

# **HAMILTON CYCLING COMMITTEE (HCyC) MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 3, 2015
5:30 p.m.
Room 192, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor
City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

**Present:** Chair: Andrea Kita (regrets)

Vice-All: Marc Risdale

Members: Brad Tyleman Bob Corsini Bob Brown

Brian Chewter Sharon Gibbons Jordan Fysh Roger Tupper Tyler Shepherd Marisa Di Censo

**Absent with** 

**Regrets:** Pauline McKinley

Also Present: PW staff (Steve Molloy, Yishan Liu, Daryl Bender), Kevin Love, Dan

Botham

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/ INTRODUCTIONS

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

none

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(Moved/Seconded)

3.1 HCyC meeting minutes, dated May 6, 2015, were approved. **CARRIED** 

4. CONSENT ITEMS

none

5. PRESENTATIONS

none

#### 6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Steve Molloy, Project Manager for the Transportation Master Plan and Cycling Master Plan update, discussed upcoming Public Information Centres (PICs) and the concept of complete streets that the updates are aiming to achieve. The Master Plans aim to balance competing interests, accommodate different types of users, increase cycling mode share, and identify priority actions. The PICs are a good opportunity to provide input. Information about the study can be found at <a href="http://www.hamilton.ca/city-planning">http://www.hamilton.ca/city-planning</a>. A variety of ideas were discussed including the importance of multi-use trail connections to on-street cycling routes and the process of Councillor approval of individual cycling projects.

# 6.1 Correspondence

**Public School Board –** An email describing bike parking resources has been sent to the School Board.

**Trinity Church Rd** – Residents expressed concern about students cycling on this rural road. HCyC recognizes the need for messaging to students through the schools and ultimately installing cycling infrastructure.

**Community mailboxes –** Acknowledgements of receipt from the Prime Minister's Office and the Hamilton District Labour Council were shared.

**Committee renewal –** Members were notified that the Review of Advisory Committees Report will be presented to Councillors on July 6.

6.2 Updates from HCyC Reps on Committees

**PATH** – This organization is renamed "Cycle Hamilton" for a stronger focus on cycling rather than the more general "Active Transportation".

**Community in Motion Awards** – Members congratulated fellow member Jordan Fysh for being named Advocate of the Year.

6.3 Maintenance No updates

## 6.4 Budget

Staff are to print more of the "10 Route" pamphlets, no edits required. It was suggested that perhaps members could opt to have an annual SoBi membership rather than a parking pass for a bike cage or a refund of auto parking expenses, recognizing that mode options exist to attend meetings.

6.5 Discussion Items

**Transportation Master Plan/ Cycling Master Plan Updates – Members** brainstormed more ideas for the updates of these master plans.

6.6 Building the Network and Councillor Outreach

**Charlton/Herkimer bike lanes –** Staff are preparing modified bike lane design drawings for both streets.

**Cannon St bike lanes & Pipeline Trail –** The planned bike lanes east of the stadium are planned to be installed later this summer.

It was noted that modifications for the Cycle Track are needed at the Sherman Ave intersection; and secondly, staff were asked to consider reflective tape on the planter boxes.

**Greenhill Ave –** Roger described issues along the street to the committee members. A meeting with Councillor Collins is scheduled and Brad, Tyler, and Roger plan to attend.

**Queensdale Ave –** Proceeding with the plan to install bicycle sharrows, and the changes to parking are to be implemented incrementally.

**Highland Rd/ Winterberry Dr –** Members await a decision by Councillor Conley regarding planned bike lanes.

**Governor's Rd** - Sharrows had been installed to provide positive accommodation for cyclists however the Councillor had directed staff to have them removed. The Councillor has requested that a review of the street be conducted for all modes before any action is undertaken. She also regards the current road conditions to be too poor for cyclists. Andrea has been asked to draft an email to the Councillor.

## 6.7 Other Bicycle Infrastructure Projects

PanAm Greenway and the new West Harbour GO station – Members were updated on bicycle parking plans at the new GO station, a SoBi station, and the branding of the route between this GO station and the new stadium as the PanAm Greenway, part of the Trans-Canada Trail.

#### 6.8 Public Education

**Share the Road campaign –** The annual installation of the "Pass Safely" posters on the HSR busses is underway.

#### **Events:**

- MEC Bikefest Sunday May 24, was well attended, about 150 maps distributed, and good interest in SoBi.
- Pedal Power for Health in June, Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup>
- Ancaster Farmers' Market trying to connect with the organizers
- Seniors Wellness @ Sackville Hill late June, Sharon considering staffing the HCyC booth
- Open Streets Jordan and Kevin will consider sharing the staffing of the HCyC booth

# 7. GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS

#### **Events/conferences**

Trailhead Conference – Community Day, Sun June 7
City setting up a booth to get public feedback for the Trails Master Plan.
Joint Cttes of Western Lake Ontario – Sat May 30, Grimsby

The attendees included Niagara to Mississauga to Waterloo. Lots of shared experience was discussed, with two key messages to advance:

- 1) That only eBikes that <u>require</u> pedal assist ("Pedelecs") be permitted on multi-use trails
- 2) That bicycle education be included in all schools, as part of safety curriculum.

**Highway Traffic Act (HTA) –** The Ontario Legislature recently passed changes to the HTA to advance cycling in Ontario.

# 8. ADJOURNMENT (Moved/Seconded)

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