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Mayor Patrick Brown
The Corporation and City of Brampton
2 Wellington St
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Dear Mayor Brown and Members of Council,

RE: Queen St- Hwy 7 BRT Planning Study and Initial Business Case

Thank you for your letter dated February 19th 2020 outlining the City of Brampton's support for the Queen St- Hwy 7 BRT Planning Study and Initial Business Case (IBC). Metrolinx staff has been working in partnership with City of Brampton, York Region, and Peel Region staff to complete a draft of this study, which is currently under review by all stakeholders, and expected to be finalized in the spring 2020.

The planning study and IBC identifies and integrates the transit infrastructure and supportive service requirements for three components of the Frequent Rapid Transit Network:

- Queen St BRT in the City of Brampton between Downtown Brampton and Hwy 50;
- Queen St Priority Bus in the City of Brampton between downtown Brampton and Mississauga Road; and
- Hwy 7 West BRT extension in the City of Vaughn and York Region between Helen St and Hwy 50

The overarching goal of the planning study and IBC is to ensure an integrated approach to project development across multiple jurisdictions and increasing connectivity and mobility across the region.

As you correctly mentioned, this project is currently in the IBC phase. Metrolinx is currently reviewing the document, and subject to approval will move through the Metrolinx Business Case Framework into the Preliminary Design phase, which will include a Preliminary Design Business Case.

Metrolinx will seek a commitment from the City and the Region to contribute to the preliminary design stage of the project.

Metrolinx has developed a strong relationship with the City of Brampton, Brampton Transit, York Region, and Peel Region in developing the Queen St- Hwy 7 BRT Planning Study and Initial Business Case and we appreciate the commitment from the City of Brampton to support the project in a future phase of work. The Metrolinx board will direct staff to work with the City and the Region on preparing next steps.

Sincerely,

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