



Active Transportation and Safe Roads Advisory Committee Minutes

June 8, 2023, 4:00 p.m.
Hybrid Meeting
Whitby Town Hall

Present: Gary Carroll
Ana Duff
David Johnston
Liam Lacy
Brad Mavins
Peter Phillips, Chair
Lewis Williams

Regrets: John Patte

Also Present: Tara Painchaud, Staff Liaison, Senior Manager of Transportation Services
Lalita Thakali, Staff Liaison, Transportation Engineer
Sean Malby, Senior Manager, Parks, Parks Planning and Culture
Heather Ellis, Council and Committee Coordinator (Recording Secretary)

1. Call to Order
2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

Recommendation:

Moved by Gary Carroll

That the Active Transportation and Safe Roads Advisory Committee minutes of May 11, 2023 be approved.

Carried

4. Presentations

4.1 Alia Tulloch, Transportation Planning Analyst, and Chris Leitch, Principal Planner, Transportation Planning

Re: Durham Meadoway Visioning Study

Alia Tulloch provided a presentation regarding the Durham Meadoway Visioning Study. Highlights of the presentation included:

- an overview of the vision statement and guiding design principles;
- linking to existing amenities; and,
- a summary of proposed route alterations to navigate physical obstacles such as Highway 412, and Ashburn Road to Lynde Creek.

5. General Business and Reports

5.1 Bike Month Update

Lalita Thakali provided an update regarding Bike Month activities including an update to the Active Whitby Map and school visits.

Brad Mavins provided an update regarding Play in Whitby Day. Mr. Mavins stated that the event was well attended and that residents were interested in learning about the Town's active transportation network.

5.2 Mary Street Update

Lalita Thakali provided an update regarding Mary Street which included an overview of the two options for establishing a bike lane along Mary Street.

A question and answer period ensued regarding:

- whether un-urbanized areas would be converted to an urban paved shoulder at a future date;
- plans for pedestrian traffic;
- impacts to the design from the Metrolinx Bus Rapid Transit Plan;
- which stakeholders were being consulted; and,
- the proposed timeline for implementation.

5.3 Work Plan Adoption

Peter Phillips requested that the Committee finalize and approve the Work Plan.

Recommendation:

Moved by Lewis Williams

That the Active Transportation and Safe Roads Advisory Committee approve the Committee's 2023-2026 Work Plan.

Carried

5.4 Water Street Environmental Assessment

Peter Phillips stated that the Water Street EA Study was receiving feedback via Connect Whitby until June 30, 2023 and requested that the Committee submit feedback.

5.5 Summer Construction Schedule

Tara Painchaud advised that construction project updates were on the Town's Construction Updates webpage. Ms. Painchaud advised that upcoming projects included urban road reconstruction projects, converting several intersections to an all-stop intersection, and sidewalk replacement projects.

Sean Malby provided an update regarding upcoming parks and recreation projects including improvements to the Waterfront Trail, the Florence Trail connection at Florence Drive, and the Hydro Electric Power Corridor.

5.6 Bike Counter Update

Lalita Thakali provided an update regarding the location of the bike counters. Ms. Thakali stated that the counters provide information pertaining to bike traffic including number of bikes and direction of travel.

A brief question and answer period ensued regarding how the data was used and whether the data could be shared with the Committee.

6. Council Update

There was no Council update.

7. Other Business

7.1 Recruitment

Tara Painchaud advised that there were two Committee vacancies and that she was requesting the Office of the Town Clerk to open recruitment over the summer.

8. Next Meeting

Thursday, September 14, 2023 - 4:00 p.m.

9. Adjournment

Recommendation:

Moved by Liam Lacy

That the meeting adjourned.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Note: These minutes were approved by the Active Transportation and Safe Roads Advisory Committee on January 11, 2024.