



Burlington Cycling Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: February 24, 2026
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Room 247, City Hall, second floor

1. Members Present:

Ellie Castonguay, Laura Fowlie, Murray Strum, Corey Finnigan

2. Member regrets:

Jon Millman, Katherine Dobson, Councillor Nisan

3. Others Present:

Claire Basinski (Community Trails Strategy consultant), Dan Ozimkovic (Transportation Planning Technologist), Suzanne Gillies (Clerk)

4. Land Acknowledgement

The Chair read the Land Acknowledgement.

5. Declarations of Interest:

None

6. Approval of Minutes:

6.1 Approve the minutes from the meeting held November 25, 2025

On motion the minutes from the meeting held November 25, 2025 were approved as presented.

6.2 Approve the minutes from the meeting held January 27, 2026

On motion the minutes from the meeting held January 27, 2026 were approved as presented.

7. Delegation(s):

None

8. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

This item was deferred to the March 31, 2026 meeting,

9. Regular Items:

- 9.1 Community Trails Strategy project update - Marion Rabeau (Manager, Design & Construction), Claire Basinski (Consultant)

Claire Basinski provided a presentation (attached) and the committee asked the following questions and made the following comments:

(Q) Do the current trails fit into the new classification categories? Do the trails have the ability to shift from one classification to another? (A) The direction that the plan will take (unless an existing trail is identified for improvement or formalization) is to create a trail classification framework to determine the most appropriate trail classification which could be confirmation or aspiration. The point made about trails not being used as intended is common and due to the trails being multi-use when now there is more of a need for definition of land use, interaction, experience to create a full picture to remove the disconnect of how the trail is intended to be used and how it is actually used.

(Q) There are many trails that are undersized for the amount of traffic on them, this has increased over the last 6 years and expected to continue to increase, feedback from the public often has this conflict at the root. What is the solution for this? (A) The Major Greenway Trail classification (which would be the Centennial Path, maybe Maple Trail) would be 2 separate trails beside each other with a buffer between, one would be for higher speed users, the other for pedestrian or slower speed users. This is the recommendation that will be in the plan for this classification of trails.

(Q) Are there measures of success built into the plan? (A) Not currently part of this presentation today, but will be part of the plan. Working on what the evaluations will entail, frequency, how are we gathering data, how are we responding, update timelines.

(Q) You have mentioned that on road and intersections are out of scope for this project, will there be any connectivity when a trail intersects with a road. (A) Correct they are out of scope, we are looking to work with what the city has in place already and meant to work with existing plans and identify crossings and make recommendations.

(Q) Is there opportunity to partner with private land owners in order to connect city trails with private property destinations? (A) Yes, finding connections on Regional, Hydro and City owned lands will be investigated

and discussed when appropriate/necessary. Private lands are a little more difficult but not out of the question to try to work with private land owners to secure important connections throughout the trail network.

Comments/feedback is welcome, the team is also willing to meet with committee members or come to another meeting.

9.2 2025 annual report

On motion the committee approved the 2025 annual report.

9.3 Staff updates - Dan

This item was deferred to the March 31, 2026 meeting.

9.4 Ward rides

This item was deferred to the March 31, 2026 meeting.

9.5 2026 Workplan discussion

Dan provided the following updates to the committee:

- Project charters being filled out for resurfacing and reconstruction projects and all the cycling recommendations are coming from the Transportation staff and are keeping an eye what is coming ahead to ensure cycling infrastructure outlined in the Cycling Master Plan and Integrated Mobility Plan are included.
- Meeting with EcoCounter providers, will ask about having data on Open Data
- First draft of the interactive cycling map, Dan will be reviewing to ensure all cycling facilities and connective trails are included on the map, very user friendly. Dan will share updates with the committee as they happen.

10. Other Business:

The committee agreed to attend the Burlington Community Traffic Forum at the Art Centre on April 1, 2026.

11. Adjournment:

Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m.