MEMO / NOTE DE SERVICE



To / Destinataire Members of Council File/N° de fichier:

From / Mayor Jim Watson
Expéditeur Councillor Stephen Blais,
Chair or Transit Commission
Councillor Keith Egli,
Chair of Transportation Committee

Subject / Objet Next Confederation Line Update at FEDCO on March 6, 2018

As you are aware, Council has set out the general authority to FEDCO on matters that relate to the City's LRT Project Agreement. In consultation with the Chairs of the Transit Commission and Transportation Committee we are proposing that FEDCO should receive regular updates on the Confederation Line.

We have requested that staff provide a monthly progress update to FEDCO on the construction and launch of the Confederation Line between now and the launch of LRT service.

The next update on Confederation Line will be at FEDCO on March 6th, 2018.

At this meeting, we have asked staff to provide an overview of the Project Agreement and the various tools available to the City to ensure that taxpayers are protected as we move towards the launch of the Confederation Line in November 2018.

The attached memorandum from the City Manager provides Members of Council with a basic overview of the Project Agreement between RTG and the City of Ottawa. This includes an overview of how the Project Agreement has been structured, in its entirety, to protect Ottawa taxpayers from cost overruns and delay costs.

It is important to note that delay costs will be documented over the course of the coming year and until the system launches. Given the scope and complexity of the Confederation Line, the single largest infrastructure project in the City's history, staff do not expect to have a final accounting of costs until after the Confederation Line launches.

We encourage all Members of Council to attend the next FEDCO update on the implementation of the Confederation Line scheduled for March 6.