

The Board at its meeting of February 2, 2015 received a PowerPoint presentation on the 2015 TTC and Wheel-Trans Operating Budgets from A. Byford, Chief Executive Officer, and unanimously adopted the recommendations in the staff report, as follows:

“It is recommended that the Board:

1. approve the 2015 TTC Operating Budget as detailed in this report and as summarized in Appendix A;
2. approve the 2015 Wheel-Trans Operating Budget as detailed later in this report and as summarized in Appendix B;
3. approve, effective March 1, 2015:
 - a 10 cent increase in the price of a single adult token and a proportionate increase in all other fares (except for cash and children’s fares);
 - a one-trip increase in the price of the Adult Metropass; and
 - children aged 12 and under will ride for free

as detailed in this report and set out in Appendix C

4. forward this report to the City of Toronto for submission into the City Budget process and for confirmation of the 2015 operating subsidy levels;
5. forward this report to the Metrolinx Board; and
6. forward this report to the Ontario Minister of Transportation”.

The Board also adopted the following ancillary motions:

- i) That Staff report back by May 2015 on a more rigorous TTC budget process involving the TTC Board.
- ii) That social service agencies that purchased bulk TTC tokens are offered tokens at the same cost in 2015 as in 2014; the maximum number of discounted tokens to be equal to the amount purchased in 2014.
- iii) That the TTC with the City petition the Province to restore operating subsidies to the TTC to historic levels as part of its 2015 budget; and that the TTC work with the City to develop an advocacy plan in 2015 to that end.
- iv) That the TTC reaffirm its commitment to discounted fares for low income residents and that TTC work with the City and outside stakeholders prior to the 2016 TTC budget with a plan within the context of a poverty reduction strategy.
- v) That staff:
 - a) develop a draft campaign to achieve a Provincial Operating Subsidy on a per rider basis; and
 - b) consult with the City Manager's office before bringing the requested draft campaign to the TTC Board.