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**From:** grahammcnally  
**Sent:** May-17-16 10:21 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwyne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mtg.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT in Hamilton - It Will Happen

Hi - As Hamilton grows, it needs to become more sustainable from the perspective of moving people and good. We cannot continue to build roads and houses in the same manner as the past 50+ years. Good public transit is critical to Hamilton's success. Its good for seniors, children, business and everyone in between. City Council - stand by your decisions, your motions, and all the staff reports - do everything in your power to build Hamilton the best LRT possible.

Graham McNally  
Hamilton

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**From:** Erin Shacklette [emshacklette]  
**Sent:** May-12-16 7:01 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT:I fully support it!

Good evening Mayor Eisenberger,

I hope this email finds you(and/or your EA well). As a resident of Hamilton for over 20 years, I have had many opportunities to move elsewhere. I had moved enough as a child and wanted to put down roots somewhere for once. When I lost my job of 12 years last spring I thought of moving out of province all together. However, I like Hamilton. It has character. Hamilton isn't pretentious like Burlington, Oakville, Mississauga or the GTA. It is my kind of city. I own a house in Crown Point East, I attend Mohawk College and currently work as a summer student with the City in the Horticulture Department. My mode of transportation is walking, biking and HSR. The odd time I will rent a car but not very often, mostly if going out of town. I am in full support of the LRT. If I understand correctly, the province is paying to not only fix the infrastructure under Main/King street but they are giving us a state of the art transit system also at no cost to us, the citizens of Hamilton! It would be asinine to say no. This will create so many jobs for many years, something that I hope to be able to find once I graduate my program. We get our water and sewer lines replaced, at no cost to the city. We get fresh new pavement and tracks at no cost to the city. We will be able to carry more passengers at one time than the B-line buses currently can. This means, those extra buses can be moved to other routes that are in desperate need for extended or more frequent service to places like Stoney Creek, Ancaster, Dundas, places I currently don't travel to as it takes too long on the current route schedules.

I don't know how many of these counsellors(Doug Conley, Maria Pearson, Brenda Johnson, Rob Pasuta, Judi Partridge, Chad Collins, Tom Jackson, Donna Skelly and Terry Whitehead ) ever step foot onto a bus or even visit downtown but they need to get their heads out of the sand and look at the gift staring them in the face. Take a trip to England, France, Germany, Japan. Look at their efficient transit service. Negativity breeds negativity. Why do they assume that all businesses will go bankrupt and move because of construction. Personally, I am more likely to visit a downtown that is pedestrian and cyclist friendly than one that is choked off by cars and their exhaust fumes. Perhaps these counsellors should get off their high horses and take a trip on the wild side and step onto a bus and visit downtown. I would be interested to know some of their favorite stores on King St, the ones they visit often and are worried may go out of business.

Those business' that are meant to be open(ie they are actually doing good business now) will survive the construction. People don't just stop attending their favorite shops because of construction. The business owners have plenty of time to adapt to the changes and work with The City to create a plan of action. And those that are just holding on for dear life on can be offered spaces on Ottawa St or Kenilworth and/or Barton St, two streets that are undergoing their own revitalization at the moment.

In addition to supporting the LRT, I would like to put forth an idea. Turn Main St into two way. Complete turning Cannon street into two way. This gives cars two options to get across the city either direction and at the same time will slow down traffic. This on top of the Wentworth/Charlton Ave route which currently exists. This will help lighten the impact of closing down part of King St to cars. Move the bike lanes off of Cannon street and onto King St, with dedicated bike lanes running along side the LRT tracks(with barriers of course)

At one time cars did not exist. People travelled by horse and buggy. Imagine where we would be now if Henry Ford didn't create mass car production? If people said it was too much work, too much money to create roads and highways? That didn't happen because it was more efficient than travelling by horse and buggy. Fast

forward 100+ years and we are looking to move to a more efficient way of travel. Why is this suddenly such a bad thing? It will be an embarrassment to The City should this once in a lifetime offer be turned down and we will never receive another one again.

Please feel free to share with the counsellors.

Kind Regards,

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*Erin Shacklette*

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**From:** emshackle  
**Sent:** May-24-16 6:27 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwyne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Stop living in Fear.

Imagine if our great-great or great-great-great grandparents had said no to cars because they were so different from the tried and true horse and buggy. Sounds kind of far-fetched doesn't it? If the human race could adapt to a new way of travel 100+ years ago, why is it suddenly inconceivable to want to adapt to LRT now? Don't live in fear of change. F.E.A.R = False Expectations Appearing Real. Say yes to LRT Say yes to jobs. Say yes to Hamilton. The ROI will be priceless.

Erin Shacklette  
88 Edgemont St N, Hamilton

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**From:** mikeewas  
**Sent:** October-01-16 10:33 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariodp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT for Hamilton

This email has been addressed to my Ward 5 Councillor- Chad Collins.

Hello Mr Collins.

I am a ward 5 resident and would like it known that I am in favour of the LRT for this city, and I am not the only one in this ward who feels that way. Yet I only ever hear you speaking out against it. Why are you only representing those that are not in favour?

I really don't understand or see why you think the LRT would be more detrimental to Hamilton than it would be beneficial. Yes there will be challenges with this project...just like there are with every other construction project that goes on, but those projects aren't getting stopped because of challenges so why should this one? You plan it out with the best people. You rally to get everyone behind it, and we all do whatever we have to do to make it successful. Many other cities have done that. Why do you feel that Hamilton can't do an even better job of it now that we have all their learned lessons to draw on?

I also haven't heard any other alternate solutions presented that would help prepare this city for the long term in the way that LRT would, particularly when it comes to dealing with the mandated densification, or in terms of the economic benefit that could come from this if it's done right. When I hear people speaking against LRT it mostly boils down to people not wanting change. I get the human nature aspect of that, but that is in no way an acceptable reason to hold a city back. The future is coming whether we like it or not just as it always has. We can choose to either be prepared for it or stick our heads in the sand and hope for the best.

I'm not going to be able to drive forever, yet I'm still going to need to get around, as is everyone else who is ageing and moving into Hamilton. The city over the last number of years has done little on it's own to improve the bus system, so I don't know why I would think that all of a sudden now they'll make miraculous changes to improve things if LRT doesn't happen. And when you have outlying areas demanding better service, yet don't want to pay taxes to make it possible....I just don't see the status quo as the solution. LRT will force the door open and put a red carpet out inviting the rest of the bus system to step it up.

I've gone out of my way to find out everything I can about LRT for Hamilton. I've learned a lot. From what I read and hear from others, they have not done the same. And I don't feel the city has done nearly a good enough job to sell the project. Yes, there are information/status sessions, but that's not the same as selling and educating people on the whole thing, both the pros and cons. That has led people to make inaccurate assumptions and draw conclusions based on false information. To hold a referendum under those circumstances is not fair to the citizens of this city. How can you ask the people to make such a big decision in that environment. That will do more harm than good to the city and it's people.

You are in a position of leadership, someone who is charged with getting us through the here and now, but also to ensure we're ready for the future. Please show some vision (that's being handed to us on a silver platter this time), and be a city builder.

Mike Majcher

Ward 5

Michael Majcher

, Hamilton (ward 5)

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**From:** graeme.luke  
**Sent:** May-10-16 11:08 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT for Hamilton

Hamilton needs LRT to ease congestion and make our city better

Graeme Luke

, Hamilton,

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**From:** Mary@  
**Sent:** May-11-16 9:47 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT for Hamilton

I wanted to express how important I believe LRT is for Our city. Even though some members of city council are against it, they are not thinking of the city as a whole and have also been against many things that would move our downtown/city forward. Our city needs this! I am 100% on board.

Mary Leach  
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**From:** yorkurbanist n  
**Sent:** May-18-16 2:49 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT for Hamilton

Please be forward looking, provide for pedestrians and read:

[http://www.theguardian.com/cities/2015/apr/28/end-of-the-car-age-how-cities-outgrew-the-automobile?CMP=share\\_btn\\_tw](http://www.theguardian.com/cities/2015/apr/28/end-of-the-car-age-how-cities-outgrew-the-automobile?CMP=share_btn_tw) AND

<http://yorkurbanist.com/what-is-urban-design/example-subpage-1/>

Mark Inglis

Ancaster

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**From:** lcparker  
**Sent:** May-13-16 9:07 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeeck, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT for a better future

I desperately want to live in a liveable city. One which recognizes the need to facilitate alternative modes of transportation. Hamilton is very far from this ideal, but with a huge investment in a modern light rail transit system we will have a great start. Hamilton needs a downtown LRT to move people around safely and efficiently, to make the city attractive to investors and residents and as a starting point for future public transportation investments. This is an opportunity we cannot afford to miss.

Laura Parker

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**From:** Viv Saunders  
**Sent:** June-10-16 5:33 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Paul  
**Cc:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT extension to Eastgate

Good Morning Paul!

Yes, I'm still holding out hope that Phase 1 can include Eastgate! In addition to some obvious reasons, I was reading through some more material (the IBI report from 2010) and zeroed in on some of the tables. Specifically the large number of transfers at Parkdale, Nash and of course Centennial in comparison to the other Intersections along the route.

Those transfers in my eyes might result in significant missed ridership on the LRT. Not sure what percent of users will opt for an additional transfer vs avoiding a QTC switch.

So I have 2 questions for today,

1. Should phase 2 follow quickly, would the LRT terminus (depot) still remain at QTC in perpetuity?
2. Since we've been provided with up to a billion, and our low end of cost projections is \$800 million, if while we're building we see that we're at the low end, can we amend the agreement now to include the possibility of extension to Eastgate subject to the overall cap? Similar to what has been agreed to re the A line spur?

I've noticed quite a bit of chatter that it really should go to Eastgate now and comments that it will be phase 2 don't seem to be appeasing residents. I also read the growth projections in the WBR published yesterday and Stoney Creek out to 2026 has pretty impressive numbers.

BTW, once again, you're doing a great job communicating the details! You did a great job yesterday on the radio.

Viv

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**From:** Hodges.kristenl  
**Sent:** May-17-16 9:23 PM  
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**Subject:** LRT essential for Hamilton's progress

As a former Toronto resident, I couldn't be happier to be living in Hamilton. I love everything about it and believe it's on the cutting edge of so many aspects of a vibrant city. Except when it comes to transit. A light rail is essential to the continued boom Hamilton has been experiencing. If we want to keep up, we need this. Let's keep Hamilton moving forward!!

Kristen Hodges

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**From:** Renate Manthei  
**Sent:** October-01-16 9:17 AM  
**To:** LRT Office  
**Cc:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT down the west mountain

I was unable to attend any LRT sessions to date, unfortunately, But I would like to share an idea that was passed the on to me which I think makes a lot of sense:

Instead of the east to west corridor, what about having an LRT coming down the mountain and relieving some of the congestion coming down Beckett drive and the 403 hill with all those folks going to McMaster and the hospital(s). Now there you would be making a difference--lots of folk could be leaving their cars at home and getting to work via transit.

Not sure where this route would go exactly....Garth, Beckett drive and then down near where the Dundurn stairs are?...through the the golf course maybe....

I think Hamiltonians will be better served this way. Many just don't see the need for revamping the east-to west corridor. Yes, but perhaps, it may foster more development in the east....maybe, but the reality is, the true development is up on the mountain. If you want to develop the east, there are many better travel options to consider than a King Street LRT.

Renate Manthei

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Dougmaunder  
**Sent:** May-13-16 8:55 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT do the right thing

I really think that this council should really do the right thing and pass the motion of taking the money that the government is giving to them for the LRT.and dont do what they did for the stadium that they almost screwed up on .as well this should not have anything to do about what certain members on counsal what for them self saying that the lrt will not be good for the city .what are they just that interest in making city proud.the city is always saying we have to build up attract people to the down town core so why not get the LRT .and stop thinking about your selfs for once .thank you

Doug Maunder

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**From:** Dermot Nolan  
**Sent:** May-13-16 7:26 PM  
**To:** Pearson, Maria; Jackson, Tom  
**Subject:** LRT deferral

Hi Maria and Tom

I was disappointed to see that both of you voted to defer the vote on endorsing the LRT project.

You know that I respect your judgment and am very grateful for your continuing good service to this community. I also know how passionately you believe in Hamilton and its future.

With respect, I must tell you that deferring the endorsement vote sends a very dangerous message to the community and to the province.

This is NOT a situation where you have been asked to vote on the admittedly complex details of implementing this extraordinary project. As I understand it, council is being called on to reaffirm once and for all that it supports the plan to which the province has remarkably committed \$1 BILLION dollars to a TRANSFORMATIVE plan for our community.

About that there can be no waffling, no deferral and no hesitation. Council has wisely and with genuine vision repeatedly and unanimously endorsed this project. There is absolutely no reason whatever to defer doing so now (except to cater to those whose vision for Hamilton is blinkered by cynical and hopelessly parochial political small mindedness; You are both bigger thinkers than they are).

I fully support the LRT project and encourage you and your colleagues to consider the experience of every world city that has built a light rail transportation system. They have all experienced a transformative, positive, sophisticated lift.

I urge you to stay the course and embrace WITHOUT RESERVATION the opportunity to give our rising city a comparable lift.

You are used to doing the right thing. Please do not let what the late and infamous Spiro Agnew called the "nattering nabobs of negativity", throw you "off track"!

Best,

Dermot

**Dermot P. Nolan**  
NOLAN, CIARLO LLP

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**From:** Milan [gacesam]  
**Sent:** July-22-16 8:43 AM  
**To:** Partridge, Judi  
**Cc:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT debate

Dear Ms. Partridge,

I live in Ward 15 and would like to know what your position is on the proposed LRT for Hamilton. If possible, please provide the rationale for your position and also links, if available, to relevant literature that addresses the rationale for or against the proposed project. Thank you very much.

By copy of this note to his worship, the Mayor, I am requesting him to also provide whatever information is readily available that clarifies his position on this issue. Thank you.

One more thing, The Spectator announced yesterday (July 21<sup>st</sup>) that there will be LRT public meetings held at a number of locations around Hamilton in September. Ms. Partridge, are you planning to attend any of those meetings? Thanks again.

Milan Gacesa



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**From:** William Mehlenbacher [w.mehlenbacher]  
**Sent:** May-10-16 12:18 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Aidan; Green, Matthew; Conley, Doug; VanderBeek, Arlene; Farr, Jason; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Whitehead, Terry; Pearson, Maria; Skelly, Donna; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; Office of the Mayor; Cutler, Christopher  
**Subject:** LRT changes

I am all for LRT as it was in the original plan, LRT plus Buses because of the distance of the stops with just LRT. So we either got to add more stops on the LRT line or add Buses those stops are just too far apart. It's bad enough in the Winter for handicap people to get around on the side walks to get to a Bus Stop, by walking, walker, scooter etc. So now they have to negotiate further distance to catch the LRT, in very cold weather, and snow, Ice etc. I want to support LRT because it is the way to go, but lets get it right.

Thanks for listening  
Concerned Citizen

Bill ( William ) Mehlenbacher.



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**From:** Chris Drew [chrisjamesdrew]  
**Sent:** July-27-16 10:54 AM  
**To:** info@downtownhamilton.org; info@hamiltoninternationalvillage.ca; Karen Hall  
**Cc:** Kevin Montgomery; Andrew deGroot; Daniel Lewis; Mark Rejhon; Ryan McGreal; Green, Matthew; Office of the Mayor; tmcmeekin.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org; LRT Office  
**Subject:** LRT and Local Hamilton Businesses

Hi Hamilton Business Leaders and Downtown BIAs,

My name is Chris Drew and I'm the co-founder of Fight Gridlock in Brampton. We're a Brampton-based citizen advocacy group that supports transit and complete streets. We supported the Hurontario-Main LRT (HMLRT) and were disappointed when Brampton Council voted against it.

I've been closely following the LRT situation in Hamilton because of the similarities with Brampton's situation. Just like in Brampton, the Province has offered 100% capital funding to build the LRT in your community. I sincerely hope that your Council continues to support the project and works to get shovels in the ground.

I noticed yesterday during a Committee on the LRT project meeting that some concerns were raised about the impact of LRT construction on local businesses. I reflected on the deputations gave by one of Brampton's most outstanding local business owners, Daniel Lewis, who operates T By Daniel on our Main Street. While many people spoke in favour of the HMLRT to Brampton Council, Daniel gave some of the most articulate, passionate, and intelligent deputations in favour of the LRT. In fact, until I heard Daniel speak, I hadn't even shopped at his store. I certainly did after witnessing his passion and local business leadership.

**Videos:**

June 2015 Committee Meeting - <http://bit.ly/LocalBizAndLRTVid1>

July 2015 Council Meeting - <http://bit.ly/LocalBizAndLRTVid2>

October 2015 Council Meeting, final 'no' HMLRT vote - <http://bit.ly/LocalBizAndLRTVid3>

I highly, highly recommend watching **all three** of his five minute deputations to Brampton Council. Daniel's business would be on the street where LRT construction would have taken place. I also encourage you to watch the part in the June 2015 video where certain Brampton Councillors ask pointed questions to Daniel about the impact of construction on his business and Daniel's responses.

Further, I highly recommend that you **share** these videos with your members. Also, Daniel is one of the most inspirational local startup entrepreneur business leaders I've ever met. Brampton is lucky to have him. Daniel also does guest speaking I think folks in Hamilton would be really **interested** in his story of setting up a local business, or as part of a meeting with local Hamilton businesses as part of a LRT discussion.

I fully know that it won't be easy during the LRT construction. However, I think the end result will be worth it and it will draw people like me from outside Hamilton to come and visit. Finally, I'll **commit** to coming to Hamilton during construction and bringing friends to "shop local". Recently, we took a group of Brampton residents who support LRT to Kitchener-Waterloo to check out the LRT construction (media [here](#)). We met with both Mayors, the MPP for Cambridge, local LRT advocates and the LRT project team. We shopped local while there and will do the same for Hamilton. We also brought one of Brampton's best export products, tea from T By Daniel. During the LRT construction in Hamilton, we'll spread the word far and wide that people should come to your city and support the local business. Because if the LRT can be a success in Hamilton, which I'm confident it will, it'll give us hope on our journey in Brampton.

Happy to chat further if you have any feedback.

All the best,  
Chris Drew

PS If you want to try some of Daniel's tea, he takes online orders.

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**Chris James Drew**

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**From:** McNally.Greg@  
**Sent:** May-18-16 9:23 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT an important step towards a greater Hamilton.

Lrt will complete change hamilton in such a positive way not doing this project would be such a mistake. I lived in Vancouver for almost 3 yrs. I've talked with business owners and citizens of the city. During construction of the Canada line from downtown to yvr tensions were heightened. Now most would agree the city couldn't live without it.

City council needs to accept this project. Build on the momentum the city has with the younger generations wanting to make this city greater.

Greg McNally

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Balla4r  
**Sent:** May-19-16 10:41 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT Absolutely a necessary component of modern city

LRT would bring Hamilton on par with other modern Canadian cities- Toronto, Kitchener, Calgary,Edmonton for example. The LRT would provide a necessary east west transit option. If the project is not completed now it will only become increasingly expensive. LRT will attract forward thinking and entrepreneurial initiatives. It will breathe new hope and life into a tired lower city. The aesthetic component of LRT immediately conjures images of progressive thought and modernity.

Jo-Anne Ballarano

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** ekania7  
**Sent:** September-24-16 4:02 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT A lot of work but a lot of reward.

Even if I lived on the mountain or Flamborough I would still support this considering there is 1 billion being offered by the province for this project. It'd be incredibly inept for council not to take advantage of this offer. Benefits far outweigh the cons so long as the council focuses it's efforts on ensuring the project is managed and planned as best as possible rather than wasting time returning to decisions that have already been made...Multiple times.

Eric Kania

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Paul Morris [gitardood]  
**Sent:** March-25-16 12:13 PM  
**To:** letters@thespec.com  
**Cc:** Andrew Dreschel; Office of the Mayor; Merulla, Sam; Jackson, Tom; Whitehead, Terry; skellyward7@gmail.com; Anthony Rizzuto; Boris Korda; Hans Wienhold; Annie Lovas; crazycabbie76; Bambi DeVille-Engeran; Liz Bertrand; Paul Beatty; Phil Benson; Rick Dhillon  
**Subject:** LRT

To say I blew my stack so to speak when I read the article in last Monday's Spec, is an understatement. I was almost stunned with disbelief once it settled in. This has to be one of the largest wastes of money I've ever encountered locally. I can't believe you're still entertaining this harebrained scheme. LRT hasn't worked in other larger cities, who happened to have easire geographics than the layout of Hamilton. A comment made to me by several, was, "it's a white elephant in Buffalo". I guess the thing that really irks me, is that as a taxpayer of many years, I'm tired of both service that don't pay taxes for roads tec (part of gasoline taxes for one), like HSR, (we the public subsidize / fund it through our taxes, the working people who aren't public service union employess, or government employess - all of whom are paid for by taxpayers), having to continually put up with being at the bottom of the priority list. Everyone's forced to yield to buses - even when they just pull out and cut you off like happened to me 3 times in the space of 2 hours one Sunday night recently downtown.

I would say though that the worst thing about this whole mess, is how it's going to congest the flow of traffic many times worse than at present. All this nonsense about a track running down the middle of the street, turning King into 2 way with bidirectional traffic, one lane each side of the track, no left turns at any but major intersections, etc. I think the truth came out in the phrase in Andrew's article with the "people vs cars" phrase. As a driver of almost 50 years in this city, and a cabbie of 26 of those years, I see first hand for 12 hr each shift, the consequences of for instance reverting John, James, Caroline, etc to 2 way when traffic flow was much better and easier with the one ways. Putting a bike lane on streets like Hunter (already narrow enough), and Cannon, and Victoria north of Barton. How stupid!! I never saw any great demand via bike traffic on any of these streets for these lanes. Of course another by product of it all, no more making left turns from one way to one way. Another sore point, is the new set up at Gage and Mohawk. Now with no RIGHT TURNS on red as before, once the light turns green the pedestrian walk also commences, so cars still can't make a right, as there's almost always a number of pedestrians crossing for which one has to wait. If they were going to do this, then there should be an ADVANCE GREEN ARROW FOR RIGHT TURN at the same time as the one for LEFT.

Many passengers in my cab, comment negtively on issues like these, and say they almost can't believe how badly traffic is planned in Hamilton. I have a reply (which you won't like) for that, I say, "to get a job in planning and engineering in this city, one has to have a D.O.P.E. degree, ie Doctor in Obstructive Planning and Engineering/

Paul Morris

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Lakewood Beach Community Council [lakewoodbeachcc@lakewoodbeachcc.com]  
**Sent:** May-03-16 1:18 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Paul  
**Subject:** LRT

Dear Honourable Mayor and Paul,

We've been reading some more, talking to BLine users and thinking some more about the decision to end the east terminus at Queenston Traffic Circle. We believe this may have a negative impact to this worthwhile project and are wondering if it is absolutely for sure too late to have discussions on having the lrt run to Eastgate?

Do we know how many riders take the trip from Eastgate to say Parkdale? (ones that may decide to use/stay on whatever bus is going to be the alternate to the King 1 rather than switch from bus to lrt to head downtown City Hall for example). Human behaviour is such that if the alternate bus route is closer to the user's final destination, they are likely to opt to stay on a bus; especially in inclement weather.

Do we know the cost of Phase 2 vs the cost to build the terminus and buy lands at Queenston Circle (net of the lost revenue on what was going to be high-density developable lands)?

In other words, how much more do we need in funding now to extend it to Eastgate, either as a provincial ask or paid locally?

It's appearing to us that the location at the Queenston Traffic circle is more than just 'not ideal' (for car drivers from Stoney Creek, Winona and Binbrook, as well as those who begin their day on a different bus route to transfer to the b-line ). It appears to be a mistake that if still fixable, we would welcome further discussions. On the understanding that a quick deadline, such as 30 days, to end discussions would be paramount to ensure the overall project isn't dragged out with unnecessary delays.

Thank you,

Anna / Nancy / Viv  
Lakewood Beach Community Council



**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Miller, David [David.Miller@  
**Sent:** May-11-16 1:27 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Cc:** bcdemiller@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** LRT

Mr. Mayor:

An agenda item for the council meeting tonight is a motion to reaffirm the acceptance of the one billion dollar investment in infrastructure and public transit from the Province of Ontario. From the get-go, this has been the biggest waste of time, effort and money that has ever been entertained by the City. Going back 100 years to when tracks and trains ran down the main streets of Hamilton is absurd. The disruption to traffic flow and safety would be crippling.

Much better use of the funds would be made improving the roads and infrastructure that currently exists throughout the City and expanding the routes and improving the bus service provided by the HSR. Trains on streets with fixed rails are inflexible in their routes, susceptible to traffic problems, weather obstacles, emergencies and power failures. To think that this would be an improvement over what we currently have, or could have with updating our current resources, would be a terrible mistake.

I urge you and your fellow council members to take a fresh look at what Hamilton really needs, and stop being blinded by the dollar signs that the Province of Ontario is flashing in front of you.

Dave Miller

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** crg.mcneill@metrolinx.com  
**Sent:** May-12-16 2:44 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-gp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT

I want council to move this important project forward asap.

Craig McNeill

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Gord Benedict [gcbenedict@...]  
**Sent:** May-14-16 4:03 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Gord Benedict I posted this on facebook Welcome to Hamilton  
the only city to have to think of a Billion dollar project from the Provincial and Federal government no cost to the city they will screw this up like  
they did with the stadium and the Red Hill way to go [REDACTED]!!!!!! WE NEED THE LRT SYSTEM

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Melissa Leaist [mleaist]  
**Sent:** May-17-16 1:39 PM  
**To:** VanderBeek, Arlene  
**Cc:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Hi Arlene,

As a lifelong resident of Dundas, I love this wee town. I love it so much that I've made the decision the past 18+ years to commute to work rather than move to Toronto. My appreciation for this town is what drove my dissatisfaction with amalgamation many years ago. Alas, love it or hate it, we are connected to the Greater Hamilton Area and must do all we can to support initiatives that support the greater good for its development and growth.

While our lovely town demographically has been home to a good proportion of senior citizens--many of whom have expressed some confusion about why we would want LRT, you have also seen that young families made our real estate market flourish. During the election, I know you heard from them about environmental sustainability, economic development, maintaining great schools and even transit.

I've heard a number of people say that LRT will not help Dundas. I disagree. It is one part of an overall plan to improve transit to meet the growing demands on this world class city. I implore you to consider that Dundas citizens who regularly take transit from our town all the way to Stoney Creek. A trip that takes more than an hour by bus currently. Buses are over crowded often.

People choose transit for many reasons. Despite the assertions of some of your colleagues on council, many people who choose transit have families and jobs.

I'm sharing these thoughts with you because we have a once in a lifetime opportunity to use these provincial dollars to begin to build very necessary infrastructure in Hamilton. Without these funds, we may never again have such an opportunity. I'm looking to my elected councillor to support the implementation phase of this project and not get sidetracked into the game play of some of your Council colleagues. This project was already been approved. Benefiting the "majority of citizens" is about more than how many people will ride this particular stretch of LRT daily. It is about supporting the economic development of our city. Leaders look to solutions for the concerns being raised, not squandering opportunity. My work in Strategy tells me that sometimes a leader has to choose what is right for the city even when some people don't yet see the vision. A leader in this type of situation needs to help constituents see the positive vision and impacts of our decisions to move forward and take us to new and better places. Change is good!

I hope that I can count on your leadership and your support for LRT and other Hamilton-wide efforts for progress and modernization. Our city is great....let's make it better Arlene.

Melissa Leaist

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Sylvia Laidman [sylvia.laidman@cityofnewyork.gov]  
**Sent:** June-07-16 4:14 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Hello Mr.Mayor,

I hope I am not being a pest. I have been following the discussion about LRT and I haven't read anything that addresses the millions and millions of dollars that will be created in the actual building of the LRT. The jobs that will be created and the money spent will be wonderful for our city. I am wondering why this topic does not appear to be part of the discourse.

Cheers, Sylvia

## Paparella, Stephanie

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**From:** Sylvia Laidman [sylvia.laidman@cityofchicago.gov]  
**Sent:** May-17-16 5:08 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Dear Mr.. Mayor,

I read in the newspaper that city counsellors are re-considering LRT. It is inconceivable that the city has not confirmed this very important and strategic move for our city. LRT is a bold move and it takes courage and foresight to endure the discomfort for the long term gain. This requires intelligent, thoughtful, forward thinking politicians. Does our city have them??

Sincerely, Sylvia Laidman

Sent from my iPad

## Paparella, Stephanie

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**From:** Sylvia Laidman [sylvia.laidman@hamilton.ca]  
**Sent:** May-26-16 5:22 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Good evening Mr. Mayor,

I believe that you are in favour of LRT - you don't have to comment on this. However, this morning's newspaper heading was extremely upsetting. When we dealt with the Ivor Wynne Stadium you were right about location (the current location is simply ridiculous) and you are right about LRT. Loosing the LRT would be a debacle that our city does not need. If I were a business person, I would be pretty angry right now. LRT is good for our city and we will look like laughing stocks if we don't take a stand. Please don't let the doubting Thomas' persuade you. Please vote LRT.

Sincerely, Sylvia Laidman

On Tuesday, August 4, 2015, Office of the Mayor <[mayor@hamilton.ca](mailto:mayor@hamilton.ca)> wrote:

Hi Sylvia,

Again, thank you for sharing your concern with our office. Regrettably, there is nothing illegal with the distribution of these materials, though they are graphic and disturbing.

We normally suggest that residents contact the publisher directly when in receipt of unwanted mailings. In this case, the Canadian Centre for Bioethical Reform and Campaign Life Coalition has persisted in their delivery of these materials, despite an Advertising Standards Council decision that it "offends the standards of public decency".

The CCBR/CFL can be contacted directly at [email@unmaskingchoice.ca](mailto:email@unmaskingchoice.ca), or by phone at 403-774-7467.

Regards,

Laura

Laura Farr

Administrative Assistant

Office of Mayor Fred Eisenberger

City of Hamilton

905-546-4064



**From:** Sylvia Laidman [mailto:syl]  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 02, 2015 9:57 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** [no2trudea.ca](http://no2trudea.ca)

Thank you for your prompt and thorough response. However, Canada Post did not deliver it to our mailbox. I know this because we no longer have mail delivery to our home (and I should point out that my husband and I are delighted with the change). Someone actually took the time to walk up our steps and put it in our mailbox. Sincerely, Sylvia Laidman

On Friday, July 31, 2015, Office of the Mayor <[mayor@hamilton.ca](mailto:mayor@hamilton.ca)> wrote:

Good morning,

Thank you for contacting our office about this. There is little we can do to stop these pamphlets from going out. Canada Post does not have the legal right to refuse delivery of a mail item because they or anyone else object to its content. They advise residents who have concerns about the content to either contact the publisher or simply dispose of it. The group that sends out these pamphlets are from The Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform (CCBR). The group is targeting new ridings and swing ridings ahead of the upcoming federal election. Thank you for sending us your concern.

Kristin Prince  
On behalf of

Laura Farr



Administrative Assistant  
Office of Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
City of Hamilton  
905-546-4064

-----Original Message-----

From: sylvia laidman [mailto:sy  
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2015 9:59 AM  
To: Office of the Mayor  
Subject: [no2trudea.ca](http://no2trudea.ca)

Dear Sir,

Someone put a pamphlet from the above group in my mailbox. To say that it is disgusting would be understating the point. Is there a law against people violating our home with this horrific, grossly exaggerated perspective. Thank you, Sincerely, Sylvia Laidman

I realize that you are a very busy person - perhaps you would pass this along.

Sent from my iPad

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Matias890  
**Sent:** May-17-16 9:22 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mtg.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT

If Hamilton hopes to continue to grow, if it hopes to become a world-class city, it will say yes to LRT. Otherwise, current council will be ruining a perfect opportunity for future generations. One of the reasons I left Toronto because it's transportation infrastructure is a disaster and showed lack of forethought in the past, which it is now paying for in spades. Hamilton, don't make the same very foolish mistake.

Matias Rozenberg

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** drmpray  
**Sent:** May-19-16 10:21 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Fred,

I am writing to express my support for LRT in Hamilton, realizing that councillors are in the position of trying to create the best place to live for their constituents and this is a huge undertaking with a lot of unknown variables.

As a physician living and working in the downtown core and a member of the CORE Family Health Team, I see the evidence that LRT is an efficient way of moving people and would be used in conjunction with making Hamilton a friendly place for pedestrians and cyclists. With growing concerns for the environment, the days of seeing single drivers in their cars on our highways and city roads, have to be numbered.

LRT has to be the preferred option, as evidence bears out in mid size cities across the US and Europe. If we want to keep pace with other mid size cities in Canada (eg Kitchener Waterloo), we need to have the amenities to attract the type of people and businesses of the new economy that will in turn result in a thriving Hamilton.

Speaking of KW, we are in a position as a later adopter, as being able to learn from their experience as they near completion of their transport corridor and are already seeing the returns in residential and commercial investment.

Appreciate your ongoing support for LRT and for making Hamilton a great city. We are getting known as a city with a high level of citizen engagement and this is encouraging to see, having moved back from school in Toronto in 1980 and going through a rather down period.

It is difficult times, but potentially an exciting time for our city.

Michael Pray

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** andrea\_torchia@  
**Sent:** May-20-16 6:14 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT

Dear Council, We are being given money to use and if we don't use it we loose it. I'm for the LRT and as are many Hamiltonians. We need to improve our city making public transportation more efficient in all areas across Hamilton and its greater area! We all will benefit from improving our transportation system. There has been already much planning and it is now time to finalize the plans and vote "yes" to the LRT. Metrolinx is giving us a wonderful paid opportunity not only toward a better transportation system but will also bring employment and businesses to Hamilton. If you are struggling with this decision why not let the people of Hamilton make this decision and hold a referendum, which would be a democratic resolution. This will allow people to have a voice and assist in making the right decision together. I also encourage council to move forward with the right decision, which is to build the LRT! We need it, we planned for it, and we will benefit from it!

Andrea Torchia

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** halden@  
**Sent:** May-21-16 11:44 AM  
**To:** Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew  
**Cc:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Hello gentlemen,

As a resident and business owner in both wards 2 and 3, I'm writing to you to express my support for the LRT. I am happy to speak for the Hamilton Tool Library and its 700+ members, that we are happy to work with any construction on King Street, and are looking forward to all of the benefits that the LRT will bring to our city.

Please include myself and the HTL among the other enthusiastic supporters of the LRT when it comes time for council to make its final decision and hopefully move this project forward.

Best regards,  
Halden Sproule  
Executive Director  
Hamilton Tool Library

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** wilsonallan22@  
**Sent:** May-24-16 6:24 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT

Look to the future.

Allan Wilson

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Allisonjack11  
**Sent:** May-24-16 6:26 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeIDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT

I fully support LRT in Hamilton. I do not have a car so this is really.imoortant tj me.

Allison Jack

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** MaryAnn [mfuture@  
**Sent:** May-25-16 1:24 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Mayor Eisenberger

I think the LRT is very likely to impact in a negative way on our city and that alternatives must be considered.

Surely Premier Wynne would respond in a flexible, creative, and positive way to the citizens of Hamilton in their search for changes in transit that would be more positive, and more 'flexible' than LRT.

For example: A small thought here—if-[as happened in Fort McMurray, or Mississauga earlier in the 20th century, a city needed to be evacuated]—transit vehicles running only on fixed routes would be of little use. Environmentally friendly transit vehicles that could travel on roads offer the flexibility that a changing city should value. The transit system would be free to develop creative and timely responses to the need for moving people and goods in our city, and if necessary outside our city as well. An environmentally friendly transit vehicle design could provide a flexibility that could respond in creative ways in our own community and in others if aid elsewhere is required.

MaryAnn  
[Jazvac]



## Paparella, Stephanie

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**From:** MaryAnn [mfuture@sympatico.ca]  
**Sent:** May-30-16 5:48 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Cc:** premier@ontario.ca  
**Subject:** Re: LRT again - - - -

Mayor Eisenberger ~

Yes! Definitely it is better to receive a billion dollars of provincial government support for transit than not! However, that doesn't mean that the money should be used to pay for a transit solution that is not the best for our city, our community, and other communities as well.

Flexibility of route for transit vehicles is a wiser solution—and one that seems to combine well with the already established value you tell me in your email that the city of Hamilton has placed on road maintenance! Surely the money could be used more wisely to achieve transit vehicle needs and also maintain a more flexible delivery system through existing, modified, or new roads and modified infrastructure where needed [eg. “hubs].

Surely, sober second-thought still operates in our world and would be a practice that governments need to be willing to undertake. The city and the province could examine past decisions in light of a growing understanding of a world that is changing unpredictably—and that rail transit with vehicles limited to travel on fixed routes operating in the geographic reality that is Hamilton's is probably not the best choice.

Transit vehicles would serve us better if they have the flexible capabilities of travelling on roads—to respond to changing needs, changing use patterns, as well as crises that may arise in our community or others. Vehicles could be powered by environmentally sound methods. Even the old “trolley bus” paradigm seemed to be one that provided a much more flexible system—wires could be moved and re-routed more easily than tracks! I am not espousing that system—but rather more flexible responses to transit needs in a world and city that is changing.

Again, I will remind you that I am old enough to remember many of the mistakes of the past that wounded our city! I write out of concern that once more a mistake is being made—with influences from some people who do not often use transit, or reside and lead their lives along the proposed LRT routes, or even in the city of Hamilton.

Tying vehicles to expensive track infrastructure seems to be a combination of errors!

I trust that representatives of the city and the province would be able to revisit ideas and decisions made in the past. It's not just about the money.

It's about achieving the goals in the best ways.

MaryAnn

Leona Court, Hamilton ON  
L8K4G9

> On May 30, 2016, at 8:59 AM, Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca> wrote:

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> Apologies if it was misread, MaryAnn. A few points, so that you have the correct information.

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> Council has already consistently voted for LRT in an unbroken chain of motions dating back to 2006, when Council first established a Rapid Transit Office and directed staff to undertake a Rapid Transit Feasibility Study.

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> After several months of research and extensive community engagement, staff came back with a strong recommendation: build light rail, integrate with community and economic development policies, start with the east-west line, and move quickly and decisively to get priority funding from the Province. Council agreed and staff began work on detailed design for the east-west B-Line and preliminary design on the north-south A-Line. The Province provided \$3

million in funding for the City to complete a required Class Environmental Assessment for the project.

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> Staff completed the Rapid Ready LRT Plan in early 2013 and Council unanimously approved it, submitting the plan to the Province for full capital funding of LRT. In 2014, Council voted again to reaffirm its support for the LRT plan and to start implementing the local investments needed to prepare for LRT. In early 2015, Council yet again reaffirmed its request for full capital funding for LRT, while amending its capital funding request to include an additional \$300 million in capital funding for local transit, mainly a new bus storage facility.

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> In May 2015, the Province confirmed full capital funding for the LRT request but not for the local transit request, noting that local transit should be funded from local revenues, plus the federal and provincial gas tax transfers. In addition, the City itself undertook very broad community engagement between 2008 and 2011 and found consistent, strong support for LRT across the city. Further, the 2015 Citizens' Jury on Transit, a group formed out of representatives selected at random from every part of the city, reviewed the case for LRT and concluded that it provides "great potential for city-building" and should be planned carefully and communicated effectively to provide the maximum overall benefit.

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> Unlike most of its competitor cities across Canada, Hamilton spends its federal gas tax transfer on road maintenance instead of the transit service it is supposed to be for. And our share of the provincial gas tax transfer keeps shrinking because Hamilton's transit service levels remain stagnant while other cities keep increasing theirs.

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> Hamilton is also the only city in Ontario to maintain area rating for transit, a system in which different parts of the city pay different tax rates toward transit and receive service levels consistent with what they pay. Under this arrangement, for service to be increased in an area-rated community, the entire cost of the increase must be paid by local ratepayers instead of being spread across the city. We have the tools to grow local transit, but use them to catch up on the deferred roads maintenance from the 80s and 90s.

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> Most people, given a chance to learn about why Council adopted the goal of LRT funding back in 2008 and has pursued it ever since, will come to the obvious conclusion: that there is absolutely no sensible reason to turn down a billion dollars in capital funding from the Province for a rapid transit investment that will shape land use, develop the economy, improve how Hamiltonians move around and increase the city's competitiveness for decades to come. This is the first phase of the total plan of the BLAST network that will be needed in twenty years once it is all built. If it's not built now, then when? And likely at the City's cost.

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> Here is the Rapid Ready Report for your perusal, which details the case and benefits for LRT. [http://www2.hamilton.ca/NR/rdonlyres/76D38C17-DC96-4C54-8E55-3A6EA1C71D73/0/Feb25EDRMS\\_n414203\\_v1\\_5\\_1\\_PW13014.pdf](http://www2.hamilton.ca/NR/rdonlyres/76D38C17-DC96-4C54-8E55-3A6EA1C71D73/0/Feb25EDRMS_n414203_v1_5_1_PW13014.pdf)

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> Cheers,

> Fred

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> Fred Eisenberger

> Mayor

> City of Hamilton

> 905-546-4200

> @FredEisenberger

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: MaryAnn [mailto:mfuture@sympatico.ca]

> Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2016 7:35 PM  
> To: Office of the Mayor  
> Cc: Collins, Chad  
> Subject: Re: LRT

> Dear "Fred"

> My letter should not be counted as "support of Hamilton's LRT project"—rather it is an expression of concern and reservations—concern that Hamilton may make yet another poor decision about changes affecting the 'core'.

> We need transportation vehicles that are not tied to tracks - - - - vehicles that use roads offer very valuable flexibilities in a changing world.

> I know who my councillor is. I wrote to him as well as you. I also wrote to Premier Wynne.

> With respect Mr. Mayor, your response here seems not to recognize what I have tried to communicate, but rather to express your desire to move toward LRT over objections and concerns that might be raised.

> MaryAnn

>> On May 26, 2016, at 4:13 PM, Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca> wrote:

>> Hi MaryAnn,

>> Thank you for your support of Hamilton's LRT project. I would encourage you to also call your ward Councillor's Office to let them know your views. If you are unsure who your Councillor is, let me know. You can also share information about LRT with your friends and family. All the information is posted at <http://www.hamilton.ca/lrt>.

>> I look forward to continued community engagement on the LRT!

>> Cheers,

>> Fred

>> Fred Eisenberger

>> Mayor

>> City of Hamilton

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>> Ward Name Phone Twitter

>> 1 Aidan Johnson (905) 546-2416 @aidan\_johnson

>> 2 Jason Farr (905) 546-2711 @JasonFarrHamOnt

>> 3 Matthew Green (905) 546-2702 @MGreenWard3

>> 4 Sam Merulla (905) 546-4512 @Sam\_Merulla

>> 5 Chad Collins (905) 546-2716 @Chad\_Collins5

>> 6 Tom Jackson (905) 546-2707

>> 7 Donna Skelly (905) 546-2706 @SkellyHamilton

>> 8 Terry Whitehead (905) 546-2712 @terrywhitehead

>> 9 Doug Conley (905) 546-2703

>> 10 Maria Pearson (905) 546-2701

>> 11 Brenda Johnson (905) 546-4513 @CouncillorB

>> 12 Lloyd Ferguson (905) 546-2704 @clrferguson

>> 13 Arlene VanderBeek (905) 546-2714 @arlenevandrbek

>> 14 Robert Pasuta (905) 546-2705

>> 15 Judi Partridge (905) 546-2713 @judipartridge

>> -----Original Message-----

>> From: MaryAnn [mailto:mfuture@sympatico.ca]

>> Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2016 1:24 PM

>> To: Office of the Mayor

>> Subject: LRT

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>> Mayor Eisenberger

>> I think the LRT is very likely to impact in a negative way on our city and that alternatives must be considered.

>> Surely Premier Wynne would respond in a flexible, creative, and positive way to the citizens of Hamilton in their search for changes in transit that would be more positive, and more 'flexible' than LRT.

>> For example: A small thought here—if-[as happened in Fort McMurray, or Mississauga earlier in the 20th century, a city needed to be evacuated]—transit vehicles running only on fixed routes would be of little use. Environmentally friendly transit vehicles that could travel on roads offer the flexibility that a changing city should value. The transit system would be free to develop creative and timely responses to the need for moving people and goods in our city, and if necessary outside our city as well. An environmentally friendly transit vehicle design could provide a flexibility that could respond in creative ways in our own community and in others if aid elsewhere is required.

>> MaryAnn

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**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Ian Fox [whytock]  
**Sent:** May-25-16 4:56 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Hello Mr. Mayor. Thanks for your support of LRT. I moved to Hamilton 10 yrs ago and have fallen in love with the city. I have however not fallen in love with house Council seems to bungle up major projects (i.e. Stadium decisions etc.) I am hoping council will try to look further than the next election when making important decisions. I know the LRT will help propel Hamilton to one of the great cities of the world. Please help get this done. Much appreciated.

Ian Fox  
Ward 2 resident

Sent from Ian's iPhone 6

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Jackie Cutmore [jcutmore@]  
**Sent:** May-31-16 1:44 PM  
**To:** Collins, Chad  
**Cc:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Hi there.... Well I have been trying to read as much as I can on this LRT and the one thing that I keep missing is why ...why do you not want the LRT.

Do you have a better proposal. Have you looked at any or all options for integration of such a service i.e. start at perhaps three areas along the route that is proposed. The beginning, the middle and the end and that way there would not be disruption for all businesses but rather at certain points. Then when those areas are completed do the area between the three points. Options....a good word I think.

I believe that the LRT should go to Eastgate Mall and if that is why you oppose the LRT then why don't you lobby for that. So please do tell...why do you oppose the LRT and the one billion dollars that comes with it.

Also There is talk about buses. So has that cost been presented to Council. In order to accommodate the increasing population there needs to be some added form of transportation. How much will it cost.

The taxes are already high in Hamilton so it will be a challenge to add what is needed and keep those taxes down

I would strongly suggest that Council take a bus trip around the city and of course I am partial to the area that I live in (Barton, Nash, Queenston, Centennial) and perhaps you can get an idea of all the refuse laying on the side of the roads and streets.. It serves many purposes this bus excursion and it would be an eye opener for Council. I believe I have suggested before that a partnership with the Chamber of Commerce would be a good thing to go after businesses to "spruce up" their frontages. Let's make Hamilton inviting.

When I moved to Hamilton four years ago, I had lived in Oakville for approximately 45 years. I served as a Trustee, Councillor and Regional Councillor in the late 70's and early to mid 80's. I understand that there are difficult decisions to make. I do not understand this indecision and effort to "stall" on what many including the Ministry had thought was a "done deal".

Once again....if there is a valid reason for not supporting the LRT...what is it. Secondly how will you transport the growing population and at what cost to the taxpayers realizing the 1 billion dollars goes only with the LRT.

Thank you for your time.

Jackie Cutmore

p.s. I hear all the time Hamilton is the most mismanaged city in Ontario...have you heard that?

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** george [gthomson56]  
**Sent:** June-09-16 8:43 PM  
**To:** Whitehead, Terry  
**Cc:** Wicken, Colleen; Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Sir,  
A member of City Staff was on the Scott Thompson show on CHML today speaking about the proposals for the new LRT and you attacked him and the policies, on the show.

You **bushwhacked** a city staff member, while he was doing his job representing city. It was entirely unprofessional and was completely uncalled for and frankly, was reprehensible. You owe the city and the city staffer Mr Johnson, an apology, at the very least.

George Thomson

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Dave Gava [davegava63 ,  
**Sent:** August-31-16 7:55 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** Lrt

Dear Mr mayor I support lrt . What concerns me is certain politicians mudding the waters and deliberately trying to confuse people by telling them that it isn't lrt or nothing. If we turn down lrt. BRT or express busses will not happen probably for a least a decade or more. I can hear queens park telling our city they are not included in this round of funding and to reapply when we figure out what's best for Hamilton. What a great opportunity for queens park to ignore us again! I believe this is what we will get nothing! If we say no. Is it lost on council that Waterloo is competing against Hamilton for Toronto investment and population growth.? I understand your low profile lately. Can we not get Hamilton's elite business leaders to jump back into action again we need all of them. We need them to be loud and concise. This is too important for us to give up on without a fight. Mr mayor I don't have to tell you how many times Hamilton has missed the call of history I probably can't tell you anything you don't already know. We have lived it! All I can tell you is how I feel. A lot of councilors don't realize the press will turn on them. If they turn lrt down. Especially when other Cities put their hands up and say we'll take it. I can hear them saying once again stupid Hamilton. I am literally praying when the time is right you can engage the forces you have at your fingertips. No one lives forever especially in politics let this be your legacy to future Hamiltonians. I have been telling everyone I know why this project should happen. If there's anything more I could do I would do it. Fight Mr Mayor even if you have to be stealth. It is LRT or nothing we both know it . God be with you sir and our city.



**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Marie Zilik [marie.zilik@cityofbaltimore.com]  
**Sent:** September-30-16 10:35 AM  
**To:** Pearson, Maria  
**Cc:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Good morning Maria

I will start by letting you know that I am very pro LRT and am very dismayed by the conversations happening in our city with regards to an anti-LRT group and a referendum.

Our city has already had a stadium project for the downtown hijacked by waffling politicians on our city council. I hope this won't be happening with this project. The very fact alone that the infrastructure will be updated at no cost to city taxpayers cost is a reason to fight for this project. This project has already been voted on many times by our city council. Now we have the funding.

Perhaps your stand on this issue has been made known, however, I have not heard what it is. I did not see you at the the info sessions at Battlefield house so I am writing to you to find out what your stand is on LRT and the proposed referendum on LRT on the next election ballot.

I look forward to your response.

Marie Zilik

Sent from my iPad

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** harry stinson [harrystinson100]  
**Sent:** October-01-16 11:42 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT

Good on you, Fred, with respect to your stand on the LRT.  
People outside Hamilton are utterly bewildered by the local "debate" on declining the funds.... and just when Hamilton is making progress on its image

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Suzanne(  
**Sent:** May-17-16 11:04 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT, yes please!

Hamilton needs this. No more feet dragging, let's go!

Suzanne Zandbergen

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**From:** Jennmfriesen@  
**Sent:** May-19-16 8:19 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeIDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT, yes please.

Because it's 2016.

Jennifer Friesen

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**From:** allenbee allenbee [allenbee@...]  
**Sent:** June-08-16 9:09 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** LRT: Yes, Main Street makes more sense

LRT running along Main Street makes more sense.

It would be quicker to travel from end to end.

It is still near to the stadium and the shops in the downtown area.

And, of course, it is still near the original primary end destinations of McMaster University and Eastgate Square.

Perhaps, doing away with a new LRT bridge over the 403 would financially allow the route to be extended to Eastgate, as originally planned..

Respectfully, Barb Allen, Hamilton

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** liamdrbrown  
**Sent:** May-19-16 1:55 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeeck, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT, Yeah You Know Me!

Public Transportation is a key component of a world class City, let's show Toronto how it's done!

Liam Brown

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**From:** Harrowd@  
**Sent:** May-17-16 9:22 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT: we need progress!

Transit makes cities more livable, get on with it already!

Dina Harrow

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**From:** jmaccallum5@  
**Sent:** October-03-16 10:10 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT: THE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE OF OUR GREAT CITY!

The time has absolutely arrived to embrace LRC and move this City forward and work towards integrating public transit across the region. As a Hamiltonian who embraces sustainability and understands city building, LRT is essential. Across the entire age spectrum, many people are choosing to reduce their reliance on cars and are choosing car share and all forms of public transit as affordable and sustainable alternatives. This city needs to make the courageous decision to approve LRT that will facilitate growth, support urban residential and commercial density, creating a vibrant city to be enjoyed by all age groups, residents and visitors alike. LET'S MAKE THIS HAPPEN!!

Joanne McCallum



**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** george@  
**Sent:** June-27-16 8:34 AM  
**To:** LRT Office; Office of the Mayor; Green, Matthew  
**Subject:** LRT: the effect and consequences on my business and family

Hello,

My name is George Moskov.

I am the owner of King Car Wash , located at 901 King street East ( King and Sherman) .  
 I hope that I'll be able to get some reasonable answers to the serious issues I am facing due to the LRT construction.

I bought this business and property 7 years ago now, hoping that over time when Its paid off, I will have something to

lean on. This business is what pays my bills, and takes care of my family. Paying it off is **practically our retirement savings account.**

Me and my wife both rely on it, and worked here **7 days** a week almost all that time.

My ISSUE : Knowing roughly how long it will take to build the lines, and seeing what its supposed to look like, means that I will be out of business. A **Car Wash relies on CAR traffic....** Stopping the traffic completely for unspecified time during construction , restricting or closing lanes once the project is finished will have a deadly impact on businesses like mine that rely on CARS getting IN and OUT fast. We are not in business where clients will come walking in, or perhaps like other automotive businesses where the vehicle can be left for hours or days to do certain services, and the business will be OK even if few cars get in.

I am sure many will agree that the real estate value will go up because of the LRT ???  
 May be it will , but the value of businesses like mine is mainly **in the business itself** . No cars able to get in ,no value in it, other than the land. What difference will it make if the real estate goes up when I cant pay it and, what I have as **real estate and business** it's appreciated for the real estate **only** ???

We need CAR COUNT and many, to stay in business an make a living.

With the LRT in, I DON'T see how this will be possible ???

I would like to know what the city and the developer will **consider and DO**, to help avoiding or alleviating the destruction of our lives. Because given the facts , that's what we seems to be facing ??

Thank you for your consideration  
 Best regards,

George Moskov

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** dbeer167(  
**Sent:** May-10-16 11:05 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT: Once in a lifetime chance

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity. Please don't let it slip away.

david beer

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Stuart Wheldon [stuart.wheldon@cityofhamilton.ca]  
**Sent:** May-15-16 1:19 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Farr, Jason; Johnson, Aidan; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi  
**Subject:** LRT - New residents perspective

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

To say I was disappointed by councils decision to a) re-vote in or out LRT after already doing so and b) then delay the vote another week was simply weak and frankly laughable.

As new Hamiltonians who recently moved back to Canada after 11 years in London England, we are excited to now call this great place home. Growing up in Burlington and spending much of my teenage years in Hamilton, with a father who worked at Westinghouse, I witnessed Hamilton's decline firsthand and frankly Hamilton wasn't on our radar when moving back (Toronto or Vancouver were our 2 options). Then on a trip back to Canada 18 months ago a friend suggested we look at what's going on in Hamilton. We did and fell in love with the city and opportunity it presents - the entrepreneurship, arts scene, regeneration of the core, heritage property conservation and of course planned transformative developments.

Having spent the last 20 years in the technology and music sectors running high growth businesses and investing in start-ups. I can hand on heart state that I have a pretty good idea of what it takes to attract companies like this to places like the GTHA and specifically Hamilton. While low rates and rents are great, knowledge base industries want much more than that.

As my partner is finalizing plans to open her business in the core along the planned LRT route and we invest in establishing our lives here, this topic has become an important one to us - so much so that I feel compelled to email council in a show of support for LRT.

I also appreciate we are only two people in a big city with a lot of history but I want to share our reasoning and perspective in the hope that it might provide a few moments of pause to reflect on the wider opportunity LRT presents.

Councillor Whitehead - your election website (since removed) noted "working to bring high paying jobs to Hamilton" - fantastic pledge. The challenge is that today's high paying jobs which Hamilton needs such as technology, research, biotech, robotics, energy, etc. are different to the typical manufacturing base of previous decades. These businesses want locations and services that promote livable walkable cities that have transit options and allow them to attract top talent. Their employees want these things as well for quality of life and convenience. Example of this are evident across the globe such as the start-up shift from Silicon Valley to downtown San Fran and Oakland, Brooklyn NY, Cambridge Mass, Shoreditch and Kings Cross regeneration in London UK, Hamburg Port regeneration, Central Berlin, Marais in Paris, Singapore CBD and the shift of business back to Toronto's core.

Councillor Collins - On Friday you noted Hamilton lags development in the GTA. This should not come as a surprise - developers outside Hamilton look at City Hall, look at our past, look at the inaction and it does not give much optimism to invest large sums of money into helping build a better Hamilton. I see you are pro intensification of Centennial and in reviewing the initial plan it looks promising. However, to speed up such plans, attract investment and bring additional services to that community we need to portray a progressive approach that changes the status quo. Developers and businesses need a "story" to tell in order to attract new

buyers and sell units/lease space. A story not just on the development but on the area and the city - 3D master plans, smart rezoning and promise of more buses isn't enough for Hamilton right now.

I also note an interesting article - <http://neighbourhoodchange.ca/documents/2015/04/neighbourhood-change-in-hamilton-since-1970.pdf> from the University of Toronto - "A City on the Cusp: Neighbourhood Change in Hamilton since 1970" which clearly **shows downward change in older Mountain neighbourhoods and Stoney Creek**. To me this is all the more reason to not bash LRT but rather aggressively push for expanding the current phase so that corridors like Upper James receive new life blood which in turn protects existing neighbourhoods, expands regeneration benefits to these neighbourhoods and makes them more attractive for the next generation.

**I would urge council to refocus all this negative energy on making LRT better** and expand the transit conversation to include debate on how it best supports waterfront development, neighbourhood regeneration and how it helps create true inclusive neighbourhoods. Let's start lobbying Provincial and Federal governments NOW to start funding conversations for expanding LRT to the new Stoney Creek GO station and up the mountain to Mohawk, Limeridge and beyond. Have debate on where LRT should go and stop, how to best help businesses during construction (i.e. option to use alleys, use parking lots as temporary "pop-up" markets, provide business support/mentorship to those that require it throughout construction, etc.) and debate how to best adjust and prepare the city for a post LRT world in 5 years time.

- Why are we not heavily promoting this LRT deal **"includes replacing roads, sewers and sidewalks along the route"**? How much will it cost the city to fix 11km's of roads and sewers?
- Why are we not promoting **"construction will be completed in sections"** and not all at once? Businesses won't have ripped up street in front of them for 5 years.
- Why are we not **discussing and debating the positive development impacts this LRT phase will have along its initial route and core**? This will translate into additional development charges and tax revenue which will have a positive impact on the city's bottom line. How can these additional funds be best used and redistributed to have a wider city impact?

I look forward to attending my first council meeting on Wednesday and sincerely hope you choose to put this city on a path to sustainable recovery showing those looking to move here, invest here and existing residents that council can make tough decisions that are not based on the "right now" but decisions that positively impact both current and future generations.

With respect,  
Stuart Wheldon

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** bedder10@metrolinx.com  
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**Subject:** LRT - Moving us forward !

LRT - Lets be progressive and move ahead with this outstanding opportunity that will benefit both us and future Hamiltonians.  
Lets make this City greater than it is !!!

Paul Federico

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**From:** reinameriga  
**Sent:** May-24-16 6:34 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** LRT - Make it happen

Please do stay the course with the LRT plan. We need it and we need it soon, no more debates. It has been settled so please just work to get it implemented as it has been agreed. Thank you!

Ameriga Alonzo

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**Subject:** LRT: Let's do this, already!

It defies all logic that council would still be waffling on accepting and supporting this incredibly important infrastructure project. Are we really going to sabotage this city's future? Please exhibit the leadership appropriate to your position, members of council!

Jeffrey Hannaford  


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**From:** Ron Barrons [mailto:ron.barrons@pc.ola.org]  
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**To:** Johnson, Aidan; Office of the Mayor  
**Cc:** ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; patrick.brownco@pc.ola.org  
**Subject:** LRT - Hamilton

This is all about the movement of money, which yes will create construction jobs, but will have little or no benefit for the city or its people after the fact. And in the end it will be a big drain on economy of the city both for the operations and the maintenance.

Let's say we have 20,000 riders per day paying \$3 per ride or \$60,000 a day or \$21,900,000 a year, it will take 45.6 years to recoup the \$1 billion and that is without paying any labour or maintenance. Now tell me where this make any sense.



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**From:** deborrahsherman [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** LRT - don't let them stonewall it

I am a mountain resident who does not use public transportation within the city of Hamilton, but who does regularly use it to travel to my Toronto job and use transit within that city. Despite not using Hamilton's HSR system, I am fully in favour of enhanced transit service within the city. We need LRT as well as a system of bike lanes and complete streets to make moving around Hamilton safer, more affordable, less congested and better for the environment. My "need" to get downtown or through town quickly should not take precedence over these values, and I do not feel entitled to demand that residents in areas like Aberdeen, for example, be denied complete and safe streets so that I can speed through and endanger them in my rush to get where I want to go. I can slow down and leave a minute or two earlier. Hamilton has already made the decisions to proceed with LRT. Please do not allow certain councilors to "derail" this the way they have delayed or stonewalled other projects, (eg the decision to create bike lanes).

Deborah Sherman  
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**From:** brendansamuelwilson [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** LRT - a gift for each citizen of the city

I moved to Hamilton to raise my family. I am proud to be from here because I see the way this city is moving in to the future. It makes me sad to think we could miss an opportunity to grow our city.

A billion dollars for LRT would create a lot of jobs for people in this city. It would encourage commerce along the affected area. It would create a city where walking is encouraged. People in other cities - of all stripes and socioeconomic backgrounds take the train. It will not just be used by the people who live in the community.

This year I have started working as a postal worker and I am delighted to have the opportunity to walk deep into the neighbourhoods that this LRT will serve. Main and King themselves are blighted in many places - empty storefronts, dilapidated buildings. What many don't see is how bright and vibrant the neighbourhoods nearby are. The LRT could serve these neighbourhoods, lift them up and bring King St to life.

What you see in other cities with mass transit is that the area around them is bolstered. Can you imagine the train before and after a Ticats game? Or leaving an event at Copps? Bustling and full of people proud of where they are from. Most people will be able to take transit home, even if they need to connect to a bus elsewhere.

There have been lots of projects that have served other parts of the city. Projects designed for the inner city only face resistance from the mountain and the rural areas. I see how projects for other parts of the city have helped me - I don't use the RHVP or Linc every day, but when I need them, I am glad they are there. Why hold such contempt for people in other parts of the city? What does it serve people outside of the inner city to keep one part of the city down and deny it something that would have the ability to serve everyone?

Brendan Wilson  
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**From:** mcbrien.john@metrolinx.com  
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**Subject:** LRT = YES

Catalyst. That is all I need to say.

John McBrien  
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**From:** r.rumney@  
**Sent:** May-18-16 9:21 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Looking forward to LRT

I think the LRT will be a great addition to this city and I look forward to using it. We live close to the proposed James St N spur line and I think it will be really useful to use. Please support this motion!

Rochelle Rumney  
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**From:** ajf74 [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-19-16 1:55 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkorosci@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** looking forward to a greater Hamilton

It's time for Hamiltonians to make up for the sins of our fore-fathers. A urban core crushed in the 1950's & 60's by short sighted and narrow minded city counsellors who thought that destroying downtown vibrancy was a smart price to pay for creating the ultimate car-friendly infrastructure. And now, with a chance to start turning itself around, Greater Hamilton is suffering from road blocks that would have us go right back to those dark days of downtown decimation. That's inconceivable to those of us who have moved to Hamilton and see its potential as a city of greatness; but unfortunately that opposition is always going to come from those who cannot look forward.

We MUST open our eyes and look around us. Look to other cities, other places, other countries. Don't be afraid of doing this, embrace it. This is the only way forward. We lived in Vancouver during the endless debate and eventual construction of The Canada Line. We lived in Boston as the city embraced a decade of disruption & billions invested in The Big Dig. Small-minded opposition was a common theme in all of those places, but the world doesn't have to listen to that. In fact, it can't afford to. We need visionaries who are willing to look beyond the short term inconvenience and selfish indulgences. Suburban populations have never been known for their groundbreaking ideas in any city. Yet investment in the future of our downtown is desperately needed, like it or not, and there are enough intelligent, committed and passionate members of our city all over the place to make this groundswell a success.

Support the LRT, and help stop the fear of progress.

AJ Fleming  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** tghill.hill6@metrolinx.com  
**Sent:** September-12-16 10:03 AM  
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**Subject:** look to the future

I sincerely hope the LRT goes through. We need electric and mass transit to get citizens interested. It's been nearly 25 years since the last pure electric transit system existed here, and the remaining trolley buses had diesel motors installed in them for some reason. Before that, 35 years ago, the ALRT system was a possibility, but was cancelled for various reasons I'm not sure of. I recently bought a book on Hamilton, with proposals that never came to fruition, and I looked at the then proposed ALRT route and thought that maybe the LRT should maybe follow that route more so due to our city's particular conditions. Maybe some of it could be slightly elevated. Nonetheless, I hope it happens.

Tony Hill  
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**From:** Itsgeorgie [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** look to the future

A fully funded LRT project in Hamilton is 100% the correct idea. Anyone on Hamilton council who opposes should be removed from their position and replaced by someone who actually cares about the city.

George MacPherson  
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**From:** Davemichal@metrolinx.com  
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**Subject:** look to the future

I am 35, please make the choice for LRT for my future kids and grandchildren.

Dave Michal  
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**From:** kathleen.beckett@metrolinx.com  
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**Subject:** look to the future

we need lrt

Kathleen Beckett  
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**Subject:** look to the future

This will make Hamilton a better city.

Graeme Douglas  
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**From:** ron.collier@metrolinx.com  
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**Subject:** look to the future

If Hamilton is to continue being the "ambitious city" we need to have an LRT to help usher us into the future. Economic growth, the social benefit of complete streets, and the health and environmental benefits are each arguments on their own for the LRT. But given that Hamilton will reap all of these benefits together, we CANNOT afford to miss out.

Ron Collier  
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**From:** jacksclervername@ [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** look to the future

Not like better transit is beneficial or anything...

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**Subject:** look to the future

Yes , all for it !!! Time to move forward with change improve traffic on the city streets giving more options to commuters . Good time to create jobs and clean up the city of Hamilton . It's time we are recognized as the beautiful city we are then the arm pit of Lake Ontario .

Amir Dautovic  
Stoney Creek

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**From:** james.v.michener [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** look to the future

I was excited when I found out Hamilton was going to get an LRT. I am much less excited when I found out Hamilton might not.

An LRT will go a long way to removing the negative stigma associated with Hamilton.

James Michener  
[REDACTED]

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** michaelbrunorinaldi@metrolinx.com  
**Sent:** May-24-16 6:26 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** look to the future

I 100% support LRT, it is time to build!

I lived through this in Vancouver with the Skytrain debate, it went through in spite of noisy opposition and fear, and the final result is undeniably positive on all fronts.

Please don't take backwards steps, this is the best time for a project like this and it has already been approved! Let's continue moving forward!!

Michael Rinaldi  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** jordioverend [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-26-16 6:04 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeiDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** look to the future

Please. I live on the mountain and we all need this. I encourage everyone to reaffirm their commitment to this project!

George Overend  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** Berrafati [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-27-16 5:21 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-gp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeIDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** look to the future

Big supporter of Lrt.

Angelo Berrafati

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**From:** hshen1972@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-13-16 8:53 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Look at the BENEFITS of LRT to the city of Hamilton

If the newer generation, professionals, attract more professional into the city, need to have a reason to stay in Hamilton and enjoy the city without eventually consider leaving. LRT is a important element, it also is a powerful check mark for invesrors of all kinds to invest in Hamilton. Just go investigate all the LRT that had been built across Canada and the benefits of growing a better city. LRT is a long term gain with perspective. It is a MUST if city of Hamilton need to have positive grow.

Hubert Shen  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Haggerwoody [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-18-16 9:23 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeeck, Arlene; Pasufa, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Long term transit plan

A city as major as Hamilton deserves to have an lrt line as part of its transit network.  
Don't squander a good opportunity.

Jason Haggerty  
Kirkendall

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**From:** Joshua [medardus [REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** May-26-16 10:34 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Merulla, Sam; Skelly, Donna  
**Cc:** sarahwpoljanski@gmail.com; Matt Jelly - In the Neighborhood; Gord Bowes  
**Subject:** Light-Rail Transit: 15 June General Issues Ctte's Notice of Motion

Mayor Eisenberger, Councillors Merulla and Skelly:

Good evening. I hope this finds you well. My name's Joshua Weresch. My wife, son, daughters, and I are residents of Centremount in Ward 7.

I'm writing in regards to the recent articles, LRT gets cold reception at neighbourhood meeting, and, Merulla continues to drive LRT motion, both published in the Hamilton Mountain News on Thursday, May 26, 2016.

Despite the fact that most of the forty or so people put up their hands opposing LRT at the inaugural Balfour-Hill Park neighbourhood association meeting, I would like to go on record as a resident of Councillor Skelly's ward who is deeply in favour of light-rail transit. The possibility of public transit that is more environmentally sustainable than buses that run on natural gas is encouraging, especially as Hamilton has had, historically, challenges with air pollution and I would like to leave a cleaner world for my children. I would also support the mayor's statement that buses from down-town be re-deployed up-town whilst the corridor is being built down-town; this would help Mountain bus service, though the best ways to help transit service is to abolish area rating, supporting a city-wide transit system, and directing the entire federal gasoline tax revenue toward public transit instead of the 10% of the revenue that is currently given.

On the 15th of June, though I know I can count on both the mayor and Councillor Merulla's support, I would ask that Councillor Skelly vote in favour of light-rail transit. Thank you for your time and attention in these regards.

Kindly,  
Joshua Weresch  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carolyn Kinsley [kinsley@██████████]  
**Sent:** May-17-16 7:00 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug  
**Subject:** Light Rail Transit  
**Attachments:** 2016.5.17 To Council in Support of LRT.doc

Please find below and attached our letter in support of light rail transit.



**Ainslie Wood/Westdale Community Association**  
*of Resident Homeowners Inc.*  
1063 King Street West  
Suite 221  
Hamilton, Ontario L8S 4H2  
awwca.ca

May 17, 2016

Mayor Fred Eisenberg  
Members of Hamilton City Council:

Despite concerns about major disruption along the path of construction and the possibility of escalating costs, the Ainslie Wood/Westdale Community Association supports light rail transit for the City of Hamilton. Every year demand on our arterial roads in West Hamilton is getting worse. Bus transit cannot meet it even now.

Light rail transit can handle more riders than buses while being cleaner for the environment, quieter, smoother, more comfortable, faster, and costing less to maintain. To draw drivers out of their cars, we desperately need to make public transit attractive. Displaced buses and drivers could then be moved to underserved areas of the city to increase areas covered and frequency and to include weekends.

It would be incredibly backward looking to turn down \$1-billion in job creation and infrastructure money for this project. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to modernize Hamilton's transit, and it needs to be modernized to keep up with this changing city.

Sincerely yours,

The Board of the AWWCA

Paparella, Stephanie

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**From:** Bruce Horsley [brh@██████████]  
**Sent:** May-16-16 9:23 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Ferguson, Lloyd  
**Subject:** Light Rail Transit Decision

Mayor Fred Eisenberger and Lloyd Ferguson

Re Light Rail Transit Decision for Hamilton

On May 16 I had a long ride to work caused by a traffic accident on the 403 from Ancaster to Hamilton followed up by difficulty parking at 20 Jackson Street West because of a movie shoot and because of the underground parkers at 25 Main St W. building being displaced by building construction.

I then thought of the problems with the potential LRT system coming to Hamilton during the many year construction period and afterwards the difficulty in driving in downtown Hamilton and my non Hamilton clients being able to access my office for meetings. I own my business and can move the business and jobs elsewhere. As a renter of commercial space we pay fairly high property taxes. As a professional services firm we pay higher salaries than the average. There are other professional businesses that depend on my purchases of their services.

I am fairly certain if LRT is planned for Hamilton then I will have no choice other than to take my jobs and property taxes elsewhere.

Please consider there are many more professional service firms like myself facing the same inevitable future.

Could you please take this into consideration when planning for the LRT in Hamilton using my tax dollars paid to Ontario.

Bruce R. Horsley CPA, CA, CBV, CFF  
Horsley & Associates Inc.  
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**From:** chrischarleshunt@  
**Sent:** May-10-16 11:07 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Light rail MUST proceed

The light rail project MUST proceed. Hamilton is going to be left behind BADLY if it doesn't.

Needless to say, its effectiveness will depend on how efficiently the bus system ties into the rail lines, with hassle-free transfers. (The Toronto system owes its success to this.) If LRT and the HSR buses are thought of as two different systems, that will be fatal.

Christopher Hunt  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Notovogons [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-20-16 9:36 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwyne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Light rail is the obvious choice.

The case for light rail in Hamilton is an obvious one. It makes sense fiscally, socially and ethically. It will be good for people across the whole city. Those Councillors now attempting to muddy the waters ought to be ashamed of themselves. It is the height of irresponsibility, and a divorce from their duties as representatives of this city. To squander this opportunity would be a mistake our city will regret for generations.

Please see sense, as soon as possible.

Tanya Ritchie  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** Hamilton Guesthouse [hamilton.gue ]  
**Sent:** May-31-16 4:06 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Conley, Doug; Whitehead, Terry; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi  
**Cc:** info@hamiltonlightrail.ca  
**Subject:** Support for LRT downtown

Dear Councillors and Mr Mayor,

We are writing to express our enthusiastic and unequivocal support for the proposed LRT in Hamilton.

Many - indeed most - of our guests arrive in Hamilton by public transportation. Generally their first steps into our city are from the Hunter Street GO station. Sometimes, they take the A-Line straight down from the Hamilton airport.

They come in their hundreds every month, from every part of the world. They come for business and for pleasure. They navigate every part of the city - not just the downtown - usually by public transit and bike, and on foot.

The LRT would make their stay in Hamilton so much easier to navigate. It would make their journeys quicker so they can spend more time enjoying their visit, and less time consulting a map!

We are looking forward to a day (in the not too distant future) when a tourist from France, a student from Brazil, a business person from Jordan, can take the LRT wherever they need to go.

The B-Line and James Street spur are the first steps to an exciting future for our city. Please help it to come about.

Yours most sincerely,

Tim and Tanya Ritchie  
Owners - Hamilton Guesthouse

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[www.hamiltonguesthouse.ca](http://www.hamiltonguesthouse.ca)

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**From:** jkerim1@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** June-15-16 12:54 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwyne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-q@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Light Rail and Urban Revitalization

Building a light rail tramway would be of major benefit to the city of Hamilton.

I understand there may be some opposition to building the tramway, however the long term benefits of building it would be of great value.

The low floor trams can carry far more people than any other kind of transit or road vehicle.

Building the tramway will also help attract real estate and commercial development. Since the 1980s there has been a loss of jobs from the industry in the north end. I have witnessed the poverty situation of downtown Hamilton worsen since the early 1990s when I originally lived in the city.

Downtown Hamilton and downtown Toronto are also probably negatively affected by having both built the large modernist downtown malls that were both built in both cities, that being the Eaton Centre and Jackson Square. It is likely that demolishing these malls and putting back what was once there could help further for both cities with helping heal the urban fabric of both cities, but of course that is a subject matter off topic from the Light Rail issue being discussed here.

The light rail plan is definitely far greater than the previously proposed Hamilton Wentworth Rapid Transit proposal from 1981 or the GO ALRT inter regional rapid transit proposal from 1982. The light rail tracks will run along the street, there would be no disruptive elevated guideway of any sort.

It is important that work start soon. There is some chance that a new provincial government will be elected soon. If it is an Ontario PC provincial government they may move to terminate funding for the light rail project. That would be not good for the city's future.

I support the city's plan for the B Line Light Rail line and any further planned routes or light rail expansion. It is an investment in the city's future, one that will surely modernize the city further in what is now more of a post industrial era for the city of Hamilton.

- Jordan Kerim

Jordan Kerim  
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**From:** johns@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** June-16-16 5:50 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mtg.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Light Rail, a vehicle for changing our city

Light Rail is a change agent for Hamilton. It will take our city from being an industrial backwater into a city where people want to live.... not just exist. Time to work together.

John Stockton  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** danmacintyre1@ [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-17-16 11:01 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Lifetimes politicians and their follies

The lack of leadership on the part of those city councillors responsible for this mess is baffling.

The only thing more devastating than the negative impact losing this investment would have on this city is the dog and pony show put on by this particular group of imbeciles that has further damaged Hamilton's reputation on a provincial scale.

Shame on you.

Dan MacIntyre  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Valerie Webster [valeriew@rahb.ca]  
**Sent:** June-09-16 8:57 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** Letter of Support for LRT  
**Attachments:** RAHB support for LRT - June 8.docx

Dear Mayor Eisenberger,

Attached is a letter outlining the REALTORS® Association of Hamilton-Burlington's continued support for the LRT. We are urging Council to reaffirm their commitment to the LRT and Hamilton's future.

The print copy of the letter will follow via Canada Post.

Best regards,

**Valerie Webster**  
**Communications Coordinator**  
**REALTORS® Association of Hamilton-Burlington**  
505 York Blvd., Hamilton, ON L8R 3K4  
T: 905.529. 8101 x294  
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**From:** Laura@  
**Sent:** May-17-16 1:32 PM  
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**Subject:** Let's work together t

Hamilton needs LRT to attract additional investment and be competitive. No LRT means no MONEY - so let's not fear the difficult process and work together to achieve LRT benefits for the whole city.

Laura Babcock

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**From:** hans.stief [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-17-16 9:20 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Lets Support LRT as one united city!

This investment in LRT will prove to be instrumental in Hamilton's Economic Development moving forward. It will provide safe, reliable transit options for people in all stages/statuses of life. As a father of twins, i feel that this investment is critical for the future of our city for people from all walks of life.  
I fully support this project and trust our politicians will make the right decision.

Hans Stief  
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**From:** matt\_pinder [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-24-16 6:27 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mtg.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's Start City-Building with LRT!

I wholeheartedly support the construction of the Hamilton LRT project, for the following reasons:

- Permanent, quality transportation infrastructure that will meet the needs of residents for years to come
- The opportunity to reduce trips taken by car in the city, something that is imperative as we move to meet ambitious climate targets
- The influx of intensification that will occur along the corridor as a result, which will help the city meet the newly established GTHA intensification requirements of 60%
- The profound impact this project will have on the pedestrian environment downtown, creating walkable neighbourhoods and safe street crossings

I hope council makes the right choice tomorrow and accepts this one-in-a-generation offer from the province. Brampton turned down their LRT and has become the laughing stock of the GTHA as a result - let's not make Hamilton the next embarrassment.

Matt Pinder  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** Matthew Pinder [matt\_pinder@hamilton.on.ca]  
**Sent:** May-17-16 7:57 AM  
**To:** Farr, Jason; Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** Support for Hamilton LRT

Hi Mr. Mayor and Councillor Farr,

I wholeheartedly support the construction of the Hamilton LRT project, for the following reasons:

- Permanent, quality transportation infrastructure that will meet the needs of residents for years to come
- The opportunity to reduce trips taken by car in the city, something that is imperative as we move to meet ambitious climate targets
- The influx of intensification that will occur along the corridor as a result, which will help the city meet the newly established GTHA intensification requirements of 60%
- The *profound impact* this project will have on the pedestrian environment downtown, creating walkable neighbourhoods and safe street crossings

I hope council makes the right choice tomorrow and accepts this one-in-a-generation offer from the province. Brampton turned down their LRT and has become the laughing stock of the GTHA as a result – let's not make Hamilton the next embarrassment.

Sincerely,

Matt Pinder  
Ward 2 Resident

**Paparella, Stephanie**

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**From:** Chris.lucas [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** July-28-16 6:13 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mtg.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's start building a better hamilton

Hamilton needs this opportunity to solidify the momentum it has recently received!

This project is fully funded we would be crazy to turn this down!

Let's get on and rebuild hamilton!

Chris Lucas  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** candyvenning [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-12-16 2:43 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwyne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's Ride Together (LRT)

I want to live in a city that invests in infrastructure, a good quality of life and great transportation options.

I don't want to live in a city that constantly looks backwards and fights against progress, creates a two tier systems with the private individual in their private cars as the top tier.

Let's Ride Together (LRT) Hamilton!

Candy Venning  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sara [sara1737 [REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** May-26-16 10:15 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor  
**Subject:** Let's proceed with the LRT!

Dear Mayor,

I was shocked to find out that Hamilton City Council will be voting again on whether to proceed with the LRT at this stage of the project after years of planning and voting in favour of the LRT. I live on the West Mountain, however at the beginning of this year I purchased an additional investment property in Hamilton close to a proposed LRT stop based on my understanding that the city would be proceeding with the LRT. This is because I know that the LRT will generate economic growth and so I felt confident in my investment. But now there is uncertainty, even though the decision to proceed with the LRT was already presented to the public as a done deal. The economic growth that will come from the LRT will benefit all of Hamilton and push this city forward. I think a lot of investors will pull out of Hamilton if we do not proceed with the LRT and that is extremely worrisome and sad because I believe Hamilton has great potential which has yet to be recognized. I do not want to lose out on this rare opportunity for such significant funding from the province. I find it almost laughable that this decision is being revisited. I implore you to do whatever is in your power to please move forward and do the right thing for our city's future. Vote YES on proceeding with the LRT!

I would also like to know your thoughts on the matter, and to understand the logic behind re-voting on the LRT when a decision was already made. Lastly, I would like to get information on what else I can do to advocate for the LRT.

Thank you kindly,

Sara Daneshvar

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** jancar65@ [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-11-16 1:42 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's plan for the future!!!

I fully support the LRT in Hamilton. It's about time we had a little forward thinking in this community.

Janice Carson  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** derekh [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-20-16 6:13 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's not make the same mistakes that other cities have.

Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

Please do everything you can to make sure that the LRT plan is approved and moves toward completion as soon as possible. Please do let Hamilton make the mistakes that other cities have made not planning ahead and creating a transit system before the city gets developed in a very dense way. The time to build transit is now, when there is an opportunity, and not later when it is much more difficult and expensive.  
Thank you.

Derek Hrynyshyn  
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**From:** Ddaaffnnaa [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-20-16 9:35 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Lets move forward not backwards

Looking in all the world advanced and successful cities, they all have a subway or lrt system. Not only that all these cities get more businesses around the lrt areas. We all know traffic gets worse every year in everywhere. In 20 years hamilton will be like toronto today, but may be without lrt. This will be disaster and will cause many bankruptcies...

I understand the concern to businesse but they will not do well if no lrt in the future... The traffic we will experience with lrt building will be way less than what expecting us in 20 years, also 1 billion takes a huge burden off..

So stop being picky on every detail, we are being offered so many good offers that other cities accept and develop it is about time to accept to develop too.. I am a ready citizen, and i also live and drive at lrt areas daily to work i am ready for traffic... As it is important for the city,s future....

Dafna Bener

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**From:** alexanderparkinson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** July-27-16 8:43 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's move forward (trains don't go in reverse)

This is a no brainer. Build this LRT.

We moved to Hamilton about a year ago - I'm an engineer, she's a researcher - and one of the things we loved about it the most is living downtown, walking where we need to go and biking where we want to.

I have to own a car for my (painfully long) commute. I hate owning a car, but it's worth because it allows me to live here. Once I get home, the car goes away and the feet/pedals go on. Give us an LRT to continue the magnificent car-less revolution of this magnificent city.

Alex Parkinson  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** info@[redacted]  
**Sent:** May-25-16 1:43 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Lets make this happen!

Being an #Uptown resident, commercial & residential owner and small business propieter I am in FULL support of all development, growth, sustainability and overall progressive change for this city. It is very unfortunate that we (our ward) elected someone who may have a different vision. I at no time have given council NO for an answer on LRT. I believe that overall change in our current transit system can only be a Benifit to all residents of this city. My only concern with transit is that our #Uptown councillors don't make it an even better system on the mountain and look at even more accessibility options around the city.

My experience living in Calgary was that LRT created this amazing corridor of commerce as well as quick, reliable transit through the downtown core. I used it daily for work and leisure.

Let's make this happen HamIlton!

Leo Santos  
[redacted]

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**From:** Rstrik@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-17-16 10:21 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeeck, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's keep the LRT!

As a proud Hamilton citizen for the last 13 years, I've been so impressed with the positive changes and growth that I've seen in this city. The LRT will be one of these positive changes, allowing us to take more cars off our streets, increase density in our core, and make Hamilton more accessible. Please keep the LRT!

Rachel Cook  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** me@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-20-16 3:26 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's hope this old broad is wrong

I had drinks last month with an 87 year old friend of the family who has lived in Hamilton her entire life. Both her boys are living and loving successfully in Toronto. When I was telling her about the LRT (which will run right by her house near Scott Park) she shook her head, tapped her cigarette and said ''It won't happen. Hamilton is and always will be a small-minded city.'' Let's prove this wise old broad wrong, shall we!

Reg Beaudry

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**From:** Jabey7@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-12-16 6:13 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DeIDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's get the LRT built

A healthy city core requires proper city transit for all of Hamilton to benefit. Please ensure the LRT and funding to support Hamilton is embraced. It would be an enormous shame and detriment to Hamilton to bicker away this funding.

Janet Booy

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**From:** vjlouter@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-10-16 11:09 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's get on board!

An LRT system in Hamilton will help to build a stronger and more integrated city as all residents have better access to all parts of the city. The province is on-board and we need to keep moving forward. It's time to move our transit system into this century!

Valerie Louter  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** thomas.cassidy1 [redacted]  
**Sent:** May-17-16 1:32 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** let's get LRT moving

Good morning!

I am writing to express support for the LRT project in Hamilton. This project would be a huge step forward for someone like me who doesn't own a car and likes to cycle and take public transit.

I am a bit concerned and disappointed to see the vote split so far between downtown and suburban councillors. It feels unfair to support highways up Red Hill Creek and into Flamborough but then deny investment in the downtown areas.

Thomas Cassidy  
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**From:** thomaslorini [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** June-02-16 9:30 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Lets get it done! Yes for LRT

As a long time investor, owning several properties in the City of Hamilton, and paying taxes on each one I give my FULL support in pushing forward with the LRT. Its a long-time coming with far too much politicizing...the LRT will not only greatly improve the transportation across the city core but reduces pollution and modernizes the landscape. Now is the time for LRT. Lets get it done!

Thomas Lorini  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** chris.lucas@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** June-10-16 6:02 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** lets get building

Just get on a built it as funded!@

Chris Lucas  
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**From:** mgm8754 [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-18-16 2:49 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeeck, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Let's Do This !

LRT provides a great move forward. Let us not be left behind.

Mike Murphy

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**From:** sicklyfiction( [REDACTED])  
**Sent:** May-24-16 6:24 AM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mtg.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeeKin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Lets build this together!

I am 100% supportive of the LRT! I have lived in the lower city since 1997, first on King at Ferguson, now on Main W.

I welcome changes and will still support businesses along the LRT route, during and after construction.

Daniel Dunham  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** musical.brown@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** May-17-16 2:31 PM  
**To:** Office of the Mayor; Johnson, Aidan; Farr, Jason; Green, Matthew; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Skelly, Donna; Whitehead, Terry; Conley, Doug; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; VanderBeek, Arlene; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; kwynne.mpp@liberal.ola.org; Minister.MTO@Ontario.ca; minister@mto.gov.on.ca; Chair@metrolinx.com; CEO@metrolinx.com; john.howe@metrolinx.com; jack.collins@metrolinx.com; HSR Customer Service; Ted McMeekin, MPP; Andrea Horwath, MPP; pmiller-qp@ndp.on.ca; rkoroscil@flyhi.ca; moniquetaylor@ontariondp.ca; Dixon, David; Murray, Chris; Steven.DelDuca@Ontario.ca; Kelsey.Ewart@metrolinx.com; Anderson, Kelly; Johnson, Paul; Andrew.Hope@metrolinx.com  
**Subject:** Lets build a real City!!

Please make this happen!! We have the funding and made all the necessary plans and time to initiate this potential growth.

We (Hamilton) always "talk" about being a great city, take a look at what the rest of Canada's great cities have.. (Edmonton, Calgary, Ottawa and Toronto). They have a LRT system in place because they know it develops growth and opportunity. We (Hamilton) have an opportunity and in a position to really make a difference and show the rest of Canada that we're not just steel town anymore.

I want to start being labeled as Steel "City", not town!!

Wake up people!!

Michael Brown  
[REDACTED]