



ON TRACK

NAME	TITLE	RESOLUTION FOR DOWNTOWN LOCATION		
		YEA	NAY	ABSTENTION
Robert Shibley (Facilitator)	Dean of the UB School of Architecture & Planning			
Byron W. Brown	Mayor	X		
Mark Poloncarz	Erie County Executive		X	
Brian Higgins	Congressman		X	
Tim Kennedy	State Senator		X	
Crystal Peoples-Stokes	Assembly Member	X		
Matthew Driscoll	Commissioner, NYS Dept. of Transportation	X		
Howard Zemsky	President & CEO, Empire State Development	X		
Brendan Mehaffy	Executive Director, Buffalo Office of Strategic Planning	X		
Steven Stepniak	Commissioner, City of Buffalo Dept. of Public Works	X		
Eugene Berardi	President and CEO, Trailways	X		
Douglas Funke	President, Citizens for Regional Transit			X
Tom George	Transit Director, NFTA	X		
Caroline E. Mael	Senior Regional Director, Amtrak	X		
Dr. Constance M. Moss	Retired Associate Superintendant Buffalo Public Schools		X	
Maurice O'Connell	Vice President, CSX	X		
Luis Rodriguez, Jr.	Rodriguez Construction Group	X		
FINAL COUNT		11	4	1



RESOLUTION OF STAKEHOLDERS ON A DECISION FOR A NEW TRAIN STATION LOCATION IN THE CITY OF BUFFALO

WHEREAS, On October, 26, 2016, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo issued a challenge to Mayor Byron W. Brown to convene a group of stakeholders, work with a consultant, engage the community, and return with a recommendation for a new train station location to replace the current Exchange Street Station in the City of Buffalo in six months time; and

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo pledged \$1,000,000 to study the feasibility of various locations for construction of a new railway station, and asked the 17 stakeholders, who collectively represent a broad and diverse cross-section of the Western New York Region to reach a location decision; and

WHEREAS, Robert Shibley, Professor and Dean of Architecture and Planning at the University at Buffalo School of Architecture and Planning agreed to serve as facilitator for this process, and WSP/Parsons Brinckerhoff was retained as the consultant to conduct this study; and

WHEREAS, the stakeholders collectively determined that an evaluation needed to be based on the Location in Relation to Population, Employment, Entertainment and Activity Centers; Operational Efficiency; Multi-Modal Connectivity; Environmental Factors; Readiness to Decide; and Construction Costs; and

WHEREAS, the stakeholders and consultants have held a number of community and stakeholder meetings to thoroughly and objectively explore multiple location options, which have garnered significant public input and debate; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2017, stakeholders gathered for the purpose of conducting a final evaluation and reaching a decision, working diligently through a process designed to achieve consensus regarding a final recommendation for the location of a new train station;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Downtown is the preferred location for a new train station in the City of Buffalo.

Respectfully submitted by:

Dean Robert Shibley, Facilitator
April 20, 2017