5. **PRESENTATIONS**

(b) United Way

Paul Damaso, Acting Director of Culture Division will present a cheque to Shelley White, President and Chief Executive Officer of United Way Peel Region.

12. **CORRESPONDENCE**

(a) Information Items: I-5-I-6

14. **MOTIONS**

(g) To support and work with the Government of Canada, the Canadian Manufacturers and other stakeholders in their efforts to urge the United States Congress and state governments to abstain from the use of “Buy American” provisions.

15. **INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS**

B-21 A by-law to transfer funds from the Capital Reserve Fund (Account 33121) to the Condition Assessment for Ten Metal Storm project (PN 15-144) (Wards 1, 2, 3, 7).

GC-0141-2015/March 25, 2015

B-22 A by-law to authorize the execution of the Ice Storm Assistance Program Grant Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen In Right of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

GC-0145-2015/March 25, 2015

18. **CLOSED SESSION**

(iii) Litigation or potential, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board re: **Ontario Municipal Board Decision Respecting the Appeals of the 2009 Development Charge By-laws for Mississauga, Markham and Clarington.**
MIRANET Statement
Re: City of Mississauga Governance Committee
Appointment of Citizen Members

Mississauga - March 27, 2015

On March 23, 2015, a Resolution was passed at Mississauga Council’s Governance Committee to appoint two (2) citizen members. Advertising for the positions is to begin immediately. Staff has been directed to develop further specific qualifications for the appointees.

MIRANET’S POSITION: We do not consider it necessary to appoint citizen members to the Governance Committee to make it "more accessible" or to "provide oversight" as stated. Clearly the process for citizen appointments to a Standing Committee of Council may be fraught with political considerations. But as this process is to proceed, we must agree with the City Manager’s recommendation that citizen members should possess professional expertise in governance and municipal issues. An expanded Governance Committee will be different in composition and intent from other Standing Committees and from citizen-led Advisory Committees of Council, with significant implications for its own governance.

The five Councillors (in the majority) on the Governance Committee are already accountable to Council and ultimately to the voters for their decisions. Presumably they were appointed for their knowledge and interest in governance-related issues and have a range of professional staff resources to draw on.

Statements in the media [ref: Mississauga News (March 25, 2015): Citizens coming to municipality’s Governance Committee] are surprising and suggest there is inadequate public accountability without citizen members. We do not agree that citizen appointees are required to “empower citizens” or to provide “check and balance.” Otherwise, what does this say about all other Standing Committees of Council: Budget Committee, Planning & Development Committee and General Committee? Without being publicly elected themselves, who are these citizen appointees presumed to speak for?

MIRANET advocated for the establishment of a City Governance Committee during the 2010 Municipal Election. A year later (November 2011) several MIRANET reps attended the founding meeting of the Committee where we made the recommendation to enshrine a Public Question Period at every meeting. This was adopted and Governance Committee meetings are thereby open and accessible to all citizens.

On March 23, 2015, MIRANET spoke during PQP at the Governance Committee meeting, requesting that there be a Public Question Period at all standing committees of Council to provide increased accountability and transparency. This issue will now be on the next Governance Committee Agenda.

MIRANET also requested bi-monthly Governance Committee meetings rather than the quarterly meetings proposed by staff. This change was granted and the bi-monthly schedule will also be subject to more frequent meetings if required. Our citizen input was heard.

With or without citizen appointees, MIRANET will continue to publicly advocate on issues before Governance Committee and we encourage all citizens and stakeholder groups to do so.

Mississauga Residents’ Associations Network (MIRANET)
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March 31, 2015

Bruce McCuaig
President and Chief Executive Officer, Metrolinx

VIA E-MAIL: Bruce.McCuaig@metrolinx.com

Dear Mr. McCuaig:

RE: ENG-005-15 Two-Way, All-Day GO Rail Service

Please be advised that Milton Council, at its meeting held on March 30, 2015, considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

THAT ENG-005-15 be received;

AND THAT the Town request Metrolinx to identify the implementation of two-way, all-day GO rail service to Milton as a Next Wave project to be implemented through Regional Express Rail (RER) within ten (10) years, and reprioritized accordingly through The Big Move (2008) legislated update;

AND THAT the Town request Infrastructure Canada to prioritize funding programs and arrangements to Metrolinx for RER initiatives specific to Milton, identifying conditions of financing that support direct infrastructure improvements required to implement two-way, all-day GO rail service;

AND THAT Metrolinx be requested to establish pilot projects within the RER program aimed at improving capacity and rail safety with passenger and freight rail traffic along the Milton line that phases the establishment of two-way, all-day GO rail service within ten (10) years;

AND THAT the Town continue to support GO Transit service connections through the ongoing growth of integrated Milton Transit services, subject to annual budget approvals;

AND THAT the Clerk be authorized to forward ENG-005-15 to Bruce McCuaig, President and Chief Executive Officer, Metrolinx; Hon. Lisa Rait, MP, Halton; Indira Naidoo-Harris, MPP, Halton; Bob Delaney, MPP, Mississauga-Streetsville; Harinder S. Takhar, MPP, Mississauga-Erindale; Hon Dipika Damerla, MPP, Mississauga East-Cooksville; Gary Carr, Regional Chair, Regional Municipality of
Halton; Town of Oakville; Mayor Bonnie Crombie, City of Mississauga; and Mayor Doug Craig, City of Cambridge; Kathryn McGarry, MPP, Cambridge; Hon. Gary Goodyear, MP, Cambridge-North Dumfries; and Ken Seiling, Regional Chair, Regional Municipality of Waterloo. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*This recommendation varies from the recommendation contained in Staff Report ENG-005-15.

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this report for your information and consideration.

Yours very truly

Troy McHarg
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The Corporation of the TOWN OF MILTON

Report To: Council
From: M. Paul Cripps, P. Eng., Director, Engineering Services
Date: March 30, 2015
Report No: ENG-005-15
Subject: Two-Way, All-Day GO Rail Service
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides an overview of two-way, all-day GO rail service to Milton initiative, including a proposal to prioritize future funding commitments within the Metrolinx coordinated Regional Express Rail (RER) program.

REPORT

Background

The Milton GO Transit line is one of seven (7) commuter rail lines operated by GO Transit, a division of Metrolinx, the provincial regional transportation agency responsible for coordinating public transit in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA). GO Transit has been operating a daily commuter service during the morning and evening peak periods between Milton and Union Station since the mid-1980s. The corridor is predominately owned by Canadian Pacific (CP) and represents one of CP's primary freight lines. GO Transit does not own the corridor and must negotiate with CP on usage, capacity and scheduling requirements. GO Transit has recently added one (1) morning and afternoon peak GO Train trip on the Milton line, effective January 2015. Currently, there are nine (9) morning and afternoon GO Train trips to/from Milton to/from Union Station.

Since the initial development of The Big Move (2008) – the transportation plan for improving regional transit and transportation in the GTHA, there has been ongoing demand to increase GO Transit rail service to Milton as well as further extensions to Cambridge. Two-way, all-day service to Milton has remained significant to support and encourage Town and Halton Region growth initiatives and support further extensions to Cambridge / Waterloo Region in the future. However, it has been identified that such service would necessitate significant track infrastructure and subsequent investment to be used exclusively for GO Transit rail service.

In 2014, Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne announced a Provincial commitment to establish more two-way, all-day GO Transit rail service throughout the GTHA. The Provincial Budget also included funding over the next ten (10) years to support Regional Express Rail (RER) and the electrification of existing Metrolinx-owned rail corridors. According to Metrolinx, the timing and staging of next wave projects under RER will be based on objective, evidence-based criteria to deliver the most benefits to the GTHA. It
is important to note, however, that next wave projects under The Big Move (2008) have already been identified and updated in 2014, which included a subsequent delay in the implementation of two-way, all-day GO Transit rail service to Milton from the initial 15 year to a 16-25 year planning horizon (ENG-001-13). It is currently unclear how RER initiatives will be identified in the next Big Move update, which is legislatively required to be undertaken by 2016.

**Federal Funding Arrangements**

Public transit has been an eligible category of investment under various Federal infrastructure programs. Currently, Infrastructure Canada has four (4) active funding contribution agreements with Metrolinx, including:

- GO Transit Rail Improvement Program (GO TRIP)
- GO Transit Improvement Program (GO TIP)
- Mississauga Transitway Project
- PRESTO Fare Card Project

The Milton corridor has seen improvements via GO TRIP and GO TIP arrangements through the design / construction of a new train layover facility, the lengthening of station platforms to accommodate accessibility and 12-car GO Trains, the Streetsville bus maintenance / storage facility and a new Erindale parking garage.

**Discussion**

Staff and Council have repeatedly demonstrated the importance of two-way, all-day GO Transit rail service. Supporting this recommendation, the Town and Region of Halton have committed to several planning, infrastructure and transit programs including, but not limited to:

- Milton Education Village (MEV) Secondary Plan – encompassing a university campus, with a projected student population build-out of 10,000 – 15,000, and associated employment, institutional, retail and residential functions;

- Velodrome for the 2015 Pan / Parapan American Games – development of games and legacy programming for spectators, visitors and legacy users;

- At grade crossing infrastructure improvements and/or financial commitments at Trafalgar Road, 5th Line, James Snow Parkway, Main Street;

- Milton Intensification strategy implementation, in support of Places to Grow Provincial policies and potential mobility hub development within Downtown Milton;
• Expansion of Milton Transit services to enhance connections with GO Transit, Dynamic Transit Pilot Project (ENG-004-15).

Additionally, competitive economic market conditions in Milton have attracted several large employers and product distribution facilities. The development of employment lands along the Highway 401 corridor and future development of the Derry Green Business Park provide further catchment opportunities for employees throughout the GTHA, requiring two-way, all-day rail service for an expanded labour force.

Metrolinx staff have maintained that there are significant obstacles in the enhancement of the Milton line, including the lack of corridor ownership control and the subsequent complexity of negotiating operational and associated infrastructure upgrades with CP. While recent GO improvements have resulted in additional peak GO Train trips and capacity, further investment into mid-day rail service has not been achieved. As such, two-way, all-day GO Train service to Milton has been deferred from a 15 year to a 16-25 year planning horizon in The Big Move (2008). It is anticipated that Metrolinx will be conducting a legislated review and update to The Big Move in 2015. Staff will continue to highlight two-way, all-day GO rail service to Milton in any subsequent public engagement / participation process for the purpose of moving the timing of two-way, all-day service on the Milton line back into the original 15 year planning horizon.

Regional Express Rail (RER)

RER is part of the Ontario Budget commitment of $29 billion over ten (10) years to support transportation infrastructure across Ontario, including $15 billion dedicated to transit funding in the GTHA. The focus of RER is to continue expansion towards two-way, all-day GO Transit rail service and the electrification of GO rail services on Metrolinx-owned corridors. The Province will work with Metrolinx and associated municipalities on the prioritization of next wave projects, through the use of business case analysis. It is anticipated that productive engagement with municipalities including stakeholders, communities and neighbourhoods will be key to the success of RER implementation.

RER and Milton

Given that RER initiatives will include construction and service expansion impacts on communities, Town staff will be proactively involved in a consultation role. The objective will be to continue to demonstrate and accelerate the need for expanding GO rail service along the Milton corridor. The Milton rail corridor represents the third most heavily used corridor on the GO rail system, behind the Lakeshore East and Lakeshore West lines according to the 2011/2012 GO Rail Passenger Survey. In particular, the Milton GO Station attracts 14% of total boardings along the Milton line.
Milton Transit has continued to coordinate services to the GO Transit market through the use of bus peak period scheduling customization and GO shuttling. While the GO Transit market currently represents approximately one third of all Milton Transit system revenue trips, GO passengers remain attractive for growth potential. Demand for additional local service during peak periods has risen relative to more available GO Transit service in Milton. Efforts to maximize service integration with GO Transit have been illustrated through the approval of the Dynamic Transit Pilot Project (ENG-004-15). Through RER, staff propose the continued development and optimization of Milton Transit services in support of two-way, all-day GO rail service.

**Funding Considerations**

Given that Metrolinx intends on applying for supplementary funding for RER available through the Building Canada Plan, it is recommended that Federal financing be prioritized to support direct infrastructure projects related to implementing two-way, all-day GO rail service to Milton. Specifically, pilot projects associated with infrastructure improvements along the Milton line that will result in increased line capacity and rail safety with freight traffic, which in the long term support two-way, all-day service along the Milton line and further expansions to the west.

**Relationship to the Strategic Plan**

A responsible, cost effective and accountable local government
Demonstrate leadership on matters that affect Milton

Well Managed Growth, Well Planned Spaces
Encourage the enhancement of GO service to Milton

**Financial Impact**

There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

Respectfully submitted,
M. Paul Cripps, P. Eng.
Director, Engineering Services

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Attachments

None
RESOLUTION: “Buy American” Provisions in the American Recovery Reinvestment Act

WHEREAS the City of Mississauga Council previously passed Resolution 0126-2009 in support of Free Trade between the United States and Canada; and the provisions in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act that includes the “Buy American” provisions are contrary to that of free trade;

AND WHEREAS Halton Region requested the City of Mississauga’s support by expressing its concern for the issue that “Buy American” provisions in the U.S. legislation are contrary to that spirit of free trade;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Mississauga, as part of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities reiterates Resolution 0126-2009 to continue to support and work with the Government of Canada, the Canadian Manufacturers and other stakeholders in their efforts to urge the United States Congress and state governments to abstain from the use of “Buy American” provisions;

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario, federal and provincial Ministers of Trade and Industry, all the local MPs, MPPs, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Mississauga Board of Trade.
WHEREAS to address the impact of the global economic slowdown, governments throughout the world have introduced various stimulus packages to encourage economic growth;

AND WHEREAS the United States is Canada’s largest trading partner and signatory of the Free Trade Agreement;

AND WHEREAS the City of Mississauga is supportive of Free Trade between Canada and the United States;

AND WHEREAS the Government of the United States of America has introduced infrastructure stimulus packages including the America Recovery and Reinvestment Act which includes “Buy American” provisions for steel and other manufactured products;

AND WHEREAS these restrictive provisions which are contrary to the spirit of free trade will prevent Canadian companies from bidding on contracts which contain the “Buy American” provisions at the municipal and state levels;

AND WHEREAS Canadian stimulus infrastructure programs do not contain any restrictions on manufacturers from other countries including the United States bidding on such contracts in Canada;

AND WHEREAS millions of US jobs rely on contracts with Canadian corporations and governments;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Mississauga is supportive of Free Trade between the United States and Canada and that the restrictive ‘Buy American’ provisions in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act are contrary to that of free trade;

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AND FURTHER that the City of Mississauga urges the Canadian Government to press its U.S. counterparts to remove any and all restrictions on Canadian goods and services at the federal, state and local level;

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario, the Federal and Provincial Ministers of Trade and Industry, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, all the local MPs and MPPs, the Canadian Autoworkers Union, the Mississauga Board of Trade, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Carried
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Please be advised that at its meeting held Wednesday, November 19, 2014, the Council of the Regional Municipality of Halton adopted the following resolution:


WHEREAS cities and communities across Canada support free and fair trade between Canada and the United States;

AND WHEREAS bilateral trade between Canada and the United States amounts to over $600 billion per year in economic activity, significantly contributing to Canada’s long-term economic competitiveness;

AND WHEREAS many of the most important supply chains and industry linkages that fuel our respective economies are inexorably linked;

AND WHEREAS provisions, such as ‘Buy American’ requirements, which serve to inhibit this important economic partnership directly affects the economic prosperity of our country, our businesses and our communities;

AND WHEREAS Halton Hills and Halton Region showed leadership in 2009 by passing resolutions calling on the Federal, Provincial and municipal governments of Canada to push back against unfair U.S. legislation;

AND WHEREAS organizations like Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters estimate that thousands of manufacturing jobs are continuously at risk from continued Buy American provisions being proposed across the United States;

AND WHEREAS Halton companies were directly impacted as jobs were lost due to the Buy American provisions being inserted into projects receiving federal and municipal funding;

The Regional Municipality of Halton
AND WHEREAS Canadian cities and communities are committed to open and fair trade with American governments and businesses;

AND WHEREAS recent agreements between Canada and the United States have recognized the critical economic linkages between our two countries, fostering secure, predictable trade and investment environments;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all municipalities be requested to express support for free, fair and reciprocal trade between the United States and Canada and support the principle that any restrictive 'Buy American' provisions in U.S. legislation are contrary to that spirit of free trade;

AND THAT the Region of Halton call on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) to support and work with the Government of Canada, the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters and other stakeholders in their efforts to urge the United States Congress and state governments to abstain from the use of 'Buy American' provisions;

AND THAT FCM be requested to write to the U.S. National League of Cities and the United States Conference of Mayors urging them to also support the spirit of this resolution and the spirit of free trade, so that businesses and industries on both sides of the border can compete for contracts in the fairest and most efficient manner;

AND THAT the Regional Chair write to the Prime Minister, the leader of the Opposition and the leader of the Liberal Party advising them of Regional Council's position and enclosing a copy of Regional Council's resolution in this regard;

AND THAT the Regional Clerk forward a copy of Regional Council's resolution to all Ontario municipalities requesting that they endorse and support Halton's position and to Halton MP's, MPP's, FCM and the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters for their information.

As per the above resolution, please accept this correspondence for your information and consideration.

If you have any questions please contact Ms. Karyn Bennett, Regional Clerk & Director of Council Services.

Sincerely,

Kathy Kielt
Deputy Clerk and Supervisor of Council & Committee Services

Karyn Bennett, Regional Clerk & Director of Council Services