

Ad-Hoc Grand Trunk Renewal Committee

Working Group:	Vision, Planning & Architecture	
Report Date:	October 15, 2024	

Requested Committee Direction:

The report is for information only.

Discussion Points:

Vision & Guiding Principles

 Over the last six months, the Ad Hoc Committee has reviewed, refined and updated the 2018 Master Plan version of the Vision and Guiding Principles for the Grand Trunk Renewal. The community was invited to provide their input on the draft Vision and Guiding Principles during engagement events in June 2024. The result of this work and engagement, the 2024 draft Vision and Guiding Principles, was presented to and endorsed by Council at the September 23, 2024 Council Meeting.

Visual Representation of Vision and Guiding Principles

Building on the input from the community consultation and Ad Hoc Committee
discussions to date, the Working Group has created a graphic that visually communicates
the clusters of potential activities and uses for the site that align with the Vision and
Guiding Principles. The graphic is intended to express the types of uses, experiences and
activities that could potentially be delivered on the Grand Trunk site, the opportunities for
synergies between activities and potential partners. The Activity Clusters graphic will be
presented at the Ad Hoc Committee at the October 21 meeting for discussion and input.

Indigenous Engagement and Consultation

- The Working Group met with City staff (Oonagh) to get an update on the work being undertaken to identify potential rights holders and protocols for engagement with Indigenous communities about the Grand Trunk renewal project. The urgency of this work was emphasized and the need to reach out to the appropriate parties as soon as possible. City staff noted that this work will benefit not only the GTR but also other City initiatives as these protocols do not currently exist.
- VPA looks forward to staff presentation at the October Ad Hoc Committee meeting on the proposed Protocols and beginning engagement with Indigenous communities related to GTR.

Overview of Previous Month:

- Working Group Meeting of October 4, 2024
- Ongoing work on the Cluster of Activities diagram for the GTR

• Ongoing work on the Indigenous engagement protocols

Key questions of City Staff

- 1. How to ensure alignment with the overall Official Plan review and in particular the amount and type of housing to be planned for on the Grand Trunk Site
- 2. What infrastructure/environmental approvals may be required (EA, RSC, other) in order to implement redevelopment on the Grand Trunk site? What inputs do staff need to determine this ie scale of development, land uses, etc.?

Overview of Upcoming Month:

Item	Item/Action	By Whom	By When
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1	Finalized Draft visual representation of Clusters of Activities	Melanie/Emily	Oct 19
2	Design graphic package for Vision, Guiding Principles and Clusters of Activities as the Vision 2024	Emily	Mid November
3	Coordination with Communications and Engagement Working Group on sharing Vision and Guiding Principles out into the community	WG	October 31
4	Finalize Indigenous engagement Protocols	Emily/Oonagh/Kevin	October 31
5	Update website and collateral	Emily	October 31
6	Report/Update to Council on Indigenous Engagement Protocols	Emily/Oonagh/Kevin	November 30
7	Initial Outreach and Engagement with Indigenous Communities	Melanie	November - December
8	Working with the Environment Working Group and others, identify key approvals required, timelines and resources to implement the GTR	WG	November 30
9	Identify key areas to update Master Plan concept	WG	November 30