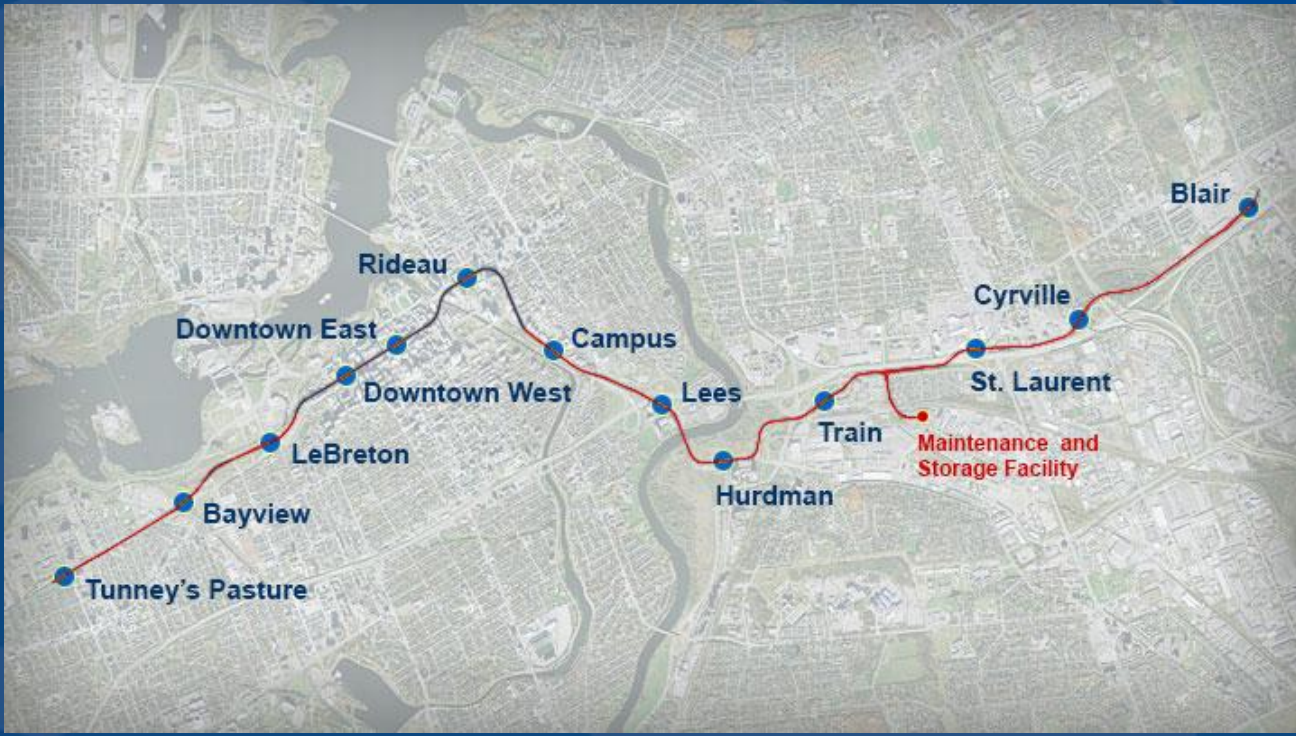


# The Confederation Line



## Project Update and Proposed Temporary Zoning By-Law Amendment

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- After rigorous evaluation Rideau Transit Group is the proponent being recommended to Council
- This world class consortium has delivered hundreds of projects around the world including: Canada Line and Seville Metro

- In May 2011, Council directed City staff to pursue an accelerated implementation schedule that advanced the delivery date of the project by more than a year
- The City has provided RTG with maximum flexibility to deliver the project according to that schedule and the budget laid out by Council
- This includes providing them with temporary access to any City-owned lands they require to serve as construction staging

# Confederation Line Impacts on University of Ottawa



# *Confederation Line Impacts on University of Ottawa*

- Confederation Line construction will displace approximately 230 parking spots at the University of Ottawa to make way for construction staging
- The City wants to avoid having those vehicles circulate through the neighbourhood looking for on-street parking and further complicating a difficult street parking situation
- The MOU with the University offers our commitment to provide them with alternate parking arrangements in an effort to reduce community impacts

- The City examined a number of different sites for possible staging and alternate parking and has received a number of suggestions from the community
- Complications include:
  - City not owning the land (MTO, NCC, Private)
  - Private parking lots already at capacity
  - Lands already scheduled to be used as construction staging

# Zoning By-law Amendment

- City initiated temporary Zoning By-law Amendment application for 160 Lees Avenue
- Proposes a parking lot for a period of three years
- Extension of use would require an additional zoning amendment



# Zoning By-law Amendment

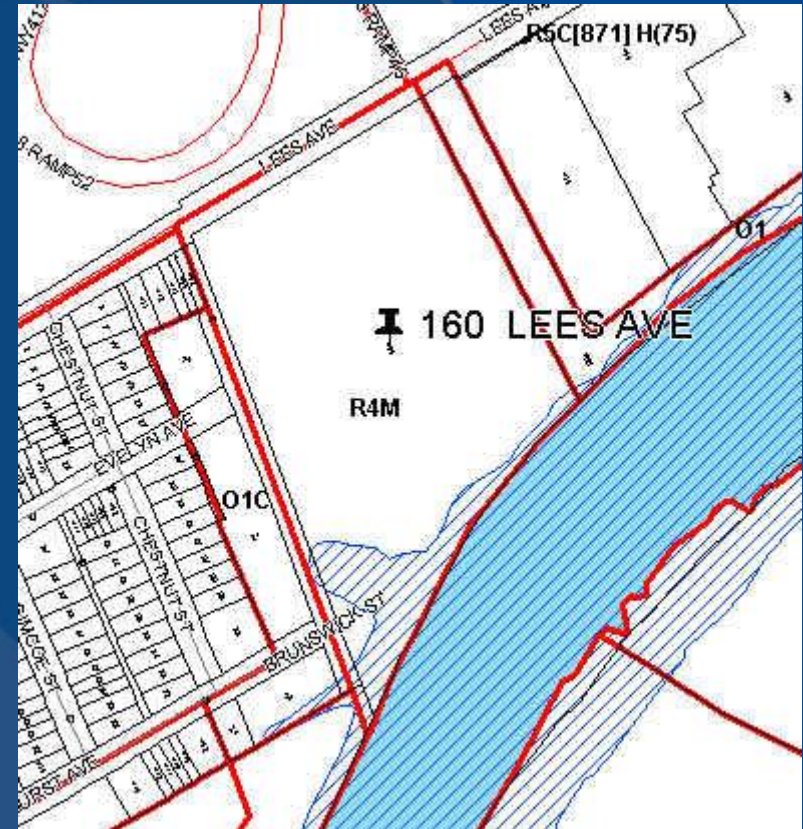
- Policy framework:
  - **Official Plan** - northern portion designated Mixed Use Centre and southern portion designated Major Open Space
  - **OOE Secondary Plan** - northern portion designated Mixed Use Centre and southern portion designated Open Space





# Zoning By-law Amendment

- Policy framework (con'd):
  - **Transportation Master Plan – Alta Vista Transportation Corridor identified as a Phase 2 project (2016 – 2022)**
- Current Zoning
  - Residential Fourth Density Zone Subzone M (R4M)



# Zoning By-law Amendment

- Application Status
  - Circulation period ends January 4, 2013
  - Scheduled to be heard at Planning Committee on January 14, 2013
  - Accompanying site plan control application to be submitted



# Zoning By-law Amendment

- Consultation Process
  - Encouraged to submit comments before Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Opportunity at Planning Committee (on Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>) to provide comments - written submission or making a presentation
  - Consultation during the site plan control process
  - Option to submit an appeal to the OMB

# Alternative Site Plan Concept



- Council voted unanimously today to accept RTG's submission and move forward with the project
- Our goal is to minimize community impacts as much as possible while still moving the Confederation Line forward along the accelerated schedule and budget directed by Council
- We want to continue to work with the community through the site plan process to achieve the best possible outcome for all concerned

# *Confederation Line Benefits*

- Significantly improved transit service and access to the Lees station
- Redesign of the Lees pedestrian crossing into the station to make it more user friendly as part of the project
- Improved pathway connections around the community to better integrate cyclists and pedestrians into the City's transit network and existing pathway system

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# QUESTIONS?



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