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Toronto City Council Supports High-Speed Rail Between Toronto & New York City

December 18, 2024 – Toronto City Council adopted a motion by [Councillor Paul Ainslie, in support for a high-speed rail connection between two major North American cities, Toronto and New York City](#). This project aligns perfectly with the City of Toronto’s commitment to sustainable transportation and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. By connecting Toronto and New York City with high-speed rail, we are taking a significant step towards a more connected and environmentally friendly future.

“The proposal will not only enhance our transportation infrastructure but also create new opportunities for economic growth and international exchange,” said Councillor Ainslie. “This project will demonstrate our government’s continuous commitment to innovation and progress.”

Other important leaders, including New York State Senator Jeremy A. Cooney, Chairman of the State Senate Transportation Committee, have also expressed support for this initiative.

“As we move forward, I urge the Federal Government, the Ontario Government, and all relevant stakeholders to join us in making this vision a reality.” stated Councillor Ainslie. “This project will significantly reduce travel times between major cities, enhance connectivity, and provide a sustainable alternative to car and air travel.”

Councillor Ainslie sits on the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) Board of Directors and has previously had the original motion passed for Toronto City Council’s support of [a high-speed train in the Quebec–Toronto Corridor](#).

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