

HAMILTON CYCLING COMMITTEE (HCyC) MINUTES

Wednesday September 2, 2020 5:45 p.m. Virtual Meeting

Present:	Vice-Chair:	Chris Ritsma Sharon Gibbons Ann McKay, Kevin Vander Meulen, Jeff Axisa, Cora Muis, Jane Jamnik, Gary Grogerson, Roman Caruk, Christine Yachouh, and Jessica Merolli
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Absent with

Regrets: Councillor Esther Pauls, Councillor Terry Whitehead, Joachim Brouwer, William Oates, Kate Berry, and Cathy Sutherland

Also Present: Rachel Johnson, Project Manager, Sustainable Mobility Daryl Bender, Project Manager, Active Transportation Ciaran Egan, Sustainable Mobility Student

1. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

None

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(Yachouh/Merolli)

That Cycling Accommodation During Construction Detours (PED20147/PW20056) be added to today's agenda under item 10, Discussion.

CARRIED

Hamilton Cycling Committee Minutes

(Yachouh/Merolli)

That the agenda of the September 2, 2020 meeting of the Hamilton Cycling Committee be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(i) February 5, 2020 (Item 4.1)

(Merolli/Caruk)

That the minutes of the February 5, 2020 meeting of the Hamilton Cycling Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(ii) March 4, 2020 (Item 4.2)

(Merolli/Vander Muelen)

That the minutes of the March 4, 2020 meeting of the Hamilton Cycling Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

5. COMMUNICATIONS

None

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

None

7. CONSENT ITEMS

None

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS

None

9. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

None

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

(i) Planning and Project Updates (Item 10.1)

Update from staff that cycling projects have been accelerated to help provide residents with sustainable transportation options during COVID-19, as part of the COVID Mobility Recovery Plan. Staff commented on several projects completed this year including Locke St. extension and Cannon St. East. Staff updated the Committee on projects which are slated for construction this year including the Keddy Trail, and projects which have been delayed.

The Committee asked questions about the Queen Street conversion and staff confirmed safety measures for cyclists were installed at the Queen St. and Hunter St. intersection.

(Vander Muelen/Jamnik)

That the updates regarding cycling infrastructure project updates be received.

CARRIED

(ii) 2020-2021 Workplan (Item 10.2)

Berry continues to work on 2020-2021 workplan, with recognition that this year is exceptional. An update will be made at the October meeting on progress made to date.

Ritsma would like to confirm if the ongoing COVID situation will affect budgets for the committee in the coming year. Staff will look into this, and return to committee with an answer in the October meeting.

Merolli would like to continue discussion for creating a workplan regarding how this committee spends and distributes its events budget. Merolli is willing to begin work on such a workplan.

(iii) Bike Month (Item 10.3)

Update from staff that Bike Month is taking place September in 2020. The annual Tour De Hospital event is happening the evening of September 2nd, and other events are being scheduled throughout the month. The City is also running a contest that includes prizes.

(iv) COVID-19 Recovery Phase Mobility Plan (Item 10.4)

In June the City released a mobility plan, recognizing shifting travel demands during COVID-10. This plan includes enhancing existing infrastructure to make it more comfortable and attractive for people of all ages and abilities to use.

Discussion was held around public engagement for these projects, which has not yet taken place. Staff confirmed that all funding for the plan came from existing sources and from Councillors.

(v) Cycling Speeds on Multi-Use Trails (Item 10.5)

Committee members expressed concern regarding high-speed cyclists on multi-use facilities. The Committee reviewed signage from Parks designed to address the issue, and asked for an update at a future meeting regarding findings from the City in regard to this issue.

(vi) Cycling Accommodation During Construction Detours (PED20147/PW20056) (Added Item 10.6)

In 2019 Cycle Hamilton delegated to Council to ask that there be better engagement with the public surrounding cycling projects. Yachouh would like to bring attention to the fact that the official motion from the Council suggests, but does not bind, the Council to do so. Additionally, the report recommends engagement prior to construction phases, which as noted by Cycle Hamilton during their presentation is too late to make comment on any of the designs. The enhanced principles recommended to Council are based on existing guidelines, which are flawed. Yachouh proposes that the Committee write a delegation to go to Council prior to the September 11, 2020 Public Works Committee Meeting.

(Caruk/Vander Muelen)

That Christine Yachouh be authorized to submit a delegation request to Public Works Committee, on behalf of the Hamilton Cycling Committee, for the purposed of delegating respecting Report PED20147/PW20056 respecting Cycling Accommodation During Construction Detours.

CARRIED

Pursuant to Section 5.4(4) of the City of Hamilton's Procedural By-law 18-270 at 7:52pm the Staff Liaison to the Committee advised those in attendance that quorum had been lost for the Hamilton Cycling Committee.

(vii) Review of HCyC Monthly Meeting Dates (Item 10.7)

The item has been deferred to the October 7, 2020 meeting, due to the loss of quorum

11. MOTIONS

The following items have been deferred to the October 7, 2020 meeting, due to loss of quorum:

- (i) Elfrida (Item 11.1)
- (ii) Land Use Planning (GRIDS 2) (Item 11.2)
- (iii) Truck Route Master Plan Review (Item 11.3)
- (iv) Bill 148, Doored But Not Ignored Act, 2019 (Item 11.4)

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

None

13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

None

14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Due to loss of quorum, the meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Ritsma Chair, Hamilton Cycling Committee

Rachel Johnson Project Manager, Sustainable Mobility Transportation Planning, Planning & Economic Development