

HAMILTON CYCLING COMMITTEE (HCyC) MINUTES

Wednesday, February 1, 2012 5:30 p.m. Room 192, 1st Floor City Hall 71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Chair: Andrea Kita (regrets)

Vice-All: Marc Risdale

Members: Sharon Gibbons Marisa Di Censo Bob Brown

Brian Chewter Pauline McKinley Brad Tyleman Roger Tupper Bob Corsini Tyler Shepherd

Jordan Fysh

Absent with

Regrets: Chris Hastings, Brad Stapleton, Walter Furlan, Councillor McHattie

Also Present: Daryl Bender – PW staff

Ed O'Hara - visitor

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/INTRODUCTIONS

The two new committee members were warmly welcomed.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

none

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(Moved/Seconded)

3.1 HCyC meeting minutes, dated Jan 11, 2012 were approved. **CARRIED**

4. CONSENT ITEMS

none

5. PRESENTATIONS

none

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Correspondence:

- The committee members anticipate a response from LRT staff regarding accommodations for cyclists.
- Andrea sending the letter to explore additional bike parking accommodations at City Hall.
- Daryl to follow-up with questions raised by the HCyC on the issue of "chip & tar" rural road resurfacing.

6.2 Special Projects:

- PanAm Velodrome – It appears that the velodrome will be in Milton.

6.3 Education

- Can-Bike the HCyC looks forward to Can-Bike classes offered this spring through the City Recreation Division. Feedback of details thus far include: 1) the cost may be a bit high also consider setting a family rate (to offer a better deal); 2) a lower city location would be advantageous thus good that McMaster University is looking to offer classes. Perhaps we can collect some info from other municipalities on Can-Bike classes including: cost, programs offered, and participation.
- Car magnets with the continued success of the magnets, the committee is pursuing some car stickers since more people may be ready to apply a more permanent message on their car. Motion: Given \$3000 is budgeted for this promotion, spend \$2500 on car magnets and \$500 on stickers of the same size/design. Moved/Seconded/CARRIED
- Cycling safety advertizing the subcommittee presented a plan including eight activities including on-street advertizing of the message "Share the Road... everywhere". Motion: The Committee approves in principal the ideas presented and agrees to the proposed budget. The subcommittee is to continue developing the plan. Moved/Seconded/CARRIED

6.4 Promotion

- Tourism Award the HCyC has been nominated for an award and a few members plan to attend.
- Welcome Cyclists the City Museums have made a great effort to provide bike racks at their facilities, so many of them are now part of this network. Daryl to review bike racks at Hamilton Conservation Authority facilities.
- Bike-to-Work Day is set for Monday, May 28, 2012
- HCyC info booth The HCyC is ready for the Toronto International Bike Show and scheduling of volunteers is almost finalized. (March 2 -
 - 4). Motion: Committee members helping staff the booth will be reimbursed for parking or GO Transit fare; and also for fuel only if transporting the materials for the booth.
- Website current content of the webpages was circulated.

6.5 Budget

- Cycling Volunteer & Capital accounts - no updates

6.6 Planning

- Members were reminded of the following studies: the Pedestrian Master Plan, Hwy 8 Greensville EA (warning signage was noted along this section of Hwy 8), Waterdown Rd, Strathcona, and ROPA9.
- The members were informed that Canada Bread is a Smart Commute Hamilton partner (including bike racks, etc.) and plans are in the works for a similar arrangement with Maple Leaf once they are operational.

6.7 Project Updates

- Bike racks the committee will inquire on the status of unique artistic bike racks
- The committee noted that the plan for a northbound bike lane on Victoria Avenue is very positive.
- Fifty Rd is planned to have bike lanes this year from North Service Rd northerly to the lake.
- Lift Bridge a brief email from MP Mike Wallace's office was shared with the committee which stated that Public Works and Government Services Canada's tendering for the design and maintenance work "is to include the specifications that would support the additional weight load of a pedestrian/cycling system on the lake side. The addition of a pedestrian path is still a consideration."

6.8 Maintenance

- The winter maintenance pilot of bike lanes is proceeding. Initial results of the on-line survey were presented.
- Some emails have been received expressing concern about mud tracking onto bike lanes around the city. They are being addressed.

7. GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Peter Topalovic of the City's TDM office is to be invited to the next meeting to discuss bike cage locations, the bike share program, and the possibility of adding coin-operated bike lockers at City Hall.

8. ADJOURNMENT

(Moved/Seconded)

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 7:30 p.m.