



## TRANSIT AND PARKING MEMORANDUM

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**TO: MAYOR J. LEHMAN AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

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**NOTED: B. FORSYTH, DIRECTOR OF TRANSIT AND PARKING STRATEGY**  
**R. JAMES-REID, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ACCESS BARRIE**  
**M. PROWSE, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

**RE: ALLANDALE HUB STRATEGY UPDATE**

**DATE: MAY 6, 2019**

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The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide members of Council with an update on the Allandale Hub Strategy.

In 2018, staff completed the Allandale Hub Feasibility Study at the request of Council(motion 17-G-325). On June 18, 2018 the results of the study were presented within Staff Report TPS003-18 and adopted by Council(motion 18-G-143) with the following recommendations:

- 1. That functional design Concept C for the functional design as set out in the Allandale Mobility Hub Feasibility Study be endorsed in principle, subject to future capital prioritization and approvals.*
- 2. That staff be delegated authority to apply for funding under the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF) program or any other available funding program for the Allandale Hub, and if possible partner with Metrolinx on the submission of the application.*
- 3. That Scenario 2 for the transit service and scheduling as set out in the Allandale Mobility Hub Feasibility Study, be endorsed in principle, so that subject to the capital project advancing, staff undertake the modifications to the transit route system based on the general parameters in Scenario 2 and report back to General Committee prior to any route changes.*

Staff expected details regarding PTIF Phase II in the months following the approval in principle of the Allandale Hub Feasibility Study. Project advancement was difficult, as under the previous PTIF funding program any projects that were approved by the municipality would be ineligible for the forthcoming provincial and federal funding.

On Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019, the governments of Canada and Ontario released details regarding the public transit funding stream of the larger Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP). Details of the program have been presented to General Committee under Staff Report TPS004-19. The ICIP program has replaced the previous version of transit funding known as the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF) and is governed by the Integrated Bilateral Agreement for Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program between the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario that was signed on March 26, 2018(the "Bilateral Agreement").

One of the main commitments under the Bilateral Agreement is that funding received under this Agreement cannot displace municipal spending on public transit. Clarification from the provincial government has been provided, and it is understood that if a project and corresponding funding has previously been approved at a municipal level than the project would be ineligible to received ICIP funding.



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On January 21 2019 Council directed staff to develop a strategy to advance the project, as per motion 19-G-016:

*“That staff in the Finance, Corporate Facilities Department and the Transit and Parking Strategy Departments develop a strategy to advance the Allandale Transit Hub and report to the City Building Committee.”*

Staff from various internal departments have met to discuss a preliminary timeline and the various studies required. The results of this meeting led to three phases as outlined below:

### Phase I: Planning Review Process

Below is an initial list of anticipated studies, however further internal stakeholder meetings are taking place to ensure a complete list of the required planning documents are being developed. Staff are planning to undertake any required pending study/report to expedite the project ahead of Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program(ICIP) funding approval while ensuring the risk of the funding allocation is not in jeopardy by advancing those studies.

Study	Status	Note
Archaeology Study	Complete – May 2018	
Geotechnical Study	Complete – April 2010	May be satisfied within the Allandale Station Lands Final Phase II Environmental Site Assessment
Traffic Impact Study	Complete – May 2018	Completed within the Allandale Mobility Hub Feasibility Study
Environmental Impact Study	Complete – April 2010	May be satisfied within the Allandale Station Lands Final Phase II Environmental Site Assessment
Urban Design Report	Pending	
Stormwater Management Report	Pending	
Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Review and Report	Pending	

### Phase II: Design Development

It is expected that the procurement process and project work for the design of the facility will be completed by a consultant and would commence following the approval of the ICIP funding.

### Phase III: Construction

Following the completion of the design of the facility, the construction phase, including procurement will commence.

Staff will be submitting an application for the Allandale Hub under ICIP and will be reporting back to Council following notification on whether the project was successful. At that time staff will provide Council with a status of the planning studies, while seeking Council endorsement on the project and corresponding funding prior to executing the Transfer Payment Agreement.