



Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: October 28, 2024
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Hybrid meeting- Virtual and Room 247 City Hall

1. **Members Present:**

Pat Debly, Chair (BAAC), Tom Hayes, Michael Gioseffi, Lachlan Fraser, Andrea Grebenc, Naomi Williams, Irene MacDonald, Steve Shuta (BSAC), Jon Millman (Cycling)

2. **Member Regrets:**

Sean Morrison (SDC)

3. **Others Present:**

Councillor Shawna Stolte, Jim Young (Bfast), Irene Castonguay (Cycling), Lisa Palermo (Clerk)

4. **Land Acknowledgement**

The Chair read the Land Acknowledgement.

5. **Declarations of Interest:**

None.

6. **Approval of Minutes:**

6.1 Minutes from the meeting held September 23, 2024, were approved.

7. **Delegation(s):**

7.1 Nick Morrison, Safe Street Halton

Nick Morrison spoke regarding Safe Street Halton's response to the Province of Ontario proposal to restrict bike lanes and raise highway speed limits - *Bill 212 Reducing gridlock, saving you time Act, 2024*. Safe

Street's Halton will send their comments regarding the proposed Act to the Minister.

MOTION to permit a delegation that registered past the required deadline - Nick Morrison, Safe Streets Halton. Carried.

8. Regular Items:

8.1 Transportation Planning and Active Transportation

a. Downtown Parking Plan

Stephanie Robinson, Transportation Planning Technologist provided a presentation on the Downtown Parking Plan.

- staff will report back to committee with an update before the next Public Information Centre (PIC) in March/April
- Information is available on the [City's Get Involved webpage](#).

b. Province of Ontario proposal to restrict bike lanes and raise highway speed limits

MOTION: to provide a co-signed submission with staff and other Advisory Committees, and also send a letter to the Minister from ITAC alone. Carried.

Lachlan will take the lead on drafting a submission for the members to review and approve and will work as a liaison with the other committees.

Members agree that the proposed Bill 212 is an overstep by province. Municipalities have a handle on their own decision making process and engagement before a bike lane goes in. Bike lanes support development. Other means of transportation need to be considered - not just bikes.

Having a dedicated space for biking is the right choice. Generally members agree that street diets are not the best choice and suggested using other spaces (i.e. Hydro corridor) to help move people on bikes in places other than through the streets.

8.2 Traffic Signals and Operations

Bryan provided an update:

- Automated speed enforcement - at the Oct 7 Committee of the Whole meeting, committee requested 6 cameras be installed and rotated. Six automated speed enforcement cameras will be

installed in existing and new Community Safety Zones. The intent of the program is to improve road safety by changing driver behaviour and increasing speed limit compliance. The initial deployments will be installed in areas with school activity by Q4 of 2025. Staff plan to provide a project update to council in the second quarter of 2025. The City will share location and further information on the program as it progresses in 2025. The program requires automated speed enforcement signage to be in place 90 days prior to a location/camera being activated. This program requires additional staff in Traffic Operations and Field Services which were approved through the committee report and will be incorporated into the 2025 budget. The intent of the program is to operate revenue neutral. Any revenues that are realized through the program, above and beyond the operating expenditures will be placed in a reserve fund to be used for roadway safety initiatives.

- School safety committee - Transportation staff are proposing the creation of a school safety committee made up of council members, staff, school boards and the community to make recommendations for improvement in and around schools and school property. The target date for the committee creation is Jan. 2025.

8.3 Transit

a. Relocation of Burlington Transit Terminal

Dawn provided an update:

- a staff report is going to COW on Nov. 4th regarding moving the downtown bus terminal to the Burlington Go site. An office will be located there with the hours of operation being the same. 8am - 6pm weekly, 10am - 2pm weekends.

b. Service enhancements

Dawn provided an update:

- November 3rd enhancements will be made to service on routes 25 and 11 (running every 15 minutes at peak and additional trips added). Route 52 will now service the 407 park lot.
- In the spring of 2025 all bus stops will be 100% accessible.

8.4 Work plan initiatives

a. Update from working group regarding student safety survey

Sub-committee members are still waiting for a response from the school board and discussing best approach to get the survey out to parents and guardians. The survey can be shared with the future safety committee, school boards can be approached to request their participation on the committee and rather than go through the school board, approach one or two schools individually to get their buy-in.

9. **Advisory Committee Liaison Updates:**

9.1 Sustainable Development Committee (SDC)

no update at this time.

9.2 Cycling Committee (Cycling)

Jon relayed that Cycling are finalizing their 2025 work plan and establishing work groups to assign the work plan initiatives to. Cycling will be discussing the province's announcement of the proposed Bill 212 at their next meeting to prepare a response to Ministry.

9.3 Seniors' Advisory Committee (BSAC)

No information to be provided at this time.

9.4 Accessibility Advisory Committee (BAAC)

Pat relayed that the committee had a discussion about the Downtown Parking Study. BAAC is looking at the size of parking spaces and accessible spaces that have EV chargers. Individuals in wheel chairs can't access the EV chargers.

10. **Other Business:**

10.1 December social gathering - December 2024

The December social is confirmed for Dec. 9th. Further details will be provided by email.

10.2 2025 City budget

There are no specific transportation related items for the committee to delegate to.

10.3 Committee annual report and 2025 work plan

Pat will prepare the annual report for 2024.

Members are asked to review the 2024 work plan and come with recommendations for additions, deletions, amendments, etc. for the 2025 work plan.

11. Adjournment:

Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:58 a.m.