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Good afternoon, Councillor Palleschi

We wanted to send a quick follow-up to thank you for inviting Metrolinx to present at the Committee of Council on September 22nd. We are excited for the possibilities that the Kitchener Line Expansion work will bring to the region, and the improvements that Brampton residents can expect with increased service to their stations, and a more integrated transit network in their city.

During the session, you also posed a question about the Metrolinx community benefits program with the Eglinton Crosstown LRT, and whether something similar can be expected for Kitchener expansion work. The Metrolinx community benefits program focuses on ensuring that residents, businesses and communities understand the benefits that major transit projects will bring to their communities and what supports are available for mitigating construction impacts, through employment and local procurement opportunities. The program is currently in place through the Hurontario LRT project, and we are preparing a report which outlines its impact on the communities affected by construction both in Mississauga and Brampton.

However, given that Kitchener line expansion works are still in the early design phases, the details of the community support initiatives will need be determined in partnership with the Ministry of Transportation and the contractors who are awarded the various projects that will enable the expansion work to be completed. We will be sure to keep you updated as those plans become finalized, and work with our partners at the City of Brampton to bring them to fruition.

As always, we thank you for your continued support as we work together to bring better transit to the city and your constituents.

Thanks,
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