



Consultative Committee Minutes

Date: May 27, 2015

Location: GTAA Boardroom

Chair: Lorrie McKee, Director, Public Affairs and Stakeholder Relations

Attendees: Badar R. Shamim, Brampton Board of Trade
Gurpreet Dhillon, City of Brampton
Anton Norbert, City of Brampton Resident
Sabbir Saiyed, Region of Peel
John Davidson, The Regional Municipality of Halton
Jan Nevins, Mississauga Board of Trade
Steven Tufts, Brampton-Mississauga & District Labour Council
Stephen Rose, City of Mississauga Resident
Stephen Holyday, Councillor, City of Toronto
Shane Rayman, City of Toronto Resident
Heather Craig-Peddie, ACTA Ontario
Savik Ramkay, Seneca College
Doug Lindeblom – Region of York

Regrets: Vincent Crisanti, Councillor, City of Toronto
Kathy Weiss, Region of Durham

Resource Members: Jeff Baines, City of Brampton
Paul Steckham, Ministry of Transportation
Matthew Chu, Ministry of Tourism
GTAA: Aleem Kanji, Michael Mendel

Resource Members Absent: Harold Dremin, City of Mississauga
Bill Devlin, National Airlines Council of Canada
Pamela Laite, Tourism Toronto
Sam Ghobrial, NAV Canada

Also in Attendance: Kim Stefanazzi, GTAA
Prateek Konnur, Seneca College

Item	Details
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1.0 PRELIMINARY ITEMS

- 1.1
 - L. McKee, welcomed four new Consultative committee members:
 - Councillor Gurpreet Dhillon representing the City of Brampton.

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- Anton Norbert, citizen member representing the City of Brampton.
 - Shane Rayman, citizen member representing the City of Toronto.
 - Stephen Rose, citizen member representing the City of Mississauga.

L. McKee congratulated B. Shamim as new chair of the Brampton Board of Trade.

- 1.2** • Review and Approval of Agenda – H. Craig-Peddie and seconded by B. Shamim.
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- 1.3** • Review and Approval of February 4, 2015 Minutes – J. Nevins and seconded by S. Syed.
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- 1.4** Matters Arising from Previous Meeting – February 4, 2015. There were no items.
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2.0 REGULAR ITEMS

2.1 GTAA Information Update (handout) was reviewed.

- L. McKee noted an article was shared with CC members which appeared in the Metro News, regarding a demonstration that occurred at Toronto Pearson. S. Tufts was recognized and quoted as being a member of the Consultative Committee in the article.
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3.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

3.1 GTAA Year End Financial Update

- J. Boyd provided a presentation and advised that Toronto Pearson intends on being the world's best airport from a financial perspective, which means focusing on sustainability and aviation growth.
 - One of the highlights for 2014 was the debt bond buyback program which reduced debt at Toronto Pearson by \$399 million dollars.
 - Another highlight was the shift revenue towards non aeronautical sources. An increase of 8.3 per cent was achieved through passenger growth, enhanced retail offerings, and advertising initiatives in the Terminals.
 - Ground transportation and parking increased by 6.9 per cent, with concessions increasing by 14 per cent.
 - Passenger growth grew by 6.8 per cent in 2014 to a record 38.6 million passengers. Growth was achieved in all areas primarily due to new routes and new airlines at Toronto Pearson.
 - Profit earned by the GTAA is used to pay down the debt, improve service offerings to passengers as well as making broader
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investments in the community.

3.2 Seneca College Aviation Program

- S. Ramkay, Professor and Program Coordinator, Seneca College provided a presentation and noted Seneca College opened in 1967, has 10 campuses, and 26,500 full time students, and 70,000 continuing education students attend the college.
- S. Ramkay began his work at Seneca College five years ago in the Aviation Operations and Safety Programs with 30 students. This has increased to 120 students, and 50 per cent are international.
- Seneca recently built a \$30 million campus and relocated their airline training facility from Buttonville Airport to a state of the art facility in at Peterborough Airport.
- Flight training and classroom instruction takes place at this campus, and the facility has aircraft hangars, and flight simulators.
- Seneca has a job placement rate of approximately 75%.
- P. Konnur a graduate student from Seneca provided a presentation on his Seneca Experience and a project to raise awareness about the growing concern about laser strikes on aircraft and its potential catastrophic consequences.
- The project gained the support of the Airline Pilot Association Canada (APAC), which submitted a letter co-signed by 14 other organizations to the Ministers of Transportation & Justice.
- The coalition continues to build public awareness and act as an advocate for change.
- The project was selected to be presented at the Polytechnics Canada Applied Research Showcase in Vancouver B.C. in November 2014.
- S. Syed inquired what the salary prospects are for Seneca graduates.
 - S. Ramkay responded salary level prospects are approx. \$40,000 - \$60,000 annually.

3.3 Regional Airport Strategy

- L. McKee noted this year the GTAA began work to understand how airports across Southern Ontario could collectively handle the long-term growth that's forecasted, given that Toronto Pearson will begin to approach its planned capacity in 15-20 years.
 - Toronto Pearson developed a long-term perspective on growth for the economy, population, air travel and ground transportation requirement of the region.
 - The Study was supported by McKinsey & Company, The Centre for Spatial Economics (C4SE) and Professor Eric Miller.
 - All levels of government are being consulted, including the Province of Ontario, Transport Canada, and the City of Toronto.
 - The GTAA will be engaging in a dialogue with 10 airports from across Southern
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Ontario.

- The macroeconomic conditions in Southern Ontario were studied and the implications for air travel and on ground air transportation to Toronto Pearson 30 years from now.
 - The Ontario GDP in 2043 will be 1.0 trillion
 - Population will be 15.5 million.
 - Air travel demand will be 90 million passengers.
 - Toronto Pearson has looked at the Master Plans of ten airports in Southern Ontario.
 - After 2032 the region will be challenged to accommodate increases in demand for air travel, even with the GTAA's planned capacity investments.
 - Driving times to Pearson will increase 25 – 30 per cent over the next 30 years.
- There are multiple options for regions to accommodate growing air passenger demand. Some examples around the world include,
 - Build a single large hub airport to handle all current and future demands.
- e.g. Dubai Airports
 - Develop a robust regional airport system, a network of regional airports.
e.g. The Port Authority of New York & New Jersey
 - Status Quo – Airports plan in an uncoordinated way
- S. Holyday inquired what is driving the growth to 70 million passengers.
 - L. McKee responded the primary driver is GDP. Tourism is also a contributing factor.
- S. Holyday inquired where the Federal Government fits into the strategy.
 - L. McKee noted the Federal Government plays a number of roles. They are the airport regulator and have oversight in aviation planning. Transport Canada also owns the Pickering Lands and will determine whether an airport is built and is a signatory to the Billy Bishop Tripartite Agreement.

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• **Ontario 2015 Pre-Budget Submission**

- A. Kanji noted as part of the GTAA's lobbying and advocacy to the Province a pre-budget submission is provided each year. The GTAA's 2015 submission focused on Toronto Pearson's economic impact, building from the global hub economic impact study, and the airport's growth between now and 2030.
 - Other areas of focus included,
 - Regional Transportation, given the essential role Toronto Pearson plays as a major intermodal transportation hub, as identified by Metrolinx.
 - Tourism, given the partnership Toronto Pearson has with Ontario's
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tourism industry and its agencies to grow Ontario's profile around the world as a tourist destination and to bring more visitors to our Province.

4.0 MEMBERS UPDATE

- Committee members reported on each of their areas.
- S. Syed noted that he attended a meeting of the Southern Ontario Gateway Council regarding Transportation and Land Use Planning on May 22, 2015.
- S. Tufts advised that he took part in a labour demonstration in early May at Toronto Pearson.
- Heather Craig-Peddie noted that the GTAA's CTA Review submission did not mention ground rent as a concern.
- B. Shamim noted that The Brampton Board of Trade has signed a MOU with the Kocaeli Chamber of Industry serving the region of Kocaeli, Turkey.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT: The next Consultative Committee meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2015.

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