

Committee of the Whole (2) Report

DATE: Tuesday, April 14, 2026

WARD(S): 5

TITLE: YONGE NORTH SUBWAY EXTENSION TRACTION POWER
SUBSTATION (TPSS) BUILDING IN VICINITY OF ROYAL
ORCHARD AND YONGE STREET (TRANSMITTAL REPORT)

FROM:

Heritage Vaughan Committee

ACTION: DECISION

Purpose

To forward recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 25, 2026 and seek Council's approval for the proposed Yonge North Subway Extension Traction Power Substation (TPSS) proposed at 7994 Yonge St., located within the Thornhill Heritage Conservation District, under Section 41, Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act and receive delegated authority for staff to execute and finalize related approvals and agreements.

Report Highlights

- In accordance with Section 8.1 of Procedure By-law 001-2026, recommendations from Advisory Committees requiring implementation, expenditures, reports or staff actions must be approved by Council before any action is taken.
- This is a transmittal report from the City Clerk forwarding recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee for consideration by Committee of the Whole and to seek Council's approval.

Recommendations

The Heritage Vaughan Committee forwards the following recommendations from its meeting of March 25, 2026 (Item 2, Report No. 3), for consideration by Committee of the Whole:

1. That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Infrastructure Development, dated March 25, 2026, be approved.

Recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Infrastructure Development dated March 25, 2026:

That Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed designation as presented, subject to the following conditions:

1. That Council approves the Traction Power Substation (TPSS) conceptual design in principle.
2. That Council gives delegated authority to Senior Manager of Urban Design and Cultural Heritage to review and approve any demolition, site alteration and new construction related to Royal Orchard station until such time as Metrolinx acquires ownership of the property(ies).
3. That Council gives delegated authority to the Deputy City Manager of Planning and Infrastructure Development to enter into a Municipal Heritage Process Exemption Agreement with Metrolinx for Royal Orchard related infrastructure when the Metrolinx becomes the owner of the related property(ies).

Background

At its meeting on March 25, 2026, the Heritage Vaughan Committee considered a staff recommendation on the subject matter (Attachment 1 – Report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Infrastructure Development dated March 25, 2026).

Previous Reports/Authority

N/A

Analysis and Options

Recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 25, 2026, are being presented for consideration by Committee of the Whole. Council approval is required for these recommendations to take effect.

Financial Impact

N/A

Operational Impact

N/A

Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations

N/A

Conclusion

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For more information, please contact Todd Coles, City Clerk, extension 8281

Attachments

1. Report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Infrastructure Development, dated March 25, 2026.

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