



Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: April 25, 2022
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Virtual

1. Members Present:

Nick Morrison (Chair), Carm Piro, Beth Revelle, Don Richardson, Briana Petersen, Alexander Andrenkov, Jon Millman

2. Member Regrets:

Tim Park, Peter Buckley

3. Others Present:

Councillor Shawna Stolte, Catherine Baldelli (Manager of Planning and Business Services - Burlington Transit), Jeff Black (Manager of Traffic Operations and Signals), Dan Ozimkovic (Transportation Planning Technologist), Georgie Gartside (Clerk)

4. Land Acknowledgement:

The Chair read the city's land acknowledgement.

5. Declarations of Interest:

None.

6. Approval of Minutes:

6.1 Approve minutes from the meeting held March 28, 2022

Moved by D. Richardson:

Approve the March 28, 2022 Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee minutes as presented.

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7. Delegation(s):

None.

8. Regular Items:

8.1 Staff updates:

a. Transportation planning

No update.

b. Active transportation

Dan provided the following updates:

- preparations are underway for Bike Month in June. Communication materials will be shared with the committee to assist in promoting. Tourism Burlington and Burlington Public Library will have cycling giveaways to hand out.
- city will participate in Bike to School Week with both school boards to promote cycling to school in May and June.
- 20-25 bike racks will be given away to interested organizations - launch will be mid-May.
- cycling maps are printed and copies will be available at the city's five major community centres, Tourism Burlington and Burlington Public Library. If committee members know of a business interested in having copies available, send Dan an email.
- the five bike repair stations will be restored by the end of next week with new tools and bike pumps.
- an additional bike repair station will be added to Plains Road as part of the new on-road protected facilities.
- waiting on draft document from consultant for the Rural Active Transportation Strategy. The document will be part of the Integrated Mobility Plan.

c. Traffic operations and signals

Jeff shared the following updates:

- city staff teamed up with Halton Police on an enforcement campaign on Maple Avenue. Message board trailers were

installed to remind vehicles to stop for school buses. Police officers were present and ticketing offenders.

- finalizing an agreement for the city's traffic signal system to include adaptive technology software. The software will implement traffic signal timing changes to assist with unplanned traffic congestion.
- celebrated School Crossing Guard Appreciation Day last month and the Mayor read a proclamation at the March Council meeting.

Question:

Why doesn't the city synchronize its traffic lights?

Jeff said the lights are timed with the side streets to minimize the stop time for the two-way traffic.

d. Transit

Catherine updated the committee on the following:

- service changes will begin on May 15 to increase service on some routes.
- over 900 bus stops were assessed with a safety and accessibility lens and a number of stops will be reconstructed over the summer.

Questions:

Has there been anything discussed in Burlington about making transit free?

Catherine said transit is free for seniors Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., and free for children as well. Free transit for everyone has been discussed but it's a budget issue.

Transit may not be cheaper than driving for families. Has the city looked into a transit family pass?

Catherine said this is not something staff has looked at yet.

Has the policy about pets on buses been updated?

Catherine said it was reviewed with transit operators and they would like to keep the policy status quo.

Suggestion:

- create a story board showing an example of a transit ride across the city that includes the travel time and cost compared to driving across the city.

8.2 Roundtable updates:

a. Burlington Accessibility Advisory Committee

Georgie shared that Doug has resigned from BAAC and a new member will need to be appointed to ITAC.

b. Burlington Cycling Advisory Committee

Jon shared that the committee is putting together a list of suggested locations for new bike repair stations for Dan's consideration.

c. Burlington Seniors' Advisory Committee

No update.

d. Burlington Sustainable Development Advisory Committee

No update.

9. Other Business:

None.

10. Adjournment:

Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.