



# Consultative Committee

## Minutes

**Date:** June 7, 2022

**Location:** Virtually, Microsoft Teams

**Chair:** Lorrie McKee, Director, Public Affairs & Stakeholder Relations

**Attendees:** Brad Butt, Mississauga Board of Trade  
John Davidson, Regional Municipality of Halton  
Chris Fonseca, Councillor, City of Mississauga  
Aylin Lusi, Toronto Region Board of Trade  
Trevor McPherson, Mississauga Board of Trade  
Savik Ramkay, Seneca Collage  
Shane Rayman, City of Toronto resident  
Sabbir Saiyed, Peel Region  
Badar R. Shamim, Brampton Board of Trade  
Darrel Shipp, City of Mississauga resident  
Steven Tufts, Brampton Mississauga & District Labour Council  
Jonathan Wheatle, Region of York

**Regrets:** Brad Bradford, Councillor, City of Toronto  
Avery Campbell, Association of Canadian Travel Agencies (ACTA) Ontario  
Simon Gill, Region of Durham  
Oscar Rodriguez, City of Brampton resident  
Harkirat Singh, Councillor, City of Brampton

**Resource Members:** Suzanne Acton-Gervias, NACC  
Alessandra Bianchi, Ministry of Transportation  
Amanda Chum, Transport Canada  
Walter Garrison, City of Mississauga (alternate)  
Paul Aldunate, City of Brampton

**Resource Members Absent:** Harold Dremin, City of Mississauga  
Caroline Polgrabia, Ministry of Tourism

**Also in Attendance** Ingrid Pringle, Management Assistant, GTAA  
Eileen Waechter, Director, Corporate Relations and Strategic Partnerships, GTAA  
Greg Owen, Associate Director, Government Agency Programs Airport Operations s, GTAA  
Atul Sharma, Manager, Government Affairs and Stakeholder Relations, GTAA  
Fares Khouri, Coordinator, Public Affairs and Stakeholder Relations, GTAA  
Jeffrey Pereira, Senior Policy Advisor, Ministry of Transportation  
Christopher Brodtkin, Manager/Senior Policy Advisor, Transport Canada  
Ivan Battye, Durham Region community resident

| Item       | Details   |
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| <b>1.0</b> | <b>PRELIMINARY ITEMS</b>  |
| <b>1.1</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome and roll call conducted by Lorrie McKee.</li></ul>  |
| <b>1.2</b> | Review and approval of June 7, 2022, agenda as amended – moved B Butt, seconded C. Fonseca. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Title of first presentation changed to:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Toronto Pearson Update – The Challenge with Federal Agency Resourcing &amp; Processing Due to Ongoing Health Measures.</b></li></ul></li><li>• Title of second presentation changed to:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Discovery Around Why Pearson Matters</b></li></ul></li></ul>  |
| <b>1.3</b> | Review and approval of March 22, 2022, minutes – moved T. McPherson, seconded C. Fonseca.   |
| <b>1.4</b> | <b>Matters Arising from Previous Meeting – March 22, 2022.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stuart Bricknell to provide the estimated person hours for the runway rehabilitation project<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Estimated person hours for the runway rehabilitation project provided to members via email on March 23, 2022</li></ul></li><li>• Jonathan Wheatle to share link to York Region’s job portal.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Link to York Region’s job portal provided to CC members via email on March 23, 2022</li><li>○ Jonathan also provided links to the news release highlighting York Region’s investment in the expansion at VentureLABS and Site Selector Magazine article on York Region’s promotion of the Auto-tech Sector. These links were provided to members on March 23, 2022</li></ul></li></ul> |
| <b>2.0</b> | <b>REGULAR ITEMS</b>  |
| <b>2.1</b> | <b>GTAA Information Update.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• GTAA Information Update was made available at the meeting.</li><li>• Update can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</li></ul>  |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b>DISCUSSION ITEMS</b>   |
| <b>3.1</b> | <b>Toronto Pearson Update –The Challenge with Federal Agency Resourcing &amp; Processing Due to Ongoing Health Measures</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Greg Owen, Associate Director, Government Agency Programs, GTAA, and Atul Sharma, Manager, Government Affairs, Stakeholder Relations, GTAA, will provide an update on the challenge with federal agency resourcing &amp; processing due to the ongoing health measures.</li><li>• The presentation can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</li></ul>   |

### **3.2 Why Pearson Matters Update**

- Eileen Waechter, Director, Corporate Relations and Strategic Partnerships, GTAA, will provide an update on Why Pearson Matters.
- The presentation can be found [here](#).

#### **Action item**

- Link to Community Value Proposition Survey to be sent out to members
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### **4.0 MEMBERS UPDATE**

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- **Toronto Region Board of Trade - Aylin Lusi**

- Upcoming Toronto Region Board of Trade events; June 23<sup>rd</sup> annual luncheon with Mayor Tory, on June 24<sup>th</sup> release of the Green Ribbon Fund report and June 28<sup>th</sup> will be the Summer Social.

- **Mississauga Board of Trade – Brad Butt**

- Successful State of the City address by Mayor Crombie earlier today. Mayor Crombie provided several positive comments about Toronto Pearson and the importance of the airport to Mississauga's economy. Not many significant events scheduled for the summer.

- **City of Mississauga – Councillor Chris Fonseca**

- Great to see the GTAA at Mayor Crombie's address earlier today and stressing the importance of collaboration and coordination of everyone to ensure a strong economy and the airport's potential as a jobs creator. With the upcoming municipal elections in the fall, expect to see the GTAA present to the new Mississauga Council in the new term of Council. Thank you again to GTAA on the communications to residents on the status of the runway construction.

- **GTAA – Michael Mendel**

- An update on the runway rehabilitation project is scheduled for the end of June for the public. Annual nominator updates to City Councils will be delayed due to the municipal elections and will most likely take place after the election.

- **Transport Canada – Amanda Chum**

- Transport Canada will continue to work with CBSA, PHAC and CATSA to address bottlenecks being experienced at security screening and custom arrivals areas at airports.

- **Durham Region Resident – Ivan Battye**

- Oshawa airport is fundamentally dependent on the go ahead of Pickering Airport. In the GTAA's 2008 Master Plan it states that in 5 years a 10-year window will occur starting in 2013 and concluding in 2023. That points to the development of Pickering and full capacity of Toronto Pearson. No update from the GTAA on when the 6<sup>th</sup> runway is going to come to fruition and when it is going to have a conclusion. The region staff and the reason Oshawa is pushing its plan is due to the aviation sector analysis done by Transport Canada which states that the future airfield capacity is constrained by the current system and there are no plans to add an additional east west runway. This was reiterated by a board member a few years ago but a previous master plan, a few years before that, states that
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we will continue to protect the necessary land as detailed in our land use plans. Demand is indeed growing, and we expect additional airside capacity. If Pickering is to proceed, understanding that the Minister of Transport makes that decision, are you prepared to give all of Southern Ontario communities a more realistic set of estimates and dates for that possibility if it is to occur at all?

- **GTAA - Michael Mendel**
    - The GTAA has no plans currently for the addition 6th runway. Many aviation organizations and other airports are reconsidering what capacity looks like at airports due to the pandemic. Our focus is on responding to the pandemic and making sure we are on a sound financial and operation footing going forward.
  - **Transport Canada - Chis Brodtkin**
    - Pickering and the growth in the area is something that Transport Canada continues to look at and is an ongoing policy file for Transport Canada. The last study on this was the KPMG study that was done pre-pandemic.
  - **Region of Peel – Sabbir Saiyed**
    - Region of Peel will be preparing a Transportation Master Plan. This will be an update of the current long range transportation master plan and will start sometime in the fall and be completed by the end of 2023. On the goods movement side, we do have a number of Smart Freight Centre projects happening with universities. If interested, please reach out to the University of Toronto.
  - **NAAC – Suzanne Acton-Gervias**
    - NAAC and our member airlines are very eager to work with the GTAA and the Government of Canada to restore a seamless, predictable, and enjoyable experience for travellers. The road to recovery has not been easy but will improve. Canadians are eager to return to travel and we are eager to properly welcome international visitors coming to Canada.
  - **Labour Council – Steven Tufts**
    - The TAWC are pleased to both endorse and share in the success of the GTAA and their partners in navigating the difficulties over the last 18 months that COVID 19 created including unemployment, re-employment and skill shortage.. The \$1.6M in provincial Skills Development Funding is well deserved and hopefully will be put to good use. Labour shortages continue to plague several sectors at the airport. As recovery continues and workers are recalled, we are now at place and time where there are not enough workers to do the required work. Workers are still getting sick with COVID and are still expected to come to work. Several other sectors are also seeing an increase in employment including tourism related sectors, accommodation, food services, airline and transportation warehouses. Unions are opening collective agreements, at the request of the employers to increase the entry level wage to attract new workers. Processing of RAICs for airport workers are also affected due to lack of resources to process the applications.
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- **City of Mississauga – Walter Garrison**

- Partnered with another organization and hosted the Advanced Transportation Manufacturing Summit on May 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. The summit focused on aerospace, auto and defense manufacturing. 130 companies and 230 participants attended, and 10 countries were represented at the summit. Looking forward to hosting the event again in two years' time and partnering with the GTAA.

- **Region of York – Jonathan Wheatle**

- Region of York will be attending the Collision Conference on June 23, 2022, with our local and municipal economic development partners across the region and the Region will have a significant presence at the conference. There will be announcements about innovation and investments coming.

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**5.0 ADJOURNMENT:** meeting adjourned – **Next meeting – September 13, 2022**

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