

CYCLING AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011 CIVIC CENTRE – YORK ROOM

MINUTES

Attendance

Committee:	Regrets:
David Rawcliffe, Vice-Chair	James Lin (MEAC representative)
Gordon Walter	Arup Mukherjee
Gerald Corbett	Winston Stewart
Councillor Don Hamilton	Silvana Farrace-Perry, York Region
Councillor Howard Shore	Megan Lui, York Catholic and York Region District School
Peter Miasek	Boards
Rachael Woodroffe	Wincy Tsang, Smart Commute Markham, Richmond Hill
Elizabeth Tan	
Joseph Cimer	<u>Staff</u> :
Philip Chan	Brian Lee, Manager of Development Engineering
	& Transportation
Agency Members:	Rachel Prudhomme, Manager Special Projects Engineering
Jennifer Wong, York Region	Department
Yvonne Kaczor Liszkiewicz, York Region	Alida Tari, Committee Clerk

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

1. ROUND TABLE INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair suggested that everyone introduce themselves.

2. ORIENTATION PRESENTATION AND APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

The Council/Committee Coordinator delivered an Orientation PowerPoint presentation to the Committee.

Moved by Councillor Howard Shore Seconded by Peter Miasek

That David Rawcliffe be appointed as the Chair for the Cycling and Pedestrian Committee for the term ending November 30, 2014.

CARRIED

Moved by Elizabeth Tan Seconded by Councillor Howard Shore

That Peter Miasek be appointed as the Vice-Chair for the Cycling and Pedestrian Committee for the term ending November 30, 2014.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF THE MARKHAM CYCLING AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2011

Moved by Councillor Don Hamilton Seconded by Peter Miasek

That the minutes of the Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting held on September 22, 2011, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. UPDATE ON MARKHAM STREET DETAILED DESIGN

Peter Miasek summarized the discussions related to Village Parkway South Environmental Assessment (EA) and Markham Road from 16th Avenue to Major Mackenzie Drive (the Committee members were provided with hard copies of Peter's notes).

The Committee suggested that staff provide the Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (CPAC) a list of planned sidewalks prior to going out for tender for their input. It was also suggested that when notices are being sent out for an Environmental Assessment process on collector roads the notices be brought forward to CPAC for consideration.

The Committee discussed the importance of having proper signage along Multi Use Pathways (MUP's). Staff advised that they are working with York Region with respect to the signage for the MUP along Major Mackenzie Drive. Yvonne Kaczor Liszkiewicz, York Region advised the Committee that some facilities along Regional Roads will be unsigned if the pathway is not continuous.

Peter Miasek advised the Committee that there was a Community Liason Meeting held in September and that things are moving along well. He indicated that there is one small piece of pathway near the Milne Dam Conservation Area that needs further discussions/considerations. It is anticipated that the EA will be filed in January/February 2012. Elizabeth Tan advised the Committee that she and Peter Miasek met with Loy Cheah and Steve Kemp from York Region regarding Highway 7 from Siberras to Town Centre Blvd., but have not received any information on the road design to date. Peter Miasek indicated that he will try to call Loy Cheah. The Committee suggested that discussions should also take place with Regional staff regarding Warden Avenue (from 16th Avenue to Major Mackenzie Drive) and 9th Line (from Major Mackenzie Drive to Hoover).

Moved by Peter Miasek Seconded by Gord Walter

That the Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (CPAC) request York Region to engage in a design review meeting with representatives from CPAC to discuss the design review for Warden Avenue from 16th Avenue to Major Mackenzie Drive and 9th Line from Major Mackenzie Drive to Hoover by November 30, 2011.

CARRIED

Elizabeth Tan addressed the Committee to alert them of the concern related to the traffic calming on Village Parkway North and Carleton Road. She believes that the traffic calming pushes cyclists closer to the vehicles. There was discussion regarding unwarranted stop signs.

Staff advised that the Engineering department has ordered a copy of the CROW Design Manual. Staff indicated that they will be working toward creating cycling standards for the Town.

The Committee received a copy of a letter from Councillor Valerie Burke providing an update for Henderson Avenue in Thornhill.

5. TOWN SURVEY

Staff advised that they forwarded the questions suggested by CPAC and indicated that the survey has been delayed to some time in the first quarter of 2012.

6. SOCIAL MEDIA

Councillor Howard Shore advised that he has created a Facebook page for CPAC however it will likely be about another month until it is ready to be published.

There was brief discussion regarding the Town of Markham's Facebook and whether CPAC can utilize that page.

7. 2012 BUDGET FOR CYCLING AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES

There was brief discussion regarding CPAC reviewing the Engineering Capital and Operating Budgets to ensure that what is budgeted for future pathways is adequate.

8. FUTURE MEETING DATES

The Committee agreed that the following will be the future CPAC meeting dates:

- November 24, 2011
- December No meeting
- January 19, 2011
- February 23, 2011
- March 22, 2011
- April 26, 2011
- May 24, 2011
- June 21, 2011

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Cycling and Pedestrian Committee adjourned at 9:05 PM.