration Removal of Double Fares program will either be extended or, alternatively, the current fare structure will be reinstated; and
  - e. For customers, there will be no adjustments to fares, transfer window duration, or other fare policies to offset program costs.
  - f. The Province and Metrolinx, in consultation with the TTC, will be solely responsible for public communications and related change management activities and costs, in event the Province does not provide ongoing full funding for the program, and that communication will clarify cancellation is not the decision of the TTC or the City of Toronto.
- 2. Direct staff to forward this report to all City Councillors, the General Managers of MiWay, Brampton Transit, York Region Transit, and Durham Region Transit, and Metrolinx for their information.
- 3. Direct TTC staff to work with the Province of Ontario to obtain a commitment for stable, long-term funding for this program post-2026 to fully reimburse the TTC and ensure the continuation of this program.