



# Hamilton

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

Wednesday, November 2, 2011

5:30 p.m.

Room 192, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

City Hall

71 Main Street West, Hamilton

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**Present:** Chair: Andrea Kita (regrets)  
Vice-All: Marc Risdale – Acting Chair  
Members: Sharon Gibbons Roger Tupper Bob Brown  
Brian Chewter Pauline McKinley Brad Tyleman  
Bob Corsini Walter Furlan Marisa Di Censo

**Absent with**

**Regrets:** Chris Hastings, Brad Stapleton, Councillor McHattie

**Also Present:** Daryl Bender, PW - Traffic Engineering  
Tyler Shepherd – visitor  
Margaret Taylor – visitor  
Matt Dempster – visitor

**1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/INTRODUCTIONS**

Marc chaired in Andrea's absence

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

none

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**(Moved/Seconded)**

3.1 HCyC meeting minutes, dated Oct 5, 2011 were approved.

**CARRIED**

**4. CONSENT ITEMS**

none

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

none

## 6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 6.1 Correspondence:

- A letter to raise the issue of the effects of “chip & tar” rural road resurfacing was finalized. **Daryl to email.**

### 6.2 Special Projects:

- PanAm Velodrome – The members reviewed the current status of the velodrome given the Oct 11 Council decision. The members feel it is critical to understand the current status of private donations to help finance the possible velodrome in Hamilton. **Daryl to follow-up with City staff in Community Services dealing with the velodrome planning.**
- Ontario Coroner’s Report – **Walter is to investigate the process to make submissions** to this recently announced study of cycling fatalities in the Province of Ontario as the committee is considering making a submission.
- Hamilton Bike Share – **Marc is preparing HCyC comments to submit to City staff** regarding the draft report that was shared with committee members in October.

### 6.3 Education

- Can-Bike – the Can-Bike 2 and Can-Bike Instructor Course classes in Hamilton are full. Once these classes are finished in November there will be qualified instructors to offer Can-Bike cycling safety courses in Hamilton.
- Driver Education – The letter drafted by the HCyC to be sent to the MTO summarizing education issues will be reviewed by PWC on November 7. Some HCyC members are considering attending.

### 6.4 Promotion

- HCyC booth – **Roger is initiating discussions with staff at Battlefield House to provide a bike parking service at the War of 1812 re-enactment in June 2012.**

### 6.5 Budget

- Committee account – **Bob B. making arrangements to update signing authority** for the Executive.
- City Volunteer Committee account – the status of the budget submission for 2012 was reviewed. A few committee members plan to attend the PWC meeting on November 21 when this budget will be considered.
- Cycling Capital account – the proposed 2012 budget submission for this account is \$300,000 as is the typical annual amount. Additional funds may be spent on cycling infrastructure through specific road reconstruction projects, new development projects, and through off-road trail projects. **Bob B. is investigating historical funding trends. Daryl to inquire how cycling access is being planned for**

**employees at the new Canada Bread and Maple Leaf facilities** – such as showers, bike parking, and cycling access.

6.6 Planning

- Members were reminded of the following studies: the Pedestrian Master Plan, cycling winter maintenance, Hwy 8 Greenville, and Waterdown Rd

6.7 Project Updates

- Bike racks – additional racks were requested by the Central Library/Farmers' Market. Daryl reported that City Culture staff are investigating increasing this bike rack supply.
- The official opening event of the **Hamilton-Brantford Rail Trail: Canadian Pacific Link** (CP Rail Trail over Hwy 403) on October 26 was well attended by people that worked on the project, including a Canadian Pacific representative, and enthusiastic residents.
- Councillor bike rides – the members reviewed planned bike lane projects to determine which Councillor should be approached next to review cycling projects in their ward.
- Cycling projects currently being considered or in various stages of planning include: Victoria Ave, Woodward Ave (north of Brampton St), sections of Hwy 8 in Stoney Creek, West 5<sup>th</sup> St, Hatt St, Mt Albion Rd, King St/Main St (near/over Hwy 403), Hunter St/Wellington St (south of Hunter), Highland Rd, and off-street connections near the Aberdeen Ave/Studholme Rd intersection. Also, planning is underway to investigate moving the eastbound bike lane on Markland St to Herkimer St, which will improve connectivity from further west. Dundurn St bike lanes (York Blvd to King St) are to be painted in the early spring 2012.

6.8 Maintenance

- No updates

**7. GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS**

7.1 A Hamilton success of note: **McMaster University** was highlighted in the Mclean's magazine rankings as being in the **TOP 5 for cycling in Canada**.

7.2 An impressive addition to the Lake Ontario Waterfront Trail has been created in Burlington/Oakville with about 2.5 km of new bike lanes on Lakeshore Blvd.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**(Moved/Seconded)**

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