

Thursday, August 18, 2016

Members Present:

Kevin Montgomery (Co-Chair)
Stephen Laidlaw
Dayle Laing
Gaspard Ndayishimiye
George Shepperdley
Lisa Stokes

Members Absent:

Anthony Simone (Co-Chair) (regrets)
Alina Grzejszczak (regrets)
Patrick McLeavey (regrets)
Julius Pokol (regrets)
Pauline Thornham (regrets)
City Councillor Jeff Bowman (other municipal business)

Staff Present:

Planning and Infrastructure Services Department
N. Cadete, Project Manager, Active Transportation
A. Oliveira, Project Manager, Engineering and Development
Corporate Services Department
E. Evans, Deputy Clerk
S. Danton, Legislative Coordinator

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The meeting was called to order at 7:17 p.m. and adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

CYC058-2016 That the Cycling Advisory Committee Agenda for August 18, 2016, be approved as printed and circulated.

Carried

2. Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act - nil

3. Previous Minutes

3.1. Minutes - Cycling Advisory Committee - July 21, 2016

The minutes are pending consideration by Planning and Infrastructure Services Committee on September 12, 2016, and approval by Council on September 14, 2016. The minutes were provided for information only.

4. Delegations / Presentations

4.1. Delegation from Erica Duque, Active Transportation Planner, Region of Peel, re: **Bike Month and Bike to School 2016**

Erica Duque, Active Transportation Planner, Region of Peel, highlighted the cycling events occurring throughout Brampton and the Region of Peel, such as Bike Month, Bike to School 2016, Bike4Brampton Group Rides, Bike the Creek, and Community Rides.

Ms. Duque provided an overview of the Region of Peel's Sustainable Transportation Strategy and noted its objectives and anticipated implementation timelines. In response to questions from Committee, Ms. Duque confirmed that there will be opportunities for public feedback and consultation during the process. Regular updates on the Strategy will be provided to Committee as they become available.

The following motion was considered:

CYC059-2016 That the delegation from Erica Duque, Active Transportation Planner, Region of Peel, to the Cycling Advisory Committee Meeting of August 18, 2016, re: **Bike Month and Bike to School 2016** be received.

Carried

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4.2. Presentation by George Shepperdley, Member, re: **Streetsville to Orangeville Single Track Railway**

George Shepperdley, Member, requested that the City allocate money in the 2017 budget to investigate the possibility of creating a “rail trail” along the single-line train track that runs from Streetsville to Inglewood. Mr. Shepperdley noted that the creation of the trail would provide connections to existing trails and increase cycling tourism in the area.

Nelson Cadete, Manager, Active Transportation, noted that the Active Transportation Technical Report included in the Transportation Master Plan states that, where feasible, multi-use trails along railways would be considered.

Earl Evans, Deputy City Clerk, provided clarification with respect to the Orangeville Railway Development Corporation, noting that the Corporation makes payments in lieu of taxes on its property. Mr. Evans suggested that Committee research the matter further before providing a recommendation to Council.

Committee noted that the matter may be considered by the Infrastructure Subcommittee.

The following motion was considered:

CYC060-2016 That the presentation by George Shepperdley, Member, to the Cycling Advisory Committee Meeting of August 18, 2016, re: **Streetsville to Orangeville Single Track Railway** be received.

Carried

5. Reports / Updates

5.1. Update from Dayle Laing, Member, dated July 21, 2016, re: **Joint Committee of Western Lake Ontario Cycling Advisory Committees**

Dayle Laing, Member, provided a brief overview and background on the Joint Committee of Western Lake Ontario Cycling Advisory Committees.

Committee discussion of the matter included a suggestion to participate in the upcoming Vision Zero Workshop and webinar.

The following motion was considered:

CYC061-2016 That the update from Dayle Laing, Member, to the Cycling Advisory Committee Meeting of August 18, 2016, re: **Joint Committee of Western Lake Ontario Cycling Advisory Committees** be received.

Carried

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- 5.2. Correspondence from C. King, Traffic Operations Supervisor, Public Works, dated May 4, 2016, re: **Implementation of Bicycle Lanes on Sunny Meadow Boulevard**

In response to questions from Committee, staff provided details on the re-surfacing of Sunny Meadow Boulevard and the installation of “urban shoulders” in conjunction with construction projects.

The following motion was considered:

- CYC062-2016 That the correspondence from Chris King, Traffic Operations Supervisor, Public Works, dated May 4, 2016, to the Cycling Advisory Committee Meeting of August 18, 2018, re: **Implementation of Bicycle Lanes on Sunny Meadow Boulevard** be received.

Carried

- 5.3. Correspondence from C. King, Traffic Operations Supervisor, Public Works, dated June 27, 2016, re: **Implementation of Bicycle Lanes on Edenbrook Hill Drive**

The following motion was considered:

- CYC063-2016 That the correspondence from Chris King, Traffic Operations Supervisor, Public Works, dated June 27, 2016, to the Cycling Advisory Committee Meeting of August 18, 2016, re: **Implementation of Bicycle Lanes on Edenbrook Hill Drive** be received.

Carried

6. **Active Transportation Ideas** - nil

7. **Other/New Business / Information Items**

- 7.1. Discussion at the request of Kevin Montgomery, Co-Chair, re: **Motion for Committee Consideration regarding Dedication of Bicycle Parking at Peel Memorial Health Centre**

Committee consideration of the matter included consensus that Kevin Montgomery, Co-Chair, contact the William Osler Board with respect to this proposal.

The following motion was considered:

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CYC064-2016 That, on behalf of the Cycling Advisory Committee, Kevin Montgomery, Co-Chair, submit a request to the Board of the William Osler Heath System to consider dedicating the bicycle parking at Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health and Wellness to Ralf Jarchow, an avid cyclist and fundraiser for the Centre.

Carried

7.2. Discussion at the request of Kevin Montgomery, Co-Chair, re: **Motion for Committee Consideration - Request for Council Support regarding Cycling Infrastructure Funding in the Climate Change Action Plan**

Committee consideration of the matter included support of the subject motion and consensus to seek Council support. Committee requested that Councillor Bowman, Committee Representative, speak to the motion when the minutes of this meeting are considered by Planning and Infrastructure Services Committee.

The following motion was considered:

CYC065-2016 Whereas the Provincial Government implemented the Ontario Climate Change Strategy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 80% below 1990 levels by 2050, and build a prosperous low-carbon economy;

Whereas increasing cycling can play an important role in meeting our climate change goals;

Whereas Ontario's daily cycling mode share is currently 1%;

Whereas an Ontario wide poll shows that 4.5% of Ontario residents ride a bike at least monthly and that 54% of Ontario residents want to cycle more than they currently do;

Whereas of the 54% polled, 67% would be encouraged to cycle more if there were more and better cycling infrastructure available (Share the Road, 2014);

Whereas the Brampton Cycling Advisory Committee (BCAC) recognizes cycling as a way of addressing climate change;

Whereas the BCAC have implemented a successful Community Ride Program which has increased cycling awareness in the City of Brampton;

Whereas the City of Brampton has an Environmental Master Plan, Pathways Master Plan, and a Transportation Master Plan of which the BCAC feels cycling needs to be a major component;

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Whereas there is a strong interest among municipalities in building and investing in cycling infrastructure, as demonstrated during the first funding round of the Ontario Municipal Cycling Infrastructure Program, which received 150 applications from municipalities;

Whereas Brampton is addressing gaps in cycling infrastructure, and that closing these gaps will increase the safety of our residents and encourage more cycling as a means of transportation;

Whereas an investment in cycling infrastructure will complement the investments in public transit being made at both the provincial and federal levels;

Whereas an investment in cycling infrastructure will improve and enhance the multi-use trail system;

Whereas cycling plays an important role in promoting public transit, helping Ontarians make the journey to and from the nearest transit stations more convenient and accessible;

Whereas an investment in cycling would support and promote cycling for all trips under 5k including walking and cycling routes to schools;

Whereas a funding commitment will help to achieve the goals set out in Ontario Climate Change Strategy and also contribute to meeting objectives in the Province's CycleOn Strategy and Action Plan 1.0;

Whereas these funds would be in addition to and not impact any other funding provided by the Province for infrastructure;

Therefore be it resolved that it is the position of the Cycling Advisory Committee that:

1. The Provincial Government be urged to recommend that the provincial cap and trade programs be leveraged to provide \$200 million for cycling infrastructure across Ontario over the next 4 years;
2. Mayor Jeffrey be asked to write a letter of support to the minister of the Environment and Climate Change;
3. Other municipalities across Ontario through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario be encouraged to join with Brampton in calling on the Province to act.

Carried

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8. Future Agenda Items

Items to be considered at future Committee meetings include:

(nil)

9. Correspondence - nil

10. Question Period - nil

11. Public Question Period

In response to questions from David Laing, Brampton resident, Nelson Cadete, Project Manager, Active Transportation, advised that the implementation of cycling infrastructure will be considered in conjunction with construction projects, and separately where there are available resources and Council support. The Transportation Master Plan and Active Transportation Master Plan will identify priority projects.

12. Adjournment

CYC066-2016 That the Cycling Advisory Committee do now adjourn to meet again on Thursday, September 15, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

Carried

Kevin Montgomery, Co-Chair