



**CYCLING AND PEDESTRIAN
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017
CIVIC CENTRE – CANADA ROOM**

MINUTES

Attendance

Committee:

David Rawcliffe, Chair
Peter Miasek, Vice Chair
Ken Deering
Joe Doria
Janet Jones
Gordon Lawson
Daniel Yeung
Zain Khan
Councillor Don Hamilton
Councillor Alan Ho
Paul Salvo
Justin Hung
Paul Traicoff

Staff:

Brian Lee, Director of Engineering
Loy Cheah, Senior Manager, Transportation
Reena Mistry, TDM Coordinator
Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator

Regrets:

Elisabeth Tan
Anthony Ko
Theresa Ko-Cheung, York Region Health Services
Arlene Juanillo, Markham Advisory on
Accessibility
Richard Senior, York Region Police
Sonya De Vellis, Smart Commute Markham,
Richmond Hill
Shawn Smith, York Region

The Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee convened at 7:05 p.m. with David Rawcliffe presiding as Chair.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None disclosed.

1. MINUTES OF THE MARKHAM CYCLING & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 15, 2016

Moved by Peter Miasek
Seconded by Justin Hung

That the minutes from the December 15, 2016 Cycling & Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting be approved.

Carried

2. REVIEW OF STATUS OF CPAC WORK ITEMS

No comments.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING

Bike Valet

Staff distributed a sheet outlining an additional proposed delivery option for bike valet services at City events. After discussion, the additional proposed delivery option did not seem desirable.

The Committee discussed the following relative to providing bike valet service at City events:

- Not always having proper space for permanent bicycle racks
- Staff leading the service versus event organizers staffing it
- Difficult to obtain volunteers to run the valet service

Staff advised that there might be potential for storage of tents and bike valet equipment, however, a further meeting with the different departments is being set up to discuss all the details. It was suggested that staff will review the comments from the Committee and City departments and report back on how to proceed with the bicycle valet service.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS IN PRIORITY ORDER

Cycling Gaps - 2016 Project Update

Joe Doria addressed the Committee and summarized the details outlined in the e-mail he sent to all Committee members that included the position of the gap subcommittee relative to edgelines and a list of pending gaps identified by the gap subcommittee.

Staff pointed out that edgelines are for the purpose of traffic calming, and it should not be assumed that all streets with edgelines are suitable as a shared bike route. Staff will review the e-mail and report back. It was also suggested that Committee members review the new gaps identified by the subcommittee and if there are further ones to add to the list to send an e-mail to Peter or Joe. The gap subcommittee will prioritize the list and report back.

Cycling on Sidewalks

Steven Glassman, Markham resident addressed the Committee and spoke in support of permitting bicycles on sidewalks. He indicated that he feels much safer rider on the sidewalk rather than on roads that do not have dedicated safe bike facilities.

The Committee discussed the following relative to permitting cyclists on sidewalks:

- Potential risks between cyclists and pedestrians
- If permitted must have proper signage
- If permitted cyclists must not exceed a certain speed
- Importance of cyclists yielding to pedestrians

It was suggested that staff report back at the next meeting.

Road Safety Plan

Staff advised that they have comments from the City's Operation department. Staff will provide an update on the five initiatives.

Walkability Audit

Peter Miasek will forward the recommendation from the walkability subcommittee (June 9, 2016) to staff for their review and comments.

5. INFORMATION ITEM/NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Smart Commute Markham Richmond Hill (SCMRH) 10th Anniversary

Staff provided an update regarding activities that will take place for the SCMRH 10th Anniversary celebration. It was noted that they are planning a bicycle ride.

John Street Study Status Update

Staff advised that they anticipate receiving the report from MMM Group in about a week.

Bike Racks

Staff advised that the City's Public Realm Coordinator reached out to them suggesting that CPAC provide potential locations for bicycle racks. It was suggested that the Public Realm Coordinator come to a future meeting to provide more details.

Presentation to DSC regarding 2016 review and 2017 Business Plan

Peter Miasek will begin preparing a draft presentation.

Markham Cycling Day

Zain Khan will try to set up a meeting with staff to discuss the 2016 event final costs and City support for the 2017 event.

Active Transportation Charter

Staff advised that they are reviewing it and anticipate having the final product for the February meeting.

6. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

- Bicycle valet
- Road Safety Plan
- Walkability Audit
- Cycling on Sidewalks
- Markham Cycling Day - costs and tasks
- Active Transportation Charter

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee adjourned at 8:55 PM.