

MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Council Report

DATE: Tuesday, January 25, 2022

TITLE: 2021 UPDATE – YORK REGION TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS – LANGSTAFF ROAD FROM WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 7 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY

FROM:

Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco

Whereas, York Region has now completed and issued the Notice of Completion on January 13, 2022, for the Langstaff Road from Weston Road to Highway 7 Environmental Assessment Study ("EA Study") and recommends the widening of Langstaff Road to six lanes between Weston Road and Dufferin Street, providing sidewalks and cycle tracks on Langstaff Road from Weston Road to Highway 7, extending the future connection from Keele Street to Creditstone Road, across the CN MacMillan Rail Yard and grade separation of the road and rails at the Metrolinx GO Barrie Line; and

Whereas, through the EA Study process it was recommended that improvements associated with the Highway 400/Langstaff Road interchange are subject to a future highway corridor study; and

Whereas, the City's Official Plan 2010, Transportation Master Plan - A New Path 2012 and Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Secondary Plan, as well as York Region's Transportation Master Plan, identify Langstaff Road improvements, including the provision of a full interchange at Highway 400 and a connection between Keele Street and Creditstone Road as essential and as part of the broader Vaughan Metropolitan Centre road network, therefore establishing alternative truck routes as part of a comprehensive strategy for the area; and *Whereas*, the Langstaff Road EA identified that the detailed design and construction of the Langstaff Road improvements may take place in multiple phases given the scale of the project and Regional Council funding priorities.

It is therefore recommended:

- 1. That York Region staff, in moving the project forward, develop an implementation plan and funding strategy, including the following considerations:
 - a. Exploring funding opportunities specific to the Langstaff Road extension missing link segment overpass bridge structure over the CN MacMillan Yard; and
 - Leveraging momentum and building on agency consultation with CN through the EA Study process in initiating and advancing preliminary design for the Langstaff Road extension missing link segment overpass structure over the CN MacMillan Yard as part of implementation plan; and
 - c. Leveraging momentum and building on agency consultation with the Ministry of Transportation through the EA Study process in identifying a process and studies for improvements in relation to Highway 400 interchange improvements; and
- 2. That the Mayor write a letter in this regard to the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Minister of the Transportation Ontario, the Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure Ontario, the Hon. Omar Alghabra, Minister of Transport, the Hon. Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities, requesting that they support York Region in developing an implementation plan and funding strategy; and
- 3. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all local area MPs, MPPs and the Region of York.

Attachments

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