City of Mississauga

Minutes



Road Safety Committee

Date

2018/01/30

Time

9:33 AM

Location

Civic Centre, Committee Room B - Second Floor, 300 Civic Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1

Members Present

Thomas Barakat, Citizen Member Alaina DeCaire, Citizen Member Anne Marie Hayes, Citizen Member Trevor Howard, Citizen Member Michael Matthew, Citizen Member Tony Power, Citizen Member Anna Ramlakhan, Citizen Member

Members of Council

Councillor Karen Ras (Ward 2):left 11:01AM Councillor Pat Saito (Ward 9)

Tamara Coulson, Citizen Member (Traffic Safety Council Representative)

Leonard Verwey, Citizen Member (Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee Representative)

Members Absent

Alaina DeCaire, Citizen Member

Sunil Sharma, Citizen Member

Agency Representatives/City Staff Present

Raymond Chan, Government Relations Specialist, CAA

Sergeant Sean Cole, Operational Support, Highway Safety Division, OPP (Port Credit Detachment)

Paul Pogue, A/Superintendent, Field Support Services, Peel Regional Police

Melissa Brabant, Regional Marketing Planner, Ministry of Transportation

Seema Ansari, Technical Analyst, Traffic Safety, Peel Region

Sandra Fitzpatrick, Manager, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention Peel Public Health

Colin Patterson, Supervisor, Road Safety, Traffic Management

Andy Bate, Manager Traffic Services, Road Safety

William Wright, Road Safety Technologist

Kimberly Hicks, Communications Advisor

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- 1. **CALL TO ORDER** 9:33 AM
- 2. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> <u>Approved</u> (A. M. Hayes)
- 3. **DELARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** Nil
- 4. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING
- 4.1 Road Safety Committee Minutes December 12, 2017.

Approved (A. M. Hayes)

- 5. **DEPUTATIONS**
- 6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD 15 Minute Limit (5 Minutes per Speaker)

Pursuant to Section 42 of the Council Procedure By-law 0139-2013, as amended:

The Road Safety Committee may grant permission to a member of the public to ask a question of the Road Safety Committee, with the following provisions:

- 1. The question must pertain to a specific item on the current agenda and the speaker will state which item the question is related to.
- 2. A person asking a question shall limit any background explanation to two (2) statements, followed by the question.
- 3. The total speaking time shall be five (5) minutes maximum, per speaker.

7. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

7.1. Committee Brainstorming Session: Critical Ideas and Issues to be addressed in 2018. (60 Minutes)

Councillor Saito introduced the Brain storming discussion and provided the following questions as a guideline.

- 1. What is the key issue(s) that is most prevalent across Mississauga?
- 2. What are the most common complaints and enforcement issues?
- 3. As a citizen, what causes concern?

Members engaged in discussion and concluded the areas of focus for the 2018 Work Plan should include; **Intersection Safety, Distractive Driving and Pedestrian Safety**. Inspector Paul Pogue, Peel Regional Police, discussed that there are already instances of alcohol/drug impaired driving and noted that Police are not expecting a large influx in statistics due to the potential legalizing of Marijuana. As part of the discussion, Councillor

Ras noted, statistics on pedestrian safety would be an asset.

In response to an inquiry from citizen member, Anna Ramlakhan, Colin Patterson, Supervisor, Road Safety, Traffic Management noted Traffic controls are in place to ensure there is enough room for crossing time. There is not an understanding amongst drivers and pedestrians that pedestrians have the right to cross. Activating the light is required to signal the cross. Mr. Patterson further noted that we have the tools but pedestrians are not using them accurately. Inspector Pogue spoke to the fact that streets with lower speed limits are less likely to statistically have accidents whereas, higher speed limits leads to more accidents.

Inspector Pogue noted that the statistics on intersections demonstrate that accidents have increased but injuries have decreased because of red light cameras. Eliminating distracted driving will take years, much like the requirement to wear seatbelts did, years ago. Inspector Pogue further noted that desire for Photo Radar for Community Safety Zones is an emotional response and locations need to be carefully considered. In the coming years, Police fleets will have to change in order to see inside vehicles.

Sandra Fitzpatrick, Manager, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention, Peel Public Health, noted the Region has a team of Public Health nurses that try to work with the schools and parents on travel plans. Ms. Fitzpatrick further noted that there are a number of different tools and initiatives used to try to educate schools. Melissa Brabant, Regional Marketing Planner, Ministry of Transportation noted that Publications Ontario has many tools available on their website.

Raymond Chan, Government Relations Specialist, CAA spoke about the campaigns of CAA and noted that in the past, programs tend to be reactionary and in response, CAA has worked with partners to produce a guide on how to implement policies around school zones and safety. The guide is set to be available by the end of 2018. Existing CAA programs include School Safety Patrol program/ Bus patroller programs.

Kimberly Hicks, Communications Advisor, noted that the City's customer service centre received an estimated 105 calls with respect to driving incidents. As per Councillor Parking is one of the largest complaints from constituents. Councillor Saito discussed the requests from residents for stop signs and noted the feedback is typically positive. Traffic signals require significant justification before installation can be approved.

7.2 Discussion on Vision Zero for Mississauga (20 Minutes)

The members of the Committee engaged in a discussion with respect to the Region of Peel Vision Zero framework. In response to Councillor Saito, Mr. Patterson noted that a report has already been to Council and that staff now needs direction on what the next steps are.

RECOMMENDATION

RSC-0002-2018

That the Road Safety Committee supports the Region of Peel Vision Zero framework and that Council, be requested to consider a motion to adopt the Region of Peel Vision Zero framework to improve safety on our roads in the City of Mississauga.

Approved (A. M. Hayes)

7.3 2018 Work Plan Preliminary Discussion (20 Minutes)

Members of the Committee engaged in a discussion about the next steps for preparing the Work Plan. Councillor Saito discussed the role of the committee and explained how we use other campaigns to advance our vision and identified all the ways that we used to disseminate information. Members discussed the Road Safety Handbook and whether or not there is time to handle a renewal this year and if it should be worked on through a subcommittee or postponed.

Sunil Sharma, citizen member commented on focussing on targeted audiences and noted the present handbook is too big, suggesting that a lighter book could be placed in waiting rooms, recreation centres etc. Mr. Patterson noted there is a lot of good material out there that can be shared and used to educate the public, as our Committee mandate sets out. Mr. Patterson further noted that we can share campaigns of others. Tony Power, citizen member and Vice-Chair, noted the benefits of using of social media, particularly City accounts.

Staff was directed to prepare the calendar of events and programs with a focus on local campaigns and return to the committee for further discussions. The top 3 items discussed in the brainstorming session will make up the work plan.

RECOMMENDATION

RSC-0001-2018

That Transportation and Works Staff prepare a draft 2018 Work Plan for the Road Safety Committee based on the brainstorming session held on January 30, 2018 and that the Work Plan be considered at a future Road Safety Committee meeting for approval.

Approved (M. Matthew)

8. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

8.1. Correspondence: Email update from Mickey Frost, Director of Works Operations and Maintenance, dated December 6, 2017, with respect to Default Speed Limit Changes.

RECOMMENDATION

RSC-0003-2018

That the email from Mickey Frost, Director of Works Operations and Maintenance, dated December 6, 2017, with respect to Default Speed Limit Changes, be received.

Received (A. M. Hayes)

9. **OTHER BUSINESS**

9.1. Member Updates: Peel Regional Police Road Watch Statistics.

Melissa Brabant, Ministry of Transportation, noted that the MTO is funding an opportunity called "weed out the risk".

Leonard Verwey, Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee (MCAC) Representative and citizen member, spoke about the committee handing out safety materials to the public at community events. MCAC is planning to do more for community events including training. For more information visit www.mississaugacycling.ca.

RECOMMENDATION

RSC-0004-2018

That the Member Updates entitled, Peel Regional Police Road Watch Statistics dated, January 23, 2018, be received.

Received (A. M. Hayes)

- 10. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING(S)** February 27, 2018.
- 11. **ADJOURNMENT** (A. M. Hayes)