

Traffic Safety Council

Date

2016/06/22

Time

5:00 p.m.

Location

Hearing Room, 2nd Floor, Civic Centre
300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, ON L5B 3C1

Members Present

Councillor Sue McFadden, Ward 10
Councillor Chris Fonseca, Ward 3
Councillor John Kovac, Ward 4
Altamash Syed, Citizen Member
Arvind Bhaskar, Citizen Member
Brad Butt, Citizen Member
Dan Suess, Citizen Member
Denise Gordon-Mohamud, Citizen Member
Heather Relf, Citizen Member (Vice-Chair)
Katherine Vukobrat, Citizen Member
Louise Goegan, Citizen Member
Mashkooor Sherwani, Citizen Member
Peter Westbrook, Citizen Member (Chair)
Sandra Beniuk, Citizen Member
Tamara Coulson, Citizen Member

Members Absent

Ajay Sharma, Citizen Member
Boris Swedak, Life Member

Advisory Board Present

Alex Liya, Traffic Operations Technician, Transportation and Works

Denna Yaunan, Traffic Operations Technologist, Transportation and Works

Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guard, Transportation and Works

Sgt. Jason Watson, Peel Regional Police, 12 Division

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CALL TO ORDER 5:00 p.m.

DECLARATIONS OF DIRECT (OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST - NIL

PRESENTATIONS / DEPUTATIONS - NIL

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

1. Approval of April 27, 2016 Minutes

Minutes of the Traffic Safety Council meeting held on April 27, 2016

Approved (Councillor S. McFadden)

2. Site Inspection Report – Mary Fix Catholic School (Ward 7)

Site Inspection Report for the inspection conducted on June 9, 2016 at the intersection of Paisley Boulevard and Crystalburn Avenue for the students attending Mary Fix Catholic School.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the warrants for the implementation of a school crossing guard at Paisley Boulevard and Crystalburn Avenue, for the students attending Mary Fix Catholic School have been met.
2. That Peel Regional Police be requested to monitor stopping compliance at Paisley Boulevard and Crystalburn Avenue between 8:40 a.m. to 9:05 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the students attending Mary Fix Catholic School.
3. That Transportation and Works be requested to review signage on Paisley Boulevard for the students attending Mary Fix Catholic School.

Approved (T. Coulson)

Recommendation TSC-0057-2016

3. Site Inspection Reports – St. Sebastian Catholic School (Ward 8)

Site Inspection Reports for site inspections conducted on June 14, 2016 at the intersection of Aquinas Avenue and Sebastian Drive, and at the intersection of Aquinas Avenue and Middlesex Gate, for the students attending St. Sebastian Catholic School.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the request for a crossing guard at the intersection of Aquinas Avenue and Sebastian Drive for the student attending St. Sebastian Catholic School, be denied as the warrants are not met.
2. That the warrants for the placement of a crossing guard at the intersection of Aquinas Avenue and Middlesex Gate for the students attending St. Sebastian Catholic School, have been met.

Approved (L. Goegan)

Recommendation TSC-0058-2016

4. Change in School Boundary for Bishop Scalabrini Catholic School and St. Philip Catholic School (Ward 7)

Sheelagh Provided an overview of the school boundary changes which takes effect September 2016 for students attending Bishop Scalabrini Catholic School and St. Philip Catholic School. As a result of the school boundary changes, the school crossing in front of Bishop Scalabrini Catholic School will be closed effective June 30, 2016. A letter dated June 7, 2016 from Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards, was sent to Ms. Joanne Golla, Principal at Bishop Scalabrini Catholic School, sent via email, confirming that the school crossing in front of Bishop Scalabrini Catholic School will be closed effective June 30, 2016, as a result of school boundary changes effective September 2016.

RECOMMENDATION

That the letter dated June 7, 2016 from Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards, to Ms. Joanne Golla, Principal at Bishop Scalabrini Catholic School, regarding the closing of the school crossing in front of Bishop Scalabrini Catholic School effective June 30, 2016, as a result of school boundary changes effective September 2016, be received for information.

Approved (K. Vukobrat)

Recommendation TSC-0059-2016

5. St. Gertrude Catholic School Walk/Bike to School Event Update (Ward 5)

Tamara Coulson, Citizen Member provided an overview of the Walk/Bike to School event that was held on May 5, 2016 at St. Gertrude Catholic School. Ms. Coulson advised that this was the first joint event for Traffic Safety Council and Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee, and added that the event was a great success with lots of people participating. Councillor Chris Fonseca expressed thanks to the Members of Traffic Safety Council for working with the Members of the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee to make this event possible, and hopes that there will be further opportunities for the committees to collaborate on events such as this one.

RECOMMENDATION

That the verbal update provided by Tamara Coulson, Citizen Member regarding the Walk and Bike to School event held on May 5, 2016 at St. Gertrude Catholic School, be received for information.

Approved (T. Coulson)

Recommendation TSC-0060-2016

6. Peel Safe and Active Routes To School (PSARTS) Update

Peter Westbrook, Chair, Traffic Safety Council and Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards provided an update on the meeting discussions with Peel Safe and Active Routes to School (PSARTS) regarding collaboration with Peel Nurses in providing on-going support for the Traffic Safety Council School Walking Routes Programs. Ms. Duffin added that there have been twenty-seven elementary schools in Mississauga which have launched a walk to school program since 2008; however, most of the schools have not been actively participating in the program. It was noted that although the program has been successful in some schools, there is all lot of work to be done to get the other schools back on track with the program.

RECOMMENDATION

That the verbal update provided by Peter Westbrook, Chair, Traffic Safety Council and Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards with respect to the meeting discussions with Peel Safe and Active Routes to School (PSARTS) regarding collaboration with Peel Nurses in providing on-going support for the Traffic Safety Council School Walking Routes Programs, be received for information.

Approved (T. Coulson)

Recommendation TSC-0061-2016

7. Peel Children's Safety Village – 2015-2016 School Safety Patroller Program

Letter dated April 28, 2016 from Jennifer Evans, Chief of Police, Peel Regional Police, with respect to the 2015-2016 School Safety Patroller Program. This includes a request for a donation from Traffic Safety Council for Mississauga students to attend the School Safety Patroller Program at Camp Samac.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the letter dated April 28, 2016 from Jennifer Evans, Chief of Police, Peel Regional Police, with respect to the 2015-2016 School Safety Patroller Program requesting a donation from Traffic Safety Council for Mississauga students to attend the School Safety Patroller Program at Camp Samac, be received.
2. That the amount of up to \$600.00 to send three Mississauga students to Camp Samac from July 19 to July 22, 2016, to participate in the 2015-2016 School Safety Patroller Program be approved.

Approved (L. Goegan)

Recommendation TSC-0062-2016

8. Site Inspection Report – Burnhamthorpe Public School (Ward 3)

Site Inspection Report for the site inspection conducted on June 16, 2016 at the intersection of Golden Orchard Drive and Grand Forks Road, for the students attending Burnhamthorpe Public School.

Councillor Chris Fonseca advised that the Principal of the school introduced a contract, which outlines the rules to follow while utilizing the Kiss & Ride area. Parents who want to utilize the Kiss & Ride area are asked to sign the contract as their commitment to adhere to those rules. It appears those who are using the Kiss & Ride are following to the rules of the area as it has been observed that the Kiss & Ride area flows very well. It was also noted that the school population is above capacity and that there are some busing issues. It was suggested that the Walk to School Subcommittee approach the Principal of the school to work on launching a walk to school program.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the request for a crossing guard at the intersection of Golden Orchard Drive and Grand Forks Road for the students attending Burnhamthorpe Public School be denied as the warrants are not met.
2. That Parking Enforcement be requested to enforce all parking prohibitions between 3:20 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. opposite Burnhamthorpe Public School on Golden Orchard Drive.
3. That the Traffic Safety Council, Walk to School Subcommittee approach the Principal of Burnhamthorpe Public School with respect to implementing a Walk to School Program.

Approved (Councillor C. Fonseca)
Recommendation TSC-0063-2016

9. Site Inspection Report – St. Marcellinus Secondary School (Ward 11)

Site Inspection Reports for the inspections conducted on June 7, 2016 and June 13, 2016 in front of St. Marcellinus Secondary School. Peter Westbrook spoke to Louise Goegan's inquiry of the division of property of the City of Mississauga Library and the school.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Transportation and Works be requested to modify the south east corner next to the football field to improve the turning radius for exiting school buses.
2. That the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board and the City of Mississauga's Transportation and Works Department be requested to effect changes to the Kiss & Ride Layout and school bus pick up and drop off as per the attached revised site plan.
3. That St. Marcellinus Secondary School Principal Josie Lorenzon arrange a follow up meeting with the City of Mississauga's Library Board, City of Mississauga's Traffic Safety Council, City of Mississauga's Transportation and Works Department, and Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board Plant Project Officer, Dale Lucas, to discuss next steps to resolving the traffic issues.

Approved (L. Goegan)
Recommendation TSC-0064-2016

10. Parking Enforcement in School Zone Reports – April and May 2016

Reports from the Manager of Parking Enforcement with respect to parking enforcement In school zones for the months of April and May 2016.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Reports from the Manager of Parking Enforcement with respect to parking enforcement In school zones for the months of April and May 2016, be received for information.

Approved (K. Vukobrat)

Recommendation TSC-0065-2016

11. Transportation and Works Action Items List – April 2016

Action Items List from Transportation and Works for the month of April 2016.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Action Items List from Transportation and Works for the month of April 2016, be received for information.

Approved (D. Gordon-Mohamud)

Recommendation TSC-0066-2016

12. Ridgewood Public School Walk and Roll Event Update (Ward 5)

Sandra Beniuk, Citizen Member provided an overview of the Walk and Roll event that took place at Ridgewood Public School on May 17, 2016. Ms. Beniuk advised that there was a great turnout of Traffic Safety Council Members, and that the teachers were very supportive and of this initiative. Overall it was a great success.

RECOMMENDATION

That the verbal update provided by Sandra Beniuk, Citizen Member, with respect to the Walk and Roll event at Ridgewood Public School held on May 17, 2016, be received for information.

Approved (S. Beniuk)

Recommendation TSC-0067-2016

13. St. Faustina Elementary School Walk and Bike to School Event Update (Ward 10)

Peter Westbrook, Chair of Traffic Safety Council provided an overview of the Walk and Bike to School event at St. Faustina Elementary School on May 31, 2016, citing it was a great success. Mr. Westbrook noted that the Peel Regional Police held a bike Rodeo in the gym, providing education to students on safe biking. Heather Relf, Vice-Chair of Traffic Safety Council, commented on her observation of how many students were not wearing helmets. Councillor Chris Fonseca advised that the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee has made it mandatory for riders who register for Community Rides to wear a helmet. Councillor Fonseca also advised that the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee is looking at ways to get the message about wearing helmets out through social media not only to the youth but to all cyclists.

RECOMMENDATION

That the verbal update provided by Peter Westbrook, Chair, with respect to the Walk and Bike to School event at St. Faustina Elementary School held on May 31, 2016, be received for information.

Approved (H. Relf)

Recommendation TSC-0068-2016

14. 66th Annual Ontario Traffic Council Conference Attendee Report

Report prepared by Traffic Safety Council Citizen Members Louise Goegan, Katherine Vukobrat, and Denise Gordon-Mohamud summarizing the sessions they attended at the 66th Annual Ontario Traffic Council Conference held on May 15 to 17, 2016.

Katherine Vukobrat, Denise Gordon-Mohamud and Louise Goegan, Citizen Members, provided an overview of the sessions they attended. All cited that attending the conference was a very valuable experience. The sessions were very informative and the speakers were very knowledgeable. It was suggested that the Traffic Safety Council invite one of the speakers to a future Traffic Safety Council meeting.

The Traffic Safety Council Members also acknowledged Louise Goegan for her Honorary Ontario Traffic Council Life Membership award presented to her at the conference.

Councillor Chris Fonseca, noted that the information provided on the report and, more specifically the section on Safety & Risk Management of Our Active Transportation Systems (top 10 list) which highlights information would be very useful for the Traffic Safety Council, the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee and city communication staff to work on a campaign for putting out a message of awareness to drivers, pedestrian and cyclists through social media. Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards suggested that this matter be brought forward to the Public Information Subcommittee to work on safety awareness messages that can be put on the City's website/social media.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Report prepared by Traffic Safety Council Citizen Members Louise Goegan, Katherine Vukobrat, and Denise Gordon-Mohamud summarizing the sessions they attended at the 66th Annual Ontario Traffic Council Conference held on May 15 to 17, 2016, be received for information.

Approved (M. Sherwani)

Recommendation TSC-0069-2016

15. Site Inspection/Safety Review Working Group Update

Altamash Syed, Citizen Member, provided an overview of the working group's review of the site inspection/safety review form. Mr. Syed acknowledged the members of the working group, Tamara Coulson, Mashkoor Sherwani, Arvind Bhaskar, Sandra Beniuk, Peter Westbrook, Sheelagh Duffin, and Denna Yaunan and noted that the group is quite energetic and engaging and that they have in their last couple of meetings had very productive dialogue. They will continue to meet over the next couple of months and it is anticipated that they will have a draft form to present at the September 2016.

RECOMMENDATION

That the verbal update provided by Altamash Syed, Citizen Member, regarding the site inspection/safety review, be received for information.

Approved (A. Syed)

Recommendation TSC-0070-2016

16. Walk to School Program Progress Report Data Update

Louise Goegan, Chair, of Walk to School Subcommittee, provided a verbal update on the data collected from the schools who participate in the Walk to School Program. Ms. Goegan, advised that the subcommittee met over the last month and to go over the data received from the progress report. Ms. Goegan, noted that there are many schools who are not actively participating in the walk to school program, due to a number of reasons, and that the subcommittee has identified the schools that require assistance from the Traffic Safety Council and that the subcommittee will work with these schools in relaunching the program.

RECOMMENDATION

That the verbal update provided by Louise Goegan, Chair, Walk To School Subcommittee, with respect to the data collected from the schools who participate in the Walk to School Program, be received for information.

Approved (S. Kumra)

Recommendation TSC-0071-2016

OTHER BUSINESS

Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator, advised that the Traffic Safety Council webpage has been updated with new information and links, and encouraged Members to visit the page and provide their feedback.

Councillor Sue McFadden advised that earlier in the day at the Council meeting, Councillor George Carlson brought forward a Motion, which was adopted by Council, with respect to the school bus issues for students attending St. Julia Catholic School and Meadowvale Village Public School. Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator, provided the Traffic Safety Council Members a copy of that Motion for their information.

Date of Next Meeting: September 28, 2016

ADJOURNMENT: 5:58 p.m.