



## **CYCLING AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014  
CIVIC CENTRE – CANADA ROOM**

### **MINUTES**

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#### **Attendance**

##### Committee:

David Rawcliffe, Chair  
Peter Miasek, Vice-Chair  
Elisabeth Tan  
Rachael Woodroffe  
Joe Cimer  
Joe Doria  
Paul Salvo  
Gordon Cole  
Ken Deering  
Zain Khan  
Dan Gilligan  
Gordon Lawson  
Arup Mukherjee  
Councillor Howard Shore  
Councillor Don Hamilton

##### Staff:

Brian Lee, Sr. Manager, Special Projects  
Fion Ho, TDM Coordinator  
Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator

##### Agency Members:

Shawn Dillon, York Region  
Shawn Smith, York Region  
Theresa Ko-Cheung, York Region Public Health  
Pam Lalani, York Region Health Services  
Wincy Tsang, Smart Commute Markham  
Lindsay Taylor, Smart Commute Markham

The Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee convened at 7:02 p.m. with Mr. David Rawcliffe presiding as Chair.

#### **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

None disclosed.

**1. MINUTES OF THE MARKHAM  
CYCLING & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 21, 2013**

The Committee approved the minutes from the November 21, 2013 Cycling & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (CPAC) as presented.

**2. GUEST**

The Committee was advised that Brian Lee, Senior Manager, Special Projects will also be the staff lead for the Cycling & Pedestrian Advisory Committee. Staff introduced the four new CPAC members and there was a round table introduction of all Committee members.

Staff advised that Gerald Corbett and Winston Stewart's terms have expired and extended their thanks for all their time served with CPAC.

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

Highway 7 Cycle Track Update

Peter Miasek summarized the details of the meeting he and Elisabeth attended with York Region staff to discuss the proposed Highway 7 cycling facility. There was brief discussion regarding the anticipated construction time for this cycling facility.

Elisabeth Tan addressed the Committee advising that she and Peter have drafted a motion relative to the Highway 7 Cycle Track and reviewed the motion. It was suggested that the motion be passed at tonight's meeting and placed on the February agenda for Development Services Committee meeting for consideration together with tonight's minutes.

Moved by Elisabeth Tan  
Seconded by Joe Cimer

Whereas on October 22, 2013 there was a commitment from Regional staff to build a unidirectional in-boulevard bicycle facility between Town Centre Blvd. and Sciberras Rd. at sidewalk level, separated from the sidewalk and separated from motorized vehicles; and,

Whereas this showcase facility located in Markham Centre will attract a larger group of cyclists of all ages; and,

Whereas the vision for Markham Centre is to support active transportation and transit; and,

Whereas the Final Draft OTM Book 18 offers two options to treat in-boulevard bike facilities at a signalized intersection: Figure 4.86 (transition to conventional on-road bike lane) **or** Figure 4.87 (carried through an intersection, also known as a Cross Ride); and,

Whereas the Final Draft Book 18 is soon to be finalized and shortly to be followed by an amendment to the Highway Traffic Act Section 144(29) to allow Cross Rides; and,

Whereas Figure 4.87 is more cyclist friendly, provides more separation from traffic and offers less interference with a curb side bus stop; and,

Whereas York Region's "Designing Great Streets: Context Sensitive Solutions" recommends a speed limit of 40-50 km/hr. for "Urban Centre" Regional Road; and,

Whereas the speed limit on Highway 7 east of Sciberras Road is 50 km/hr; and,

Now therefore be it resolved:

- 1) That the Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (CPAC) strongly endorses Cross Rides as per figure 4.87 of Ontario Traffic Manual (OTM) Book 18 at signalized intersections and private driveways between Town Centre Blvd. and Sciberras Rd.; and,
- 2) That a speed limit of 50 km/hr. for Highway 7 in Markham Centre be confirmed; and further,
- 3) That Markham Council support this resolution and forward a copy to York Regional Council for action.

CARRIED

#### Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee 2014 Plan

Peter Miasek reviewed the proposed CPAC 2014 plan.

The following suggestions were proposed:

- Add Ken Deering as the lead for the 2014 GIRO
- Zain Khan will be the lead for the "Tour of Markham"
- Joe Cimer and Pam Lalani will be the lead for Jane's walk

Peter advised that he will make the changes and circulate the document to the members. All members were encouraged to volunteer if they can for any of the items. It was noted that this plan is anticipated to be presented to the Development Services Committee in March 2014.

#### **4. ADJOURNMENT**

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The Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee adjourned at 8:36 p.m.