



Hamilton

HAMILTON CYCLING COMMITTEE (HCyC) MINUTES

Wednesday, Jan 8, 2014

6:00 p.m.

La Luna Restaurant

Hamilton

Present:	Chair:	Andrea Kita		
	Vice-All:	Marc Risdale		
	Members:	Roger Tupper	Bob Corsini	Bob Brown
		Brian Chewter	Brad Tyleman	Marisa Di Censo
		Tyler Shepherd	Sharon Gibbons	Pauline McKinley

Absent with

Regrets: Jordan Fysh, Councillor McHattie

Also Present: PW staff (Daryl Bender)

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/INTRODUCTIONS

none

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

none

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(Moved/Seconded)

3.1 HCyC meeting minutes, dated Nov 6, 2013 were approved. **CARRIED**

3.2 HCyC meeting minutes, dated Dec 4, 2013 were approved as amended.
CARRIED

4. CONSENT ITEMS

none

5. PRESENTATIONS

none

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Cycling Successes

- The great interest in cycling in Hamilton at the Toronto Bike show
- Participation and interest at the Ancaster Farmers' Market
- Participation and interest at OpenStreets on James St N, including the demonstrations of the bike rack on the front of HSR busses
- The new version of the Hamilton bike map looks great, including the instructions on how to use the bike rack on the front of HSR busses
- Queensdale Ave bike lanes pilot
- The addition of 5km of bike lanes to Hwy 8 in Stoney Creek
- Community engagement and Council support for Cannon St bike lanes
- CBC coverage of the HCyC presentation to PWC
- The release of the Provincial Cycling Strategy
- Continued efforts by Council and staff in pursuit of a lake-side crossing of the lift bridge
- The success of the annual Share The Road campaign and the financial support received from the MTO
- Acknowledgements from other places across Canada and beyond of the HCyC Share The Road campaign
- The provision of valet bike parking at major Hamilton events by the OpenStreets organization

6.2 Cycling Frustrations

- The Councillor veto of cycling projects
- Accommodation for cyclists on rural roads
- Improved integration of various modes is needed eg. Transit Only Lane, Governor's Rd
- Cutting the cycling capital budget by \$100,000 in 2014
- The slow rate of progress to expand the cycling network
- The lack of action to achieve the funicular as is described in the Transportation Master Plan (2007)
- The winter maintenance of bike lanes could be better

6.3 Actions Envisioned for 2014

- Develop an integrated strategy to avoid one mode of transport taking priority over other modes
- Complete bike lanes on Cannon St and Melvin Ave from the Red Hill Valley to York Blvd to Dundurn Castle

6.4 Other Discussion

- The committee reviewed text to be posted on the web to encourage citizens to provide comments on the winter maintenance of bike lanes in Hamilton (the on-going pilot).

- The Environmental Assessment for Rymal Rd and Garth St, recommending bike lanes on both streets, has been completed. The associated report now goes to PWC.

7. GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS

none

8. ADJOURNMENT

(Moved/Seconded)

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