

# OEAC-22-44 Information Report

## **Economic and Development Services Department**

Date: December 6, 2022

**To:** Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee (O.E.A.C.)

**From:** Branden Morris, O.E.A.C. Policy Advisor,

Economic and Development Services Department

Re: Integrated Major Transit Station Area Study for Central Oshawa Notice of

**Study Commencement** 

The purpose of this Information Report is to notify the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee that the City of Oshawa has retained a consultant, Parsons Inc., and initiated the Central Oshawa Major Transit Station Area (M.T.S.A.) Land Use and Transportation Master Plan, and Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, Schedule C, for First Avenue/McNaughton Avenue, together referred to as the "Integrated M.T.S.A. Study".

The Integrated M.T.S.A Study will consider and assess the feasibility and long-term implications of infrastructure that is required to support the development and intensification of lands within the Integrated M.T.S.A. study area, the type of transportation network needed to support this development, and the necessary road improvements to facilitate a diverse variety of transportation and land use options.

Attachment 1 is a copy of a letter from Parsons Inc. requesting OEAC's participation throughout the study process, and the City of Oshawa's Notice of Study Commencement.

#### Recommendation:

That this Information Report dated December 6, 2022 concerning the City's Integrated M.T.S.A. Study be received for information.





Item: OEAC-22-44 Attachment 1

November 23, 2022 - EMAIL ONLY

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RE: Integrated Major Transit Station Area Study for Central Oshawa Notice of Study Commencement

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The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study, provide Project Team contact information, and to request your input and participation in the study.

We have attached the Notice of Study Commencement to this letter for your information.

For project updates, please visit the project webpage at www.oshawa.ca/MTSAStudy.

Information will be collected in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

Thank you for your participation. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the undersigned by phone at 289-404-5363 or email at john.grieve@parsons.com.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Project Manager, Parsons

Attachment: Notice of Study Commencement

cc: Connor Leherbauer, Senior Planner, City of Oshawa Ranjit Gill, Manager, Professional Services, City of Oshawa Yannis Stogios, P.Eng., Parsons Project Manager Marianne Alden, MCIP, RPP, Parsons Consultation Lead

## NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT INTEGRATED MAJOR TRANSIT STATION AREA STUDY FOR CENTRAL OSHAWA

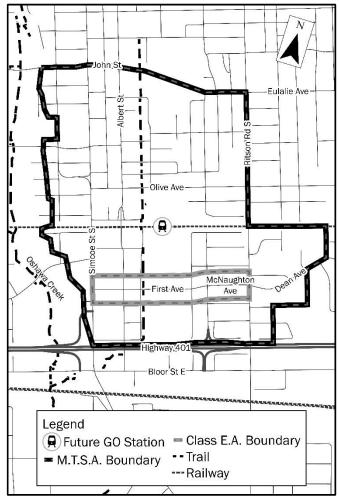
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The Integrated M.T.S.A. Study area is centered on the future Central Oshawa GO Station site located at 500 Howard Street.

The overall area of the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study is generally bounded by:

- John Street and Eulalie Avenue to the north,
- Ritson Road South to the east,
- Highway 401 to the south, and,
- The Oshawa Creek Valley to the west.

The Integrated M.T.S.A. Study area also includes certain lands east of Ritson Road South (see "M.T.S.A. Boundary" on map at right).



The Integrated M.T.S.A. Study will consider and assess the feasibility and long-term implications of infrastructure that is required to support the development and intensification of lands within the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study area.

It will also assess the type of transportation network needed to support this development and the necessary road improvements to facilitate a diverse variety of transportation and land use options.

This Notice of Study Commencement signifies the commencement of the following three (3) key components of the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study:

1. A Master Land Use and Urban Design Plan to advance appropriate development and intensification within the M.T.S.A. Boundary, in accordance with the Ontario Planning Act;

- 2. An area-specific Transportation Master Plan (T.M.P.) to identify and recommend a preferred transportation option that accommodates future development; and,
- 3. A Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, Schedule C, for First Avenue/McNaughton Avenue (see "Class E.A. Boundary" on map above), and any other major roads or improvements identified in the T.M.P.

The Master Land Use and Urban Design Plan will be completed in accordance with the Ontario Planning Act. The T.M.P. and Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, Schedule C, will be undertaken as outlined in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015) process, which is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

Consultation with stakeholders (e.g., the public, Indigenous Communities, and external agencies) is a key component of the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study. Public Information Centres will be held to discuss matters related to the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study, including alternative solutions, evaluation criteria, alternative designs, environmental impacts, and mitigation measures. Public Information Centre dates will be advertised as the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study progresses. Upon completion of the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study, a Central Oshawa Major Transit Station Area Report consisting of a Master Land Use and Urban Design Plan, Transportation Master Plan and Environmental Study Report will be prepared and made available for public review and comment.

### We want to hear from you!

Those interested in this study are invited to participate by:

- Visiting the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study webpage, at www.Oshawa.ca/MTSAStudy
- Subscribing to the Integrated M.T.S.A. Study mailing list to receive notices of future opportunities for public consultation. To be added to the mailing list, please contact one of the key contacts listed below.
- Attending the Public Information Centres. More details about the Public Information Centres will be provided as they become available.
- Providing comments, using either Connect Oshawa or sending directly to the key study contacts listed below.

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**Accessibility:** The City of Oshawa is committed to providing services as set out in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. If you have accessibility needs and require alternate formats or other accommodations, please contact the City study contact listed above.