



Consultative Committee

Minutes

Date: September 28, 2016

Location: GTAA Office, Pearson A & B

Chair: Aaron GlynWilliams, Manager, Government Affairs & Stakeholder Relations

Attendees: Anton Norbert, City of Brampton Resident
Heather Craig-Peddie, ACTA Ontario
Savik Ramkay, Seneca College
Gurpreet Dhillon, City of Brampton
John Davidson, The Regional Municipality of Halton
Steven Tufts, Brampton Mississauga & District Labour Council
Carolyn Parrish, Councillor, City of Mississauga
Jan Nevins, Mississauga Board of Trade
Badar R. Shamim, Brampton Board of Trade
Stephen Rose, City of Mississauga Resident
Sabbir Saiyed, Region of Peel
Kathy Weiss, Region of Durham
Stephen Holyday, Councillor, City of Toronto

Regrets: Shane Rayman, City of Toronto resident
Vincent Crisanti, Councillor, City of Toronto
Lina Bigioni, Region of York

Resource Members: Harold, City of Mississauga
Paul Steckman, Ministry of Transportation
Matthew Chu, Ministry of Tourism
Bonnie Brown, City of Mississauga
Jeff Baines, City of Brampton

Also in Attendance Ingrid Pringle, Paul Ritchi GTAA
Jessica Buckley, Woodbine Entertainment

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| 1.0 | <i>PRELIMINARY ITEMS</i> |
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| 1.1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome and roll call conducted by Aaron GlynWilliams. |
| 1.2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review and Approval of June 15, 2016 and September 28, 2016 agendas.• June 15, 2016 agenda – approved Badar Shamim, seconded Jan Nevins• September 28, 2016 agenda – approved Badar Shamin, seconded Stephen Holyday |

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- 1.3**
- Review and Approval of March 23, 2016 and June 15' 2016 minutes.
 - March 23, 2016 minutes - approved Jan Nevins, seconded Badar Shamim
 - June 15, 2016 minutes – approved Savik Ramkay, seconded Jan Nevins.

1.4 Matters Arising from Previous Meeting – June 15, 2016.

- No matters arising from previous minutes.

2.0 REGULAR ITEMS

2.1 GTAA Information Update (handout).

- GTAA Information Update was made available at the meeting.

3.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

3.1 Southern Ontario Regional Airports Initiative - Update

- P. Ritchie provided an update of the Southern Ontario Regional Airports Initiative.
- Toronto Pearson has been working for 18 months with 10 regional airports and other key stakeholders about how to handle the upcoming growth that the Southern Ontario region will experience.
- Ontario GDP will double over the next 30 years and the majority of the growth will be concentrated in the GTA and Golden Horseshoe area. Population growth will also be concentrated in the GTA and Golden Horseshoe area.
- Regional growth over the next 30 years will have an impact on air traffic. .
- This growth will also affect traffic congestion. There will be 25%-35% increase in driving time to Toronto Pearson.
- South Central Ontario has existing airport infrastructure that it can rely on to support that growth.
- The full presentation can be found [here](#).
- S. Holyday asked if there is a plan to talk to the different agencies that would be involved. How do we work together?
 - P. Ritchie stated that it is a complex initiative that is evolving. Recently held a workshop in Peterborough to discuss how we can work together. There will be future workshops held where stakeholders will be invited.
 - A. GlynWilliams added that the big challenge is in connectivity and ground transportation.
- K. Weiss stated that airlines are also a key factor in this initiative. Are airlines being consulted?
 - P. Ritchie stated that yes airlines are being contacted. Explaining to them the importance of having them meet the needs of other local airports.
- S. Ramkay stated that it would be interesting to hear what Transport Canada's ideas are or their thoughts on Pickering Airport.
 - P. Ritchie replied that Transport Canada has enlisted KPMG to do a two year study to determine if there is a business case for an airport in Pickering and when.
- S. Rose asked if high speed rail on the Quebec/Windsor corridor is off the table.
 - A. GlynWilliams stated that it is the province that is leading the high speed

rail and the province has appointed David Collenette to prepare report. The report should be ready by late fall.

- S. Rose questioned the scale of governance that is needed to make this work. Politically, can the GTAA's jurisdictions be extended over these regional airports? What are the benefits to having Buffalo Airport come to the table in this discussion?
 - P. Ritchi replied that we are in the stages now that we are working together in order for mutual benefit. Buffalo has been attractive to travelers when our dollar was higher. Traffic through Buffalo is decreasing.
 - S. Holyday asked what segment of growth is being targeted and what does this mean on the economic development prospects around the airport?
 - P. Ritchi stated that the most profitable in international flights. Small aircraft play a role by connecting passengers from a broad area to Toronto Pearson.
 - A. GlynWilliams added that Toronto Pearson is also trying to strengthen the Economic are around the airport.
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3.2 Woodbine Entertainment – Revitalization & Expansion Plans

- J. Buckley provided an overview of revitalization and expansion plans that are happening at Woodbine Entertainment.
 - City Council has approved expanded gaming at Woodbine. OLG is in process of selecting gaming partner. Announcement expected next summer or early fall.
 - City Council would like to see Woodbine lands developed. Woodbine sits on 680 acres.
 - Working with a master plan company from California to develop a master plan.
 - 33 acres are set aside for the OLG casino. Woodbine has a ground lease for these 33 acres with the OLG
 - Area to the north of the grandstand will be developed to include mixed use including retail, restaurants, low rise office space etc. This area will be adjacent to the casino.
 - First project to break ground will be a 5000 seat entertainment venue. Currently have an MOU with Trinity Development.
 - Due to being adjacent to Toronto Pearson, Woodbine is restricted from building within two NEF lines. Cannot build schools, homes etc. due to high restrictions.
 - Also envision building recreation facilities, sports fields and large athletic facilities as well as office campuses and school campuses. Woodbine has been speaking with Humber College and University of Guelph.
 - Also looking to condensing backstretch area and building new barns.
 - S. Rose inquired if there is a restriction on how high the buildings can be built.
 - J. Buckley stated that they have a restriction of fewer than 10 stories but not planning to going over three stories.
 - S. Holyday asked if there will be a connection to the Woodbine Centre, and concerning the sports facilities, is there interface with the City of Toronto.
 - J. Buckley replied that they have met with the Woodbine Centre to share information with them on their master plan. There is a vision of the sports facilities to be public facilities.
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- S. Tufts inquired as to Woodbine Entertainment Group's current position on the Community Benefits Agreement. Will they adhere to the old agreement or engage in the process of negotiating a new agreement?
 - J. Buckley replied that the chosen gaming partner will be working with the Woodbine Entertainment Group to familiarize themselves with the local community and the longstanding relationship with the Community Partners.
- S. Tufts wondered if there is room for the community groups to have a say in choosing the gaming partner.
 - J. Buckley advised that Woodbine Entertainment is not involved in the selection of the gaming partner.
- S. Ramkay asked what the time line for this expansion is.
 - J. Buckley stated that the master plan is from 2015 to 50 years out.
- S. Holyday asked about the plans for parking.
 - J. Buckley stated that the master plan includes plans for road system and parking garage. There is a potential to build an underground parking facility. Also hope to connect to transit from Humber College to Woodbine Shopping Centre, Hwy 27 and UP Express.
- K. Weiss questioned how soon development will start.
 - J. Buckley replied that once casino portion is announced it must go through city planning. Woodbine has the master plan ready to present to city council as well.
- S. Tufts questioned if there are any plans to talk to Ajax Downs or casino in Port Perry.
 - J. Buckley stated that whoever is chosen as gaming partner for Woodbine would be the gaming partner for the east casinos.
- S. Holyday questioned if there is any connectivity to the airport?
 - J. Buckley replied that there is potential for bus system but ideally a train stop on the UP Express line to bring them to Woodbine from Toronto Pearson.

3.3 Durham Region – Economic Development Update

- K. Weiss provided an Economic Development Update on Durham Region.
- Durham Region is looking to attract new investment and jobs. Final draft is due October 11, 2016.
- Five year plan focused on supporting Economic Development in Durham Region.
- Full presentation can be found [here](#).

4.0 MEMBERS UPDATE

- Committee members reported on each of their areas.
 - A. Norbert asked if there is an update on the wheelchair situation.
 - A. GlynWilliams stated that he will follow up by email to the committee on the wheelchair situation.
 - S. Tufts commented that the Workers Council has been following closely for a number of years. The number of lawsuits since 2008 is a small percentage based on the number of pushes per year. Issues are that turnover is high
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and training has to be done due to low wage jobs.

- H. Craig Peddie stated that the Ontario Government has opened the Ontario Travel Act for full review. This may affect some of the regions of committee members. Phase 1 of consultations is underway. Change may be implemented by early 2017. The Canadian Council of Insurance regulators are out with a report where submissions are due on Friday. ACTA will be responding to this report as well. There is a perception of lack of confidence with travel insurance.
- J. Nivens reported on GE Canada's grand opening of their "Brilliant Factory" in Welland on September 1, 2016. This was a collaborative partnership with Mississauga and Welland. Minister Navdeep Bains will be the keynote on October 7, 2016 at a Mississauga Board of Trade event to speak to Canada's Innovation Strategy. There is a big push on with the Ontario Chamber of Commerce and the Ontario Chamber Network to host an event for small businesses. The Institute of Corporate Directors is embarking on a joint venture with the University of Toronto, Clarkson Centre, which is a massive survey across Canada with the private sector in the next couple of weeks.
- A. GlynWilliams reported that there are a number of events coming up that will be focused on transportation and urban growth. CityAge will be held on October 6 & 7, 2016. The Neptis Foundation will be presenting at the CityAge conference on the urban growth happening in the Golden Horseshoe are including the Airport Employment Zone. Toronto Pearson is also updating their Economic Impact Study. This will also be released at the CityAge conference. The Transportation Summit will be held on October 19, 2016.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT: The next Consultative Committee meeting is to be rescheduled due to conflict with the Transportation Summit.

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