



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

JULY 28, 2021

A meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, July 28, 2021, at 5:35 pm on WebEx.

PRESENT:

Molly Millar, Chair
Angela Jarvis, Vice-Chair
Joan Andersen
Colin Brander
Natalie Buglioni*
Eugene Chin
Michael Feaver
Karen Fung*
Jeannie Furmanek
Isabel García
Ingrid Hawkins*
Kino Roy
Barrett Soron
Bridgitte Taylor*
Gurtej Tung

ALSO PRESENT:

Councillor Colleen Hardwick, Council Liaison
Jordan McAuley, Planner, Parks

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:

Kevin Burris, Manager, Civic Agencies
Anthony Grzegorzewski, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Welcome/Introductions

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

Leave of Absence Requests

None.

1. Chair/Vice-Chair Election

Members were informed of the responsibilities of the Chair and the Vice-Chair and the floor was opened to nominations.

Following due process, the following members were elected by unanimous consent, for a term ending November 6, 2022:

- Molly Millar, Chair;
- Angela Jarvis, Vice-Chair.

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At this point in the proceedings, Molly Millar assume the role of Chair.

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2. Roles and Responsibilities

Roles and responsibilities were reviewed with Committee members. Liaisons introduced themselves and provided brief overviews of programs, policies, and initiatives, relevant to the Committee.

3. Work Plan Discussion

The Chair began sought input from Committee members on issues of importance that could be incorporated into the Work Plan for the 2021 term and will circulate a spreadsheet of possible Work Plan priorities.

4. New Business

The Committee re-visited a motion that was created in the previous term regarding input on the Broadway Plan.

a. Broadway Plan Motion

MOVED by Joan Andersen
SECONDED by Eugene Chin

WHEREAS

1. The Broadway Plan emerging directions do not include a separated facility for cycling along Broadway that would enable access to most existing and planned destinations within the plan area.
2. The Broadway Plan should look forward decades into the future instead of just planning for today's problems.
3. The Broadway Plan emerging directions presentation identifies that "existing routes are generally a block or two from commercial areas and other key destinations, making it difficult for people to cycle for everyday activities like shopping."
4. The Broadway Plan includes emerging directions to:
 - "Provide an environment that supports existing and new business growth through enhanced transportation access, public realm improvements and capacity for job space to meet demand."
 - "Enable opportunities for additional commercial development including major office along Broadway, particularly in Subway station areas."
 - "Develop a dense network of bike routes that are safe and comfortable for people of all ages and abilities (AAA), so that all residents live within a block or two of a AAA bike route and can use these bike routes to easily access key recreational, commercial and employment destinations."
5. The City's transportation "hierarchy of modes" for moving people is:
 1. Walking
 2. Cycling
 3. Transit
 4. Taxi/Commercial Transit/Shared Vehicles
 5. Private Automobiles.

The Broadway Plan includes significant improvements for Walking and Transit, but not for Cycling.

6. Relevant Transportation 2040 policies or actions include:
 - “Separated cycling facilities are to be included in all new major roadway design and construction.”
 - “C 1.2: Upgrade and expand the cycling network to efficiently connect people to destinations”
 - “C 1.2.2 c) prioritizing critical gaps in the network and connections to key destinations, including schools, community centres, major transit stations, and commercial high streets; and
 - “C 1.2.2 d) favouring simple and direct connections with few deviations to establish an easily understood and memorable network of routes, while also considering the importance of topography in route choice.”
 - “C 1.2.5 Incorporate separated bicycle facilities into the design and construction of all new major roads.”
 - “C 1.2.6: Consider cycling improvements as part of all street capital projects, installing and upgrading routes as opportunities arise through construction and rehabilitation projects.”
 - “C 3.1: Make it easy to combine cycling with other forms of transportation”
 - “C 3.1.1: Provide safe, convenient, and legible connections between major transit stations and the bicycle network.”
 - “G 2.3: Support low-impact goods and services movement and delivery.”
 - “G 2.3.1: Support regulations, incentives, and other strategies to facilitate efficient low-impact goods and services movement, including consideration of:
 - a) "hub and spoke" delivery models incorporating urban freight consolidation centres;
 - b) flexible loading options for cycle-based and other small-scale vehicles; and
 - c) right-sizing of service and delivery vehicles.
 - “M 2.4 Approach parking as a shared district resource”.
7. The City’s submission to Transport 2050 states that the “Efficient movement of urban freight will be supported by neighbourhood-scale, zero-emission logistics hubs. As a result, streets across the Region will become safer, quieter and more active.”
8. The Renewable City Strategy includes a priority to “T 1.2: Enhance and accelerate the development of complete streets and green infrastructure.”

9. The City's Complete Streets Policy Framework states that "the key principles to consider when designing Complete Streets include:
 - "Improving safety, comfort, and accessibility for all modes, with a focus on walking, cycling and taking transit for people of all ages and abilities".
 - "Providing direct and convenient access to shops, services, workplaces, and other destinations for all modes of transportation".
10. Significant off-street parking is available in buildings fronting onto Broadway.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports including a separated cycling facility along Broadway to enable access to destinations including shops and offices directly facing Broadway.
- B. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports ensuring an equity lens is applied to ensure the street is attractive for seniors, people with disabilities, and other groups.
- C. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports including accessible drop downs for wheelchairs, frequent benches, adding water fountains, washrooms, providing trees for shade, and reducing crossing distances to improve accessibility.
- D. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports providing pickup locations for passengers near medical facilities.
- E. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports the widening of sidewalks and improvements for walking and rolling included in the emerging directions presentation.
- F. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports including a separated cycling facility along Broadway to encourage local goods movement by bicycle and to facilitate deliveries by bicycle or similar vehicle.
- G. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports that there be separated and direct links for cycling between the new SkyTrain stations and the rest of the City's cycling network.

- H. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports that the Arbutus Greenway be widened to accommodate the increasing numbers of individuals walking, rolling and cycling.

- I. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports ensuring that adequate cycling storage facilities are provided, especially to replace storage opportunities lost as parking meters are removed.

CARRIED
(Karen Fung absent for the vote)

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Colin Brander
SECONDED by Joan Andersen

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Wednesday, September 15, 2021
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: WebEx Online

The Committee adjourned at 7:44 pm.

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