



ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL

MINUTES

June 18, 2014

A meeting of the Active Transportation Policy Council (ATPC) was held on Wednesday, June 18, 2014, at 5:35 pm, in Committee Room No. 1, Third Floor, City Hall, Vancouver City Hall.

- PRESENT:** Tanya Paz, Chair
Dean Alexander
Joan Andersen
John Calimonte
Eugene Chin
Sarah FioRito
Debbie Forbes*
Lisa Slakov
Adam Vasilevich
- ABSENT:** Graham Anderson (Leave of Absence)
Jeff Cole
Peggy Harowitz (Leave of Absence)
Tom Lancaster
John Whistler (Leave of Absence)
Meghan Winters, Vice-Chair (Leave of Absence)
- ALSO PRESENT:** Councillor Heather Deal (Council Liaison)
Dale Bracewell, Manager, Active Transportation (Staff Liaison)
Lynn Guilbault, Project Manager, Stakeholder and Community Relations, Active Transportation
- CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Lori Isfeld, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Joan Andersen
SECONDED by Lisa Slakov

THAT the Active Transportation Policy Council approve leaves of absence for Graham Anderson, Peggy Harowitz, John Whistler and Meghan Winters, for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Debbie Forbes absent for vote)

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Lisa Slakov

SECONDED by Joan Andersen

THAT the minutes of the Active Transportation Policy Council meeting on April 23, 2014, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Debbie Forbes absent for vote)

1. Active Transportation Promotion and Enabling Plan

Keltie Craig, Sustainability Specialist, Sustainability Group, provided a presentation regarding the Active Transportation Promotion and Enabling Plan that has recently been approved by the Directors of Transportation, Corporate Communications and the Sustainability Group. The plan outlines a strategic approach to promoting the City's existing active transportation infrastructure and enabling people to choose walking and cycling for more trips. It was noted the presentation is for information only. It was also noted it will be forwarded to Council as part of the Healthy City Strategy initiative.

Policy Council members provided feedback on the plan and Ms. Craig, along with the Staff Liaison, responded to questions.

Following discussion, questions and feedback it was

MOVED by Joan Andersen

SECONDED by Sarah FioRito

WHEREAS

1. The Active Transportation Policy Council recognizes the importance of infrastructure investments to improve active transportation;
2. The impact of infrastructure improvements can be significantly enhanced through public education and promotion.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the Active Transportation Policy Council strongly supports the Active Transportation Promotion and Enabling Plan as a key element of the Healthy City Strategy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Debbie Forbes absent for vote)

2. Experience the Fraser Concept Plan

Staff and the Council Liaison provided an update on the "Experience the Fraser Concept Plan". It was noted a report on the matter and seeking Council's endorsement of the plan is scheduled for the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting on June 25, 2014.

3. Council Liaison Update

Councillor Deal provided updates on several topics including Burrard Bridge improvements, Point Grey Road bikeway, and recent developments regarding Arbutus Corridor.

4. Park Board/School Board Liaison Updates

Postponed.

5. Subcommittee Updates

(a) Projects Subcommittee

(i) Update

Tanya Paz reviewed the minutes from the May 7 and June 4, 2014, meetings.

(ii) Capital Planning

ATPC members and liaisons discussed tentative timelines for the upcoming Capital Plan process. It was noted the draft Capital Plan will be put forward to Council in July. Public engagement opportunities including a stakeholder meeting and Public Open Houses will follow. The Staff Liaison advised that once dates are confirmed, ATPC will be invited to participate and provide input at the Stakeholder Meeting.

(iii) Support for Metro Vancouver 30-Year Transportation Strategy

Following discussion and responses to questions by the Staff Liaison,

MOVED by John Calimente
SECONDED by Lisa Slakov

THAT the Active Transportation Policy Council fully supports the projects outlined in the Mayors' Council 30-Year Transportation Strategy for Metro Vancouver, specifically:

- Additional traffic separated bikeways and pedestrian improvements near transit stops and stations;
- Rapid transit along the Broadway Corridor;
- B-Line Service on routes from Joyce-Collingwood to UBC, downtown Vancouver to Southeast Marine Drive, and downtown Vancouver to SFU, along with increased frequency and expanded service hours on existing routes;
- Additional SeaBus service.

FURTHER THAT the Active Transportation Policy Council recommends that the source of funding for these improvements be partly through reallocation of the BC Carbon Tax already being paid by Metro Vancouver residents and additional sources of revenue such as mobility pricing, putting it towards transportation improvements for the region.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) Partnerships & Promotion Subcommittee

(i) Update

Lisa Slakov provided an overview of activities planned for the Seaside Greenway Party on Saturday, July 5, 2014. Discussion ensued regarding details of the event.

(ii) Open Source Data

Joan Andersen introduced a draft motion regarding Open Source Data.

Following discussion and questions to staff it was

MOVED by Joan Andersen
SECONDED by Dean Anderson

WHEREAS the City of Vancouver endorsed in May 2009 the principles of Open and Accessible Data, Open Standards, and Open Source Software, thus committing to freely share with citizens the greatest amount of data possible;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Active Transportation Policy Council request that the City:

1. Make available online in a useable format all data associated with the 2013 Pedestrian survey.
2. Distribute online in a useable format all City of Vancouver active transportation data that is referenced in reports provided in open sessions to Vancouver City Council.
3. Release online in a timely manner in a useable format the data gathered by the permanent counters on bike routes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Following the vote on the motion, the Staff Liaison provided the following information regarding 1, 2 and 3 above:

1. Data will be made publicly available after staff report to City Council tentatively expected for the fall.
2. City staff will endeavor to make the data available that is provided in open sessions to Council online on a move forward basis and not retroactively.
3. Staff will be doubling the amount of online bike counter data this year from four to eight locations, but expect it will take two years to fully realize this motion.

5. Staff Liaison Update

Dale Bracewell, Staff Liaison, along with Lynn Guilbault, Active Transportation, provided updates on a number of topics including:

- Bike to Work Week
- New bike map launch and distribution
- Pro Walk/Pro Bike /Pro Place 2016 final Conference submission
- VIVA Vancouver 2014 Events
- Meeting with the VPD regarding potential by-law amendments regarding skateboarding
- Providing zero fatalities and serious injuries research information at a future meeting
- Active transportation “Survivor” mapping event
- City of Vancouver joins the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO)
- Workshop with potential partners to review City priorities outlined in the Active Transportation Promotion and Enabling Plan
- End of term event at the October working session meeting

6. New Business

(a) Announcements

- Sarah FioRito announced that the first “Streets for Everyone” advocacy project will be Commercial Drive;
- Tanya Paz announced bike valet is available Thursday to Sunday until Labour Day on Granville Island, and is located behind the Granville Island brewery.

(b) Summer Meeting

It was agreed the Working Session meeting on July 16, 2014, will go ahead and that there will be no Working Session meeting in August.

Adjournment

MOVED by Gene Chin
SECONDED by Joan Andersen

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Regular Meeting

DATE: September 17, 2014
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Business Centre Meeting Room,
2nd Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Policy Council adjourned at 8:14 pm.

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