

Windsor Bicycling Committee – Meeting held April 24, 2018

A meeting of the Windsor Bicycling Committee is held this day commencing at 5:00 o'clock p.m. in Room 407, 400 City Hall Square East, there being present the following members:

Amy Farkas, Chair
Councillor Rino Bortolin
Robert DiMaio
Klaus Dohring

Regrets received from:

Anthony Ventimiglia
Dr. Chris Waters

Guest in attendance:

Lori Newton, Bike Windsor Essex

Also present are the following resource personnel:

Dwayne Dawson, Executive Director, Operations
Josette Eugeni, Manager of Transportation Planning
Kevin Morse, Windsor Essex County Health Unit
Constable Dale Roorda, Windsor Police Services
Karen Kadour, Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 5:05 o'clock p.m. and the Committee considers the Agenda being Schedule "A" attached hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

2. Declarations of Conflict

The Chair discloses an interest on matters relating to Bike Windsor Essex as she is a member of the Board.

3. Adoption of the Minutes

Moved by R. DiMaio, seconded by Councillor Bortolin,
That the minutes of the Windsor Bicycling Committee of its meeting held
February 8, 2018 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.
Carried.

4. Business Items

4.1 Active Transportation Master Plan – Walk Wheel Windsor

The Chair reports she and K. Dohring attended the Active Transportation Master Plan Community Stakeholders meeting held at the WFCU Centre. She encourages members to participate in the survey at WalkWheelWindsor.ca.

Lori Newton, Bike Windsor Essex states the document entitled “Community Input for the 2018 City of Windsor Active Transportation Plan – Bike Windsor Essex” has been prepared to provide community input for the 2018 Active Transportation Plan. The recommendations and data were generated through consultations with the cycling community in Windsor and Essex County. She adds this report has been provided to Urban Systems, Consultant for the Plan, Mayor Dilkens, City Councillors and Mayor Duggan, City of Detroit.

Moved by Councillor Bortolin, seconded by K. Dohring,
That the document entitled Community Input for the 2018 City of Windsor Active Transportation Plan provided by Bike Windsor Essex **BE RECEIVED**.
Carried.

4.2 Bike Safety Enforcement Week

Constable Dale Roorda states the numbers were weak during the 2017 Bike Safety Enforcement week, but adds Windsor Police Services enforce what they can. It is noted June is Bike Month.

Constable Roorda and K. Morse volunteer to assist with facilitating public service announcements to be advertised during Bike Safety week that may include share the road and the one metre rule.

Councillor Bortolin suggests the public service ads be shown on Facebook as it is less costly and can be shared with other groups. The Chair indicates she will investigate the Face Book options including prices and will report back.

Moved by Councillor Bortolin, seconded by R. DiMaio,
That **APPROVAL BE GIVEN** to an expenditure in the upset amount of \$400 for the placement of Public Service Announcements relating to bike safety on Facebook for the month of June 2018.

Carried.

4.3 Transportation Planning Update

J. Eugeni advises reports relating to the Windsor Bike Share Program and the Seminole Street Bicycle Lanes will be presented to Council on May 7, 2018.

D. Dawson indicates a representative from BT Engineering will be present for the discussion at a future Council meeting relating to bicycle road safety audits.

In terms of the Seminole Street bicycle lanes, K. Dohring states at the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee meeting held April 18, 2018, he suggested the use of physical separations, i.e. larger buffers be utilized due to safety concerns. The Chair adds there is no physical separation in the east/west connection.

D. Dawson responds there are specific roadway conditions that influence when physical separations for bike lanes are appropriate. A concern relating to the removal of on-street parking on Seminole Street has been received but it is unclear at this time if they will be registering to be a delegate at the upcoming meeting of Council.

As it relates to the City Wide Bike Share Program, the Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee at its meeting held April 18, 2018 supported undertaking a peer review of the Student Report to potentially lower the estimated \$70,000 for a consultant study.

J. Eugeni refers to Decision Number ETPS 595 of the Standing Committee and quotes #3 of the motion which states:

“That the original study undertaken by the Engineering students and updated statistics provided by the University of Windsor Student Alliance BE INCORPORATED into the functional analysis.”

Constable Roorda states he visited New York City and free amenities were offered at his hotel which included free internet and a one hour use of a bicycle to tour the city. He suggests this be offered in the City of Windsor.

J. Eugeni reports she attended the Ontario Bike Summit held April 17-18, 2018 in Toronto and indicates she participated in interesting workshops and there was a great opportunity to network with subject matter experts and municipal peers.

J. Eugeni states attendees at the recent Earth Day celebration were given bike lights and were apprised of Walk Wheel Windsor and the on-line survey.

J.. Eugeni and D. Dawson provide the following highlights of current cycling related activities and projects:

- A public meeting is being hosted for cycling facilities on Totten – Notice to be provided to the Committee Coordinator for distribution
- The City was successful in obtaining \$7,500 in Safe Cycling Education Funds from the Ministry of Tourism Culture and Sport. Funds were used to promote the 1m rule video at Cineplex during March Break and on Tim's TV during the month of March, to purchase sets of bike lights, and to purchase signage to advertise the correct direction of travel in a bike lane on solid waste collection vehicles.
- The following cycling facilities are being finalized or are under construction:
 - Pillette Road
 - Rivard
 - North Service Road Phase 2
 - South Cameron
 - Malden Road
 - Ojibway Parkway
 - Matchette Road
 - Cabana Road Phase 2
 - Riverside Drive – extending west to Lauzon Road
 - Walker Business Park Trail

5. New Business

5.1 Bike to Work Day

L. Newton, Bike Windsor Essex advises three sponsors have been confirmed for the event to be held May 28, 2018 that includes the Walkerville area (leave from Anchor Coffee House), the University of Windsor and Infinity Cycle located on Eugenie Street. She adds the Town of LaSalle may also be a sponsor. Additional logistics of the event includes the following:

- The Bike to Work Day ride will culminate at The Bistro At the River located at 78 Riverside Drive West for a free breakfast. Free t-shirts will be given to the first 100 participants.
- Bike Windsor Essex is looking for sponsors to assist in the purchase of the t-shirts, i.e. Chryslers, Enwin, Caesars Windsor.
- Developing materials to encourage commuter cycling and, Bike Windsor Essex offers to provide lunch and learn sessions for local businesses.

The Chair asks for volunteers for the Bike to Work event and asks how much the WBC would like to contribute for this endeavour. The Chair questions if members wish

to assist in contacting local cycle shops to determine if there is interest in providing a donation for the Bike to Work event.

L. Newton states the quote for food is \$1,500 and notes they are looking for sponsors.

The Chair asks if the WBC wishes to host the Commuter of the Year Award. J. Eugeni inquires if the Windsor Essex County Health Unit is undertaking a commuter challenge. She also offers to assist promoting the application for Commuter of the Year by posting it on Cyclewindsor.ca if the WBC provides the information.

Moved by R. DiMaio, seconded by Councillor Bortolin,
That **APPROVAL BE GIVEN** to an expenditure in the amount of \$1,000 for costs associated with the Bike to Work event to be held on May 28, 2018.
Carried.

6. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 6:45 o'clock p.m.

CHAIR

COMMITTEE COORDINATOR