City of Mississauga Minutes



Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee

Date November 10, 2015

Time 7:00 PM

Location

Committee Room A, 2nd Floor, Civic Centre 300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario L5B 3C1

Members Present

Donnie Morris (Chair) Councillor Chris Fonseca, Ward 3 Irwin Nayer (Vice-Chair) Joanne deCloe David Daglish Jonathan Giggs Edisa Kozo (Arrived 7:17 p.m.) Greg Symons Barbara Hazel Tabuno Dorothy Tomiuk

Members Absent

Roy Buchanan Elaine Theriault

Agency Representatives/City Staff Present

Ben Gomberg, Manager, Active Transportation Andy Bate, Supervisor, Traffic Operations Jacqueline Hunter, Active Transportation Technologist

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http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/cyclingadvisory

- 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> 7:05 PM
- 2. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u>

Approved (J. deCloe)

3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u> - Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Approved (G. Symons)

5. DEPUTATIONS

5.1 <u>Barbertown Bridge Environmental Assessment</u>

Michael Gusche, Project Manager – Park Development, Community Services Department, made a presentation on the Barbertown Bridge Environmental Assessment – Culham Trail connection options.

Mr. Gusche provided background information on the Barbertown Bridge, the existing conditions of the Barbertown Bridge, the environmental assessment conducted, and described the design options and the advantages/disadvantages and challenges with the design options.

Ben Gomberg, Manager of Active Transportation, inquired about funding and timeframe for completion of construction, to which Mr. Gusche advised that there is funding of approximately \$1,000,000.00 budgeted for this project and that it is anticipated that once the design option has been determined, construction may begin in 2017.

Citizen Members also inquired about how long the bridge would be closed for construction and why the bridge has not been maintained over the years, to which Mr. Gusche advised that the bridge area would be closed for approximately 6 months and that funding has been the greatest challenge for maintaining the bridge over the years.

RECOMMENDATION

- That the deputation and associated PowerPoint presentation by Michael Gusche, Project Manager, Park Development with respect to Barbertown Bridge Environmental Assessment, Culham Trail connection options, be received.
- That Mississauga Cycling Advisory supports the preferred option design as outlined in the PowerPoint presentation by Michael Gusche, Project Manager Park Development with respect to Barbertown Bridge Environmental Assessment, Culham Trail connection options.

<u>Received</u> (J. Giggs) Recommendation MCAC-0054-2015

6. <u>MATTERS CONSIDERED</u>

6.1 Bike Mississauga Not-for-Profit Update

Jonathan Giggs provided a status update with respect to the establishment of a not-for-profit group to be responsible for the Tour de Mississauga and Community Rides.

Donnie Morris advised that just recently, SustainMobility approached the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee with respect to working together, instead of creating our own group, as SustainMobility already has a structure and they have funding from several agencies/organizations and can deliver on events. The Executive Director of Sustain Mobility feels that the vision and mission of the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee line up with their vision and mission.

Mr. Morris advised that although the vision and mission fit, Mr. Morris has concerns on how they/us would work together. Members discussed other concerns they had with respect to the relationship between the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee and SustainMobility. Dorothy Tomiuk suggested that the subcommittee along with Ben Gomberg and Erica Warsh, meet with representatives of SustainMobility to address any concerns Members have. Ms. Tomiuk asked Members to forward their questions and/or concerns to the subcommittee in advance of a meeting to be scheduled,

RECOMMENDATION

That the Not-for-Profit Steering Committee enter into discussions with representatives of Sustainable Mobility regarding establishing a partnership, and that the Steering Committee report back to the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee at its next meeting.

<u>Referred</u> (Councillor C. Fonseca) Recommendation MCAC-0055-2015

6.2 Active Transportation Update

Ben Gomberg, Manager, Active Transportation provided an update on the grant applications, for a bike way on Thomas Street through the Ontario Municipal Cycling Infrastructure Program. Approximately 140 cities were initially considered, of which the City of Mississauga has passed the expression of interest and have been invited to submit our application, which will be done in the next couple of weeks. Mr. Gomberg thanked Jacqueline Hunter for all her work on the grant application and on this project. Mr. Gomberg also advised that he is waiting on the decision of the Provincial Government with respect to the grant application for cycling training.

Mr. Gomberg has been working on fashioning a vision statement for the Active Transportation office which will outline priorities and vision for a 10 year period. Once complete, Mr. Gomberg will share it with the Members of the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee, which he hopes will help frame the MasterPlan for the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee.

6.3 <u>Communications and Promotion of Cycling-related Issues</u>

Committee Members discussed means of communication to reach cyclists and the general Mississauga population about cycling events and cycling issues. Many suggestions emanated from this discussion which included, asking bike shops, to place a link to the City of Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee page, sending City of Mississauga Councillor's information to place on their Newsletters, working with Traffic Safety Council with respect to promoting and education on cycling, uses of social media such as "thunderclap", and a monthly column in the Mississauga News. The Communications and Promotions Subcommittee will meet over the next several months to discuss all the suggestions presented and will report back to the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee at a future meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Communications and Promotions Subcommittee meet to address the matter of communication and promotion of cycling-related issues to Mississauga residents and report back to the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee at a future meeting.

<u>Referred</u> (I: Nayer) Recommendation MCAC-0056-2015

6.4 2015 Community Rides Update

The Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee (MCAC) Community Rides are now complete for 2015. Donnie Morris reported that the Zombie Ride, with approximately 70 riders registered and Hallowe'en Night Ride, with approximately 50 riders registered, went very well. Donnie Morris asked Dorothy Tomiuk to provide at a future Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee meeting the stats on participation for each of the rides.

6.5 <u>2015 MCAC Event Calendar</u>

The Committee Event Calendar regarding cycling related events in 2015 is now complete. Members will now focus on the planning of 2016 events.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 <u>2016 Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee Meeting Dates</u> Memorandum dated October 23, 2015 from Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, regarding the 2016 Mississauga Advisory Committee meeting dates.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Memorandum dated October 23, 2015 from Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, regarding the 2016 Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee meeting dates, be received.

<u>Referred</u> (J. Giggs) Recommendation MCAC-0057-2015

8. OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 Councillor Fonseca provided an update on a matter that has had discussion at the Toronto Region Conservation Authority and has attended several meetings over the years regarding the Sherway Drive Bridge (Etobicoke Creek Trail). Councillor

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Fonseca advised that the TRCA has dedicated time and funding for this project. It appears that the delay is coming from the City of Toronto. Councillor Fonsenca would like to schedule a meeting with the newly elected Ward Councillor and canvassed Members on who from the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee should be included in that meeting. Mr. Gomberg advised that there should also be City staff representation from Active Transportation and from Community Service.

- 8.2 Councillor Fonseca advised that the transit way stations are scheduled to open in 2016, and that it would be important to have representation from Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee. Members agreed and asked that the Legislative Coordinator look into the opening dates and advise Members.
- 8.3 Donnie Morris advised that Roy Buchanan, Citizen Member, has requested that he be granted leave from attending the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee meetings until April 2016. Members acknowledged Mr. Buchanan's contribution to the Committee and are in support of asking Council's approval for his leave.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee accepts and supports the request from Roy Buchanan, Citizen Member, to be absent from Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee meetings until April 2016.

<u>Carried</u> (Councillor C. Fonseca) Recommendation MCAC-0058-2015

8.4 Irwin Nayer advised that the Joint Cycling Committee of Ontario is looking for a location for their annual Joint Cycling Committee meeting for 2016. Mr. Nayer would like the City of Mississauga to host this event, which would include reserving the venue and allocating a budget for refreshments. Mr. Nayer provided an overview of structure of the meeting and who attends. Committee Members were in support of hosting the 2016.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee supports hosting the 2016 Annual Joint Cycling Committee of Ontario in the City of Mississauga.
- 2. That Irwin Nayer, Vice-Chair, Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee, undertake to coordinate the details of hosting the 2016 Annual Joint Cycling Committee of Ontario.

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- 3. That up to \$700.00 be allocated in the 2016 budget for expenses associated with hosting the 2016 Annual Joint Cycling Committee of Ontario meeting.

<u>Carried</u> (J. Giggs) Recommendation MCAC-0059-2015

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, November 10, 2015 – 7:00 PM, Civic Centre, Committee Room A – 300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, ON L5B 3C1

ADJOURNMENT - 8:48 PM