



Burlington Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: November 20, 2017
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Room 305, Level 3, City Hall
426 Brant Street, Burlington, Ontario

1. Members present:

Rob Proctor (Chair), Alan Kirkpatrick (Vice Chair), Tim Park (SDC), Ken Rutter, Tom Carrothers (BSAC), Doug Benton (BAAC), Brian Hayman, Don Thorpe (Cycling)

2. Member regrets:

Devon Ambrose, Kayla van Zon, Kerry Eaton, Councillor Blair Lancaster

3. Others present:

Garth Rowland (Transit), Dan Ozimkovic (Transportation), Lisa Palermo (Clerk)

4. Declarations of Interest:

None.

5. Approval of Minutes:

5.1 Minutes from meeting held September 18, 2017 approved.

6. Delegation(s):

7. Regular Items:

7.1 Transit update

Garth relayed that staff at Burlington Transit (BT) will be engaging the public regarding service changes in 2018 with the intention to report back to council with recommendations in 2019. Garth provided members with the status of construction at the Fairview GO station - discussion included number of platforms, parking, access, etc.

Members relayed concerns with accessibility to GO station platforms and wayfinding for the public.

Members also suggested that BT consider communicating with the public now regarding the delay in transit service changes.

Garth provided an excerpt from the CUTA Canadian Transit Fact Book - 2015 Operating Data for Burlington for information. Committee was also provided a link to other transit benchmarking data for their information.
<http://mbnccanada.ca/practice/transit/>

Rob, Alan, Don, Doug, Ken and Tim attended a 'mini' transit workshop provided for ITAC members on Nov. 13. All who attended relayed that the session was informative and provided a better understanding of the challenges / opportunities to be considered when recommending changes to transit service.

7.2 New Street pilot project review and resurfacing report

Dan provided an update on the New Street project as well as other projects underway in the transportation department:

- New Street pilot project and resurfacing report is being presented to Committee of the Whole on November 27. The staff report recommends going back to four lanes.

Members agreed to provide comments in support of offroad, protected cycletracks on New Street. Draft comments will be circulated to members for review and approval. Final comments will be forwarded to council for consideration.

- 2009 cycling master plan in the process of being updated. Staff is working with Alta Planning & Design to provide recommendations regarding the grid network and cycling facilities. This work is scheduled to be completed in Q2 2018.
- North Burlington feasibility study examined all rural roads and provided recommendations on where to provide paved shoulders. Council has approved a priority list. The next step in the project will be to review the priority list to determine where traffic signals, parking lots, bridges, etc are needed.
- Cherry Hill Crescent and some adjacent streets are scheduled for resurfacing in 2018. Council will be considering a request to install sidewalks along with the scheduled road work. Transportation staff is recommending sidewalks with support from the school boards. Many residents oppose the installation of sidewalks.

Members agreed to provide comments in support of sidewalks on Cherryhill Crescent and adjacent streets. Draft comments will be circulated to members for review and approval. Final comments will be forwarded to council for consideration.

- Metrolinx is proposing to increase the number of parking spaces at the Aldershot GO station. Staff is preparing comments to send to Metrolinx opposing the increase in parking spaces while advocating for increased pedestrian and cycling traffic.

7.3 Transportation Plan Public Engagement – Data Analysis and Summary

Members were provided with the draft transportation plan public engagement – data analysis and summary dated Sept. 22, 2017 for information. The data summary consolidates public feedback heard over the spring and summer regarding the city's transportation plan (Go Bold).

7.4 Metrolinx Regional Transportation Plan – Comments from the City of Burlington

Members were provided with a copy of the city's draft comments regarding the Draft Regional Transportation Plan. Staff comments were sent to Halton Region staff to be consolidated into a Halton Region submission to Metrolinx.

7.5 Highway 403/QEW Freeman Interchange Study

Public engagement is currently underway for the Highway 403/QEW Freeman Interchange Study. City staff are currently in the process of drafting up comments based on material and feedback gathered at the first public information session. There will be a second public information session held in spring 2018. An update on this project will be provided to ITAC in 2018.

- Project Website: <http://www.qew403freeman.ca/>
- Display boards from first public information session:
<http://www.qew403freeman.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/2016-E-0005-Hwy-403-QEW-Freeman-Interchange-PIC-1-Display-Panels-Complete.pdf>

8. Other Business:

9. Adjournment: 8:33 p.m.