



Media release

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Transit Storage Facility Development Expression of Interest

Peterborough, ON – The City of Peterborough is looking for options to partner with, or acquire land from, interested parties for the construction of a new transit storage facility to replace the existing facility on Townsend Street.

The City has considered various City-owned properties and a few privately-held properties that it could potentially acquire for this project. The Expression of Interest invites other potential partners or property owners that want to be considered as part of this project. There are several ways that an individual, business or organization could partner with the City or become involved in the transit storage facility project, including:

- Offering other options for land or potentially existing buildings where the transit storage facility could be located, other than the municipality's own property;
- Partnering with the City on the project and identifying resources they can contribute to the project, for operating and capital costs, towards other complementary facilities or services at the facility;
- Identifying commercial partners that can bring alternative financing solutions to the project, which may include capital or operating resources, in exchange for benefits such as land, naming rights, improved or new municipal services that complement the transit storage facility, advertising on Peterborough Transit, and development rights as part of a public-private partnership.

The project requires a property that is at least five acres of developable land, has enough street frontage for two access points (preferably on two different collector or arterial roads), is relatively flat and relatively square in shape, is close to municipal sewer and water services, and is within six kilometres of 182 Townsend St.

For the full details, please see the Expression of Interest posted on the City's website at peterborough.ca/tenders. The Expression of Interest closes before 3 p.m. on Thursday, February 21, 2019.

A new transit storage facility will provide indoor storage for all transit vehicles; service for vehicle cleaning, fueling and minor maintenance; office space, staff change rooms and facilities; and fuel and equipment storage. It may also include a ticket sales and passenger waiting area if the location is appropriate to combine with transit route services.

The City's current transit storage facility at 182 Townsend St. consists of a storage garage, service area for fueling and washing, a maintenance garage and office space.

“Peterborough Transit has outgrown the Townsend Street facility,” said Kevin Jones, the City’s Manager of Transportation. “The space is too small for the current fleet of transit vehicles, lacks efficient service areas, and cannot accommodate expansion. A new site is critical to current operations and future growth of Peterborough Transit”.

This information is also on our City of Peterborough website at www.peterborough.ca.

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