



## **Burlington Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting**

### **Minutes**

Date: September 18, 2017  
Time: 7:00 pm  
Location: Room 247, Level 2, City Hall

#### **1. Members Present:**

Rob Proctor (Chair), Al Kirkpatrick (Vice Chair), Kerry Eaton, Ken Rutter, Tom Carrothers (BSAC), Doug Benton (BAAC), Devon Ambrose, Tim Park (SDC), Don Thorpe (Cycling), Kayla van Zon, Brian Hayman

#### **2. Others Present:**

Jeff Black (Transportation), John Zunic (Transportation), Garth Rowland (Transit), Councillor Lancaster, Lisa Palermo (Clerk)

#### **3. Declarations of Interest:**

None.

#### **4. Approval of Minutes:**

4.1 Minutes from the meeting held May 29, 2017 approved.

#### **5. Delegation(s):**

#### **6. Regular Items:**

6.1 Street play and sports equipment on roads

Jeff, Manager of Traffic Operations and Signals, circulated a letter from Minister Coteau, Minister of Children and Youth Services asking municipalities to support letting kids play on neighbourhood streets. Jeff relayed that staff was preparing a report on this matter for the November 28 Committee of the Whole meeting. Jeff asked for member's input on staff's draft recommendations. Members supported the overall direction of staff's recommendations and provided the following feedback:

- take into consideration the use of skateboards / ramps on streets, allowing play on streets with cycling lanes and streets with bus routes
- consider portable signs on streets indicating "play in progress" could be placed in a visible area for motorists. Undecided as to who should provide signs - the city? local business? Suggested contacting Niagara on the Lake to learn how signs have been implemented there.
- Do not regulate common sense, minimize details
- Consider limiting play to roads with reduced traffic
- require neighbourhood petition be submitted showing majority support playing on streets
- Concerns relayed with respect to safety of children due to driver speeds, drivers not paying attention, cars parked on road reducing visibility, etc.
- Important to educate the public about any changes

Lisa to share the link to the staff report when it is made available to the public. Members will determine if they wish to provide comments to Committee.

## 6.2 Integrated Transit Mobility Plan update

Rob and Doug attended the Transit Stakeholder workshop in July and provided members with a summary of the roundtable discussions/activities. Participants learned about the challenges facing transit and worked in groups on an interactive activity to plan transit routes taking into account budget limitations, bus size, frequency of bus service and coverage of bus service. Garth will provide the full committee with a condensed version of the interactive transit activity. Lisa to work with Garth to coordinate a date.

Garth discussed the Committee of the Whole workshop regarding the Transit Mobility Plan, held on September 7th. All members are encouraged to view the meeting video to hear the consultant (Jarrett Walker) and staff's presentations. Garth indicated that staff will be engaging the public in 2018. Garth will share the communications/engagement plan once it is finalized.

## 6.3 Transportation Plan update

John provided an update on the Transportation Plan public engagement. Staff combined public engagement for the Official Plan and Transportation Plan and sought out citizens in various locations (festivals and events, mall, farmer's market, arenas, etc.) Final data from the consultation has not yet been analyzed. Transportation staff relayed that

the public has a desire for more walkable/friendly neighbourhoods but are not always in favour of reducing car use. The public like closed street events. A number of specific neighbourhood concerns were gathered during the feedback sessions that will assist staff in considering different options for different neighbourhoods.

**6.4 Engaging high school students in local government**

John reviewed a presentation prepared for high school students. The presentation topic is Complete Streets and introduces grade 9 Geography students to the intricacies of planning streets within a municipality. Students are provided with background on the topic including terminology and the different types of road users. Students are then engaged in an interactive activity where they plan city streets. John reviewed the presentation with members and solicited their feedback. The presentation schedule will be shared with members once it has been confirmed. If available, ITAC members will be invited to deliver the presentation with city staff.

**6.5 Cycling Master Plan and cycling on New Street updates**

John relayed that a report regarding cycling on New Street will be presented to Committee of the Whole in November. Lisa will share a link to the staff report once it is available for the public. Members will determine if they wish to provide comments to Committee.

**7. Other Business:**

Committee services staff will commence recruitment for vacancies on citizen committees this month with interviews taking place in November.

**8. Adjournment: 8:45 p.m.**

The next meeting will be held November 20.