

## BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 20, 2007

### MINUTES

A meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, June 20, 2007, at 5:30 p.m., in the T.H. Tracy Boardroom, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Bonnie Fenton, Chair  
Jack Becker  
Tim Blair  
Colin Brander  
Richard Campbell  
Paul Dragan  
Kari Hewett, Vice-Chair  
Robert Holley  
Trudy Lancelyn  
Neil Salway  
Kay Teschke

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Suzanne Anton  
Commissioner Spencer Herbert  
Scott Edwards, Manager, Greenways & Neighbourhood  
Transportation  
\*Gertjan Hofman, Chair - Bicycle Network Subcommittee  
\*Peter Stary, Bicycle Program Coordinator,  
Greenways & Neighbourhood Transportation

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Lori Isfeld, Meeting Coordinator

\*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

#### Attendance

No leaves of absence were requested and all members were present.

#### Adoption of Minutes

The Minutes of the May 16, 2007, meeting were adopted.

#### 1. Sustainable Transportation

Jo Fung, Program Manager - Sustainable Transportation, provided an overview of her responsibilities which are shared between the Engineering and Sustainability departments.

##### *Highlights:*

- sustainability is linked to most departments in the City;
- sustainability programs include Corporate and Community Climate Change Action Plans, One Day, Way To Go, development of strategies to build sustainable communities, social inclusion, and low carbon vehicle programs;
- the corporate goal is to reduce green house gas emissions by 20% from 1990 to 2010;
- suggestion was made to make a presentation to the School Board regarding sustainability programs available through the City;

- Ms. Fung advised she will be requesting input from the Committee regarding upcoming sustainability issues;
- the Committee noted its support for sustainability programs and encouraged Ms. Fung to advise when the BAC can provide help.

## 2. Wiki Site on Principles for Bikeways

Robert Holley provided an update on the wiki site.

### *Highlights:*

- suggestion was made to develop a workplan with a concrete set of doable tasks and timelines;
- the guiding principles are the base for decision-making;
- the site can be used as a tool to communicate guiding principles to staff and Council;
- the Chair requested members to research existing websites and report on what is already available.

## 3. Workplan

The Chair advised that following meeting adjournment, the Committee would break into groups for discussion on workplan progress.

## 4. Subcommittee Reports

### *a. Bicycle Education and Promotion Subcommittee*

Kari Hewett reviewed the minutes of the Wednesday, June 6, 2007, meeting, (*distributed - on file in the City Clerk's Office*).

Ms. Hewett requested Committee members to submit suggestions regarding bike parking at festivals.

Discussion took place regarding improving bike parking at schools. Suggestion was made that a Committee member attend the next School Board meeting in this regard. The next School Board meeting is Wednesday, July 25, 2007, time and location TBA.

### *b. Bicycle Network Subcommittee*

Jack Becker reviewed the minutes of the Wednesday, June 6, 2007, meeting, (*distributed - on file in the City Clerk's Office*).

#### *i. 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Dumfries Bikeways preliminary design review*

The Committee expressed support for the development of the 28th Avenue and Dumfries bikeways and noted the suggestions and specific areas of concern included in the Subcommittee minutes.

#### *ii Marking bicycle facilities on secondary arterial streets:*

The Committee reviewed options and comments submitted by the Subcommittee.

*iii. Local street bikeway design guidelines*

Peter Stary provided clarification regarding design guidelines for local street bikeways and agreed to circulate the document referred to in the minutes regarding previous work done by Dr. Lorne Whitehead.

**7. Correspondence**

The correspondence folder was circulated.

**8. New Business**

*a. 799 Campbell Avenue (corner of Campbell and Union)*

Scott Edwards reported on aspects of the development at the corner of Campbell and Union. The Committee was generally in support of the bulge noted on the plan, but expressed concerns regarding the proposed driveway onto Union. It was noted that in principle the Committee is usually opposed to the inclusion of driveways onto bike routes in any new development. It was also noted that the proposed driveway will remove one or two on-street parking spaces but will provide two off-street spaces.

Other concerns included:

- street lighting on Union should be reviewed, in case there are any required changes through this construction process, and if off-site monies are available;
- it was suggested that a bulge on the south-east corner be installed, kitty corner to the development, to improve sightlines for the existing northbound stop sign.

*b. Bike Training at Schools*

Robert Holley advised the Committee of a school that provides an excellent bicycle training program to its students and noted the program would be easily transferable to other schools. Mr. Holley will provide the Committee with a link to the related website.

*c. 2007 Commuter Challenge*

Scott Edwards reported on Commuter Challenge awards won this year by the Greenways and Neighbourhood Transportation Branch.

**NEXT MEETING:**

Day: Wednesday, July 18, 2007  
Time: 5:30 p.m.  
Place: TH Tracy Board Room, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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