

January 24, 2020

Hon. Caroline Mulroney
Minister of Transportation
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
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Dear Minister Mulroney,

On January 20, 2020, a letter from Metrolinx's Chief Planning Officer, Mathieu Goetzke was sent to the City of Burlington in reference to Burlington's Interim Control By-Law Land Use Study & Proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, (Staff Report PL-01-20).

I am very disappointed by the demands made by Metrolinx Chief Planning Officer, Mathieu Goetzke, and find it entirely inappropriate that neither the Ministry nor myself, as the MPP for Burlington, were copied on this correspondence.

The City of Burlington has been working on a new Official Plan for some time, and is under a deadline with the Interim Control Bylaw ending on March 5, 2020 – just 41 days from now. The contents of the letter from Mr. Goetzke are not helpful to the process and serve only to stifle the ongoing public consultation, and hard work done by residents, staff and elected officials.

As you know, later this year the City of Burlington intends to propose to the province the relocation of the Downtown Mobility Hub designation. In light of this reckless and irresponsible letter from Metrolinx, I am asking you as the Minister of Transportation, to act now to move the MTSA designation to one of the GO transit stations recognized by the MTO.

I look forward to your timely response.

Sincerely,



Jane McKenna
MPP Burlington

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cc. Mathieu Goetzke, Chief Planning Officer, Metrolinx
cc. Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
cc. Marianne Meed Ward, Mayor, City of Burlington
cc. Jo-Anne Rudy, Committee Clerk, Community Planning, Regulation & Mobility Clerk