

# Consultative Committee Minutes

**Date:** March 23, 2016

**Location:** GTAA Boardroom

Chair: Aleem Kanji, GTAA, Manager, Government Affairs & Stakeholder Relations

Attendees: Badar R. Shamim, Brampton Board of Trade

Anton Norbert, City of Brampton Resident

Sabbir Saiyed, Region of Peel

Jan Nevins, Mississauga Board of Trade

Steven Tufts, Brampton Mississauga & District Labour Council

Stephen Holyday, Councillor, City of Toronto Kathy Weiss, Region of Durham – on phone Savik Ramkay, Seneca College – on phone Lina Bigioni, Region of York – on phone

Shane Rayman, City of Toronto resident – on phone

**Regrets:** Lorrie McKee, GTAA

Carolyn Parrish, Councillor, City of Mississauga Vincent Crisanti, Councillor, City of Toronto Stephen Rose, City of Mississauga Resident

Gurpreet Dhillon, City of Brampton

John Davidson, The Regional Municipality of Halton

**Resource** Jeff Baines, City of Brampton **Members:** Sam Ghobrial, NAV Canada

Matthew Chu, Ministry of Tourism – on phone Susan Amring, City of Mississauga – on phone

GTAA: Mike Brown, Eileen Waechter, Cynthia Woods

**Resource** Bill Devlin, National Airlines Council of Canada

MembersPamela Laite, Tourism TorontoAbsent:Harold Dremin, City of Mississauga

Paul Steckman, Ministry of Transportation

Bonnie Brown, City of Mississauga

Also in

Attendance Ingrid Pringle, GTAA

Item Details

1.0 PRELIMINARY ITEMS

A. Kanji announced that this would be his last CC meeting. He has accepted
another opportunity outside of the GTAA. He expressed his thanks to everyone

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#### on the CC Committee for their contributions.

- Review and Approval of Agenda J. Nevins approved, none opposed.
- Review and Approval of October 21, 2015 Minutes minutes amended to reflect correction pointed out by S. Holyday
  - K. Weiss was absent at last meeting but offered to present an economic development update for Durham region at a future meeting
  - B. Shamim approved none opposed.

#### 1.4 Matters Arising from Previous Meeting – October 21, 2015.

No matters arising from previous minutes.

#### 2.0 REGULAR ITEMS

#### 2.1 GTAA Information Update (handout) was reviewed.

- Syrian flights have concluded. Through a team effort, Toronto Pearson has welcomed just over 13,000 Syrian refugees.
- Air Belguim still on track to begin services from Toronto Pearson.
- Transportation to the airport continues to be a priority for the GTAA.

#### 3.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### 3.1 Committee Survey Results

- Survey was building on items that we were not able to address in the 2015 calendar year as well as items of interest for future meetings.
- A. Kanji thanked everyone for completing the survey. 100% completion rate was achieved.
- Ground transportation, development of the mobility hub continues to be an important topic among members.
- Other items of importance to members are Toronto Pearson's regional airport study, labour and workforce demographics will be built into future agendas.
- Lesser items of interest included background on government agency procedures, customs and security, accessibility issues and health screening.
- Some interest in Toronto Pearson's Community Investment Program and Outreach. A presentation from our Community Relations department will be provided later during this meeting.

### 3.2 Ground Transportation/Mobility Hub – Update

- M. Brown presented an update on Toronto Pearson's vision for a ground transportation and mobility hub. Driving times for employees, passengers and cargo are getting longer and more unreliable. Toronto Pearson could be at 65 million passengers by early 2030. This would require more and better public transit. There is an opportunity to build a major ground access interchange at Toronto Pearson to include LRT, regional express rail and high speed rail.
- The full presentation can be found here.

#### 3.3 Overview on Community Investment Program

- C. Woods presented an overview of the Community Investment Program.
- Explained how money is leveraged in the community, i.e. Runway Run, Street Festival, Windows into Pearson.
- Community groups can apply on line for grant money.
- Donation globes in the Terminals encourage people to donate. Funds collected until March 31<sup>st</sup> will be used to provide Syrian refugees with transit passes.
- The full presentation can be found here.

#### 4.0 MEMBERS UPDATE

- Committee members reported on each of their areas.
- B. Shamim noted that they are seeing a lot of relevance for what GTAA is doing and what is being proposed to build a multi model hub. BBOT has recently held meetings with inbound delegations from Iraq and Ukraine.
- J. Nevins thanked Aleem for the recent presentation to the Mississauga Board of Trade. Recent trade missions to Peru and India were successful. MBOT is planning a trade mission to Portugal and Spain October 6 16.
- S. Saiyed noted undertaking a regional exercise in long range transport master planning to 2041. The Region is also working on a 5 year strategy plan from 2017 - 2022.
- S Holyday congratulated Toronto Pearson on the mobility hub planning report. And encouraged the airport to share it with the policy makers. Important part of the process.
- S. Tufts stated that he was pleased to be one of the signatories on the Airport Employment Zone letter to Executive Council.
- S. Amring stated she has found Aleem an incredible resource and great partner for Mississauga and he will be missed.
- M. Chu thanked Aleem for all his support to the committee. Advised that the
  Ministry of Tourism Culture and Sport notified a number of tourism stakeholders
  that are holding facilitated targeted engagement sessions related to the
  government's work in creating a strategic framework for tourism. Engagement
  sessions with parts of the industry were held in the late fall and early 2016.
  Sessions with targeted stakeholders will be now public. May be of interest to
  Boards of Trades to participate in these sessions.

## 5.0 ADJOURNMENT: The next Consultative Committee meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2016.

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