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Subject:

LRT. Have your voice heard!

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Subject: Re: LRT. Have your voice heard!

Dear Councillor Whitehead,

I urge you and city council to continue with your plan to build the LRT in Hamilton. That's my simple request.

Before saying more, I would like to thank you for your email asking me to make my concerns heard about the LRT and also your call to action in the Mountain News.

I am a resident on Hamilton Mountain, a senior, a car driver and a proud citizen of the City of Hamilton. I firmly believe in good public transit. I often go downtown and believe in a vibrant city core.

Regarding the LRT, I have been following the issue for years in the Spectator, Mountain News and on 900 CHML.

I know there are serious concerns about the LRT - the long period of construction disruption and the effects on business owners and the changes to traffic flow. I wonder about the decision-making process and the role of the Province and Metrolinx. Now that the James St spur is nixed, I think the original plan to Eastgate Square should be re-instated leaving the B-Line for another day when it can be well researched. I wonder why the the LRT route doesn't go down Main Street or why Main Street doesn't become two-way when traffic on King Street is diminished by the LRT.

Given all those concerns, none are a reason to stop the project. The project is an important step in the transit plan for Hamilton and Hamilton's revitalization. Weighing everything I have read in the Spec or heard on CHML, I have come to the conclusion that the benefits out-weigh the negatives.

So please continue your commitment to build the LRT for our future generations.

Sincerely, Tom Ciancone

honour their commitments, remember their strategic vision for the city, and allow the LRT plan to move forward.

On 2017-03-20 14:50, Whitehead, Terry wrote:

Good afternoon,

Do you have concerns about the LRT in Hamilton? If so, please click <u>here</u> if you would like to apply for delegation status at the next <u>LRT General Issues Committee on March 28th, 2017</u> and have your voice heard.

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Thank you for your time and I encourage your engagement in the issues affecting YOU.

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