

GIC Committee Councillor;

Thanks for allowing me to speak on LRT B-Line proposal.

I would like to address the proposal of LRT B-LINE from the original plan voted by council 2014 to Wynne's government for 100% funding for LRT B-Line from Eastgate Square / Mc Master. Presently B-Line transit hub is at University Plaza Dundas.

In WYNNE'S announcement May 26, 2015 full funding of \$1B for LRT from Queenston traffic circuit /Mc Master and suggestion of a A-Line (LRT) spur link to James St. Go Station / waterfront if monies available within the \$1B budget.

Most people were surprised at this change from city council approval for Eastgate Square/McMaster LRT.

- 1) Was council aware of this change?
- 2) Did council vote on this new proposal?
- 3) If so why wasn't announcement made to GIC meeting?

Is Wynne government dictate to Hamilton Transportation Master Plan?

I was informed by Metrolinx that this was a political decision by the Wynne's government and to lobby transport Minister. Metrolinx said that they don't force LRT on areas that doesn't approve LRT (Ward 5)?

Question to Metrolinx why change Eastgate Square transit hub and a build a new transit hub at Queenston traffic circle. This doesn't make sense.

EX. I'm transit user who is not satisfy

I catch B-Line Dundas to Eastgate Square one bus 24 minutes. (return)

New I catch Dundas bus to McMaster LRT hub. Catch LRT at McMaster hub /to Queenston hub /Catch bus to Eastgate Square. 4 transfers . (return)

Does this make sense to transit user's efficiency.

Mountain Transit User's

She takes Upper Wellington to Main / John st /catch B-Line to Eastgate 2 transfers

New Upper Wellington / King/John /LRT to/Queenston /Bus to Eastgate. 4 transfers

Presently transit riders have two options B-Line and King 1 bus

King bus will be eliminated when LRT is complete.

I suggest Metrolinx /City should renegotiate to original plan Eastgate Square/McMaster and put A-LRT in phase 2.

In 5-10 years where monies come to complete Queenston Transit Hub to Eastgate Transit Hub?

Hamilton long term rapid transit system B L A S T connects with long term growth.

Respectfully ;

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