

## **Ad-Hoc Grand Trunk Renewal Committee**

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## **Requested Committee Direction:**

The report is for information only.

## **Overview of Previous Month:**

- Met with partners from the University of Waterloo
- Prepared for and attended Two Row Now meeting
- Finalized vision and guiding principles with Vision, Planning and Architecture Working Group
- Identified issues and next steps for temporary uses of the GTR site with project engineer
- Met with Working Group coordinators to discuss workplan and implementation
- Met with community partners interested in hosting events at the GTR site to assess technical requirements and scheduling
- Collaborative workshop with Stratford Public Library and Community Services to discuss space program and shared space needs
- Meeting with the YMCA to explore space program and shared space needs
- Meeting with Partnership Working Group to discuss community needs assessment
- Prepared and delivered Management Report on the Q3-Q4 Workplan to Council (August 13, 2024)
- Developed Working Group report template
- Facilitated meeting of the Working Group Chairs
- Facilitated and prepared materials for Working Group meeting on site fit and parameters
- Participated and prepared materials for Legal and Finance Working Group meeting
- Designed, finalized and prepared materials for Ad Hoc meeting agenda
- Prepared draft 2025 capital budget for the GTR project
- Prepared Management Report on the community engagement findings and Vision and Guiding Principles

## **Overview of Upcoming Month:**

- Deliver Management Report on community engagement findings and Vision and Guiding Principles (September 9, 2024)
- Develop recommendations and approach for placemaking initiatives
- Develop, detail and discuss options for community space(s) with key partners and interest holders
- Develop scope of work for financial modelling and market analysis, assess resources available to complete the work

- Meeting with relevant staff to discuss infrastructure status and work plan
- Meeting with UW to explore operational models
- WG Chairs meeting
- Meeting with YMCA to explore operational models