

MEMO to Council

TO:

Mayor and Councillors

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Andy Taylor, CAO

Jim Baird, Commissioner, Development Services

FROM:

Brian Lee, Director of Engineering (x 4838)

DATE:

June 27, 2017

Re:

Bike Sharing

Recommendation

That staff be requested to bring forward an information report regarding bike sharing technology, and opportunities for bike sharing in the City of Markham, for consideration by Development Services Committee.

Background

At the May 18, 2017 Cycling and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (CPAC) meeting, CPAC members heard a presentation on a bike sharing proposal by Dropbike. The presentation included the operational plan, the advantages of such a system, and how it may benefit Markham. CPAC endorsed the concept, and recommended that staff work with this company to investigate the feasibility of a 90-day pilot project.

<u>Discussion</u>

At the June 26 Development Services Committee, a deputation was made by Peter Miasek representing CPAC and Afraj Gill of Dropbike, and they introduced the bike sharing proposal to DSC. As a result of the discussion at DSC, staff was requested to investigate and gather information about bike sharing technology, and opportunities for bike sharing in the City of Markham.