



ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL

MINUTES

November 21, 2012

A meeting of the Active Transportation Policy Council was held on Wednesday, November 21, 2012, at 5:30 pm, in City Hall Business Centre Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT: Rhiannon Chernencoff, Chair
Graham Anderson
Joan Andersen
Adrian Bell
Eugene Chin
Keltie Craig
Jacob Hunter, Vice-Chair
Tom Lancaster
Liliana Quintero*
Lisa Slakov
Adam Vasilevich
Meghan Winters*

ABSENT: Dean Alexander
Tanya Paz
John Whistler (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Dale Bracewell, Manager, Active Transportation, Staff Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Lori Isfeld, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Tom Lancaster
SECONDED by Eugene Chin

THAT a leave of absence be approved for John Whistler, for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Liliana Quintero and Meghan Winters absent for the vote)

2. Subcommittee Reports

(a) Projects Subcommittee Report

Graham Anderson provided an update and responded to questions regarding the subcommittee meeting held November 14, 2012, and the associated minutes (*on file*).

i. Canada Line - Marine Drive Station Bicycle Connections

MOVED by Jacob Hunter
SECONDED by Graham Anderson

THAT the Active Transportation Policy Council (ATPC) supports the development of new comfortable and safe routes connecting to the Canada Line bridge and supports the suggestion of sidewalks on Kent Avenue. The ATPC is pleased to see concrete plans for a separate cycling facility from the bridge along Cambie Street to Marine Drive. The ATPC recommends to Council:

THAT these new routes need to be connected to existing facilities in order to make them practically useful for most cyclists and pedestrians. These additional connections should include but not be limited to:

- (a) A new route along Kent Avenue connecting the bridge to the Heather Street and Ontario Street bikeways.
- (b) Extending the path along Cambie Street to connect with the North Arm Trail Greenway.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ii. Permanent Pedestrian Plaza - 800 Robson Street

MOVED by Jacob Hunter
SECONDED by Rhiannon Chernencoff

THAT the Active Transportation Policy Commission approves the letter to City Council expressing support for the permanent closure of 800 Robson Street for a pedestrian plaza, as set out in the email dated November 20, 2012, from ATPC member Adam Vasilevich,

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) Partnerships & Promotion Subcommittee Report

Adrian Bell provided an update on the subcommittee meeting held November 7, 2012, and noted the minutes from the meeting will be distributed when available.

3. Liaison Reports

Postponed to the next meeting.

4. Transportation 2040 Plan Implementation Strategy

Paul Krueger, Planner, Transportation Plan, provided a presentation and with Dale Bracewell responded to questions regarding implementation of the plan. During discussion Mr. Bracewell noted that when the plan was approved, Council requested reports back from staff on various matters that will require consultation and input from the ATPC. These reports back are tentatively slated for Council meetings in the spring and summer of 2013.

5. Grandview-Boundary Mixed Employment Area Strategy

Don Klimchuk, Transportation Monitoring Engineer, Strategic Transportation Planning Branch, and Chris Clibbon, Planner, City-Wide and Regional Planning, provided a presentation and responded to questions regarding public benefit strategies, SkyTrain and bikeway approaches, and the significant trip generation as a result of new jobs created in the Grandview-Boundary area.

6. 2013 Pedestrian Survey

Don Klimchuk, Transportation Monitoring Engineer, Strategic Transportation Planning Branch, provided a presentation on the proposed update in 2013 of the 2008 Pedestrian Volume and Opinion Survey of Commercial Areas (see the 2008 report at <http://former.vancouver.ca/engsvcs/transport/guidingDocuments/studies.htm>).

Mr. Klimchuk reviewed 2008 sidewalk volumes and pedestrian opinions, responded to questions and received suggestions regarding future data collection.

7. 2013 Meeting Schedule

The Policy Council discussed regular, working and subcommittee meeting dates for 2013. In response to a question, the Meeting Coordinator advised that if necessary a regular meeting date can be changed by approving a motion at a regular Policy Council meeting.

MOVED by Jacob Hunter
SECONDED by Eugene Chin

THAT the Active Transportation Policy Commission approve 2013 regular meeting dates as follows:

- February 20, 2013
- April 17, 2013
- June 19, 2013
- October 16, 2013

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. New Business

(a) ATPC Communications

Adam Vasilevich brought to the Policy Council's attention the need to improve communications with other Civic Agencies. The Chair noted protocol is that communication between Civic Agencies be done through the Chairs, or members can attend any of the other committees' public meetings if they wish.

It was agreed to discuss strategies to improve communications with other Civic Agencies and within the Policy Council with regard to formulating and approving motions, along with the Walk 21 Conference legacy moving forward, at the January working meeting.

Adjournment

MOVED by Jacob Hunter
SECONDED by Meghan Winters

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Regular Meeting:

DATE: February 20, 2013
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: City Hall Business Centre

The Policy Council adjourned at 7:56 pm.

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