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- To:Committee of Adjustments City of Brampton
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- **DATE:** July 3, 2025

RE: Adjacent Development Review: A-2025-0058 158 Queen Street East, Brampton, ON Minor Variance

Metrolinx is in receipt of the Minor Variance application for 158 Queen Street East to construct a second storey addition over the existing building footprint, as circulated on June 25th, 2025, and is to be heard at Public Hearing on July 29th, 2025. Metrolinx's comments on the subject application are noted below:

• The subject lands are immediately adjacent to the proposed Metrolinx Queen Street-Highway 7 BRT.

Q7 BRT - ADVISORY COMMENTS

- The **Provincial Policy Statement (PPS)** emphasizes the protection of transit corridors to support future infrastructure and development (PPS Section 3.3). These policies underscore the need to plan for and protect transit rights-of-way (ROW) to accommodate future transit needs.
- Following Q7BRT's inclusion in the Big Move Regional Transportation Plan in 2008, the Province identified Q7BRT as part of the Next Wave Program of Rapid Transit projects in 2014, with planning and design funding provided in the 2015 Ontario Budget. The Queen Street Highway 7 BRT (Q7BRT) Project is now a priority "In Development" project from Metrolinx's 2041 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), progressing through early planning and design. The Bus-Only lanes aim to enhance transit service, including the Brampton Transit Zum Service operating on Queen Street West today.
- Upon Board endorsement, Metrolinx will share additional details with the City of Brampton to support ROW protection as new development proposals along the corridor are received. The project's business case is anticipated to be published **following the Board endorsement this year**, however it does not preclude the City of Brampton or other municipalities from taking early steps to protect the ROW. This will further support municipalities to incorporate ROW protection into their planning. A more detailed design and configuration of the Q7BRT will be confirmed if/when a delivery lead brings the project through detailed design and delivery.

Should you have any questions or concerns on the above , please contact jenna.auger@metrolinx.com.

Best Regards,

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