

AGENDA TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 19, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. River Plate Room, Town Hall Meeting No.5

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1. Call to Order 2. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest 3. Approval of Minutes 4. Presentation/Discussion Items **4.1. Bike Month 2016** (30 minutes) 5. Correspondence 6. Update from Council 7. Standing Items 7.1 Work Plan Page 6 8. New/Other Business 9. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: Thursday June 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., River Plate Room, Town Hall



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Transportation Advisory Committee

April 21, 2016

River Plate Room, Town Hall

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Meeting No. 3

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Committee Members: Councillor Marilyn Crawford

Jessica Black, Chair

Keith Haines Zoilo Amoranto Caryn Antram Lynn Trauzzi Wayne Hingston

Staff: Elysia Leung, Active Transportation Coordinator

Sarah Moore, Committee Coordinator

Guests: Andrew Jackson, Landscape Architect

Michael Binetti, Durham Region Transit Planner

Regrets: Hubert Ng, Mohammed Akthar, Stu Logan, Dev Ramkallie,

1. Call to Order

Chair Black called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None

3. Approval of Minutes

Moved By: C. Antram Seconded By: Z. Amoranto

That the Minutes of the February 18, 2016 Meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee be approved.

CARRIED

4. Presentation/Discussion

4.1 Lakeview Boulevard Improvements EA Community Working Group

A. Jackson, provided an overview of the Lakeview Boulevard Improvements Environmental Assessment, which will review options for possible realignment of the road in the Paradise Park neighbourhood. As changes and construction along the Ajax waterfront are sensitive matters, staff are looking to conduct increased public consultation efforts. He noted that a Community Working Group is being established, comprised of residents in the study area, residents outside of the study area and representatives from some of the Town's advisory committees. A representative from the Committee was sought to participate. The Community Working Group will meet approximately four times throughout the duration of the study, and there will be an additional two public consultation meetings. Several Members expressed interest in participating, therefore those interested were asked to complete an online application. Members posed questions relative to the time commitment of the Working Group and timeline of the project.

4.2 Durham Region Transit 5-year Service Strategy

Michael Binetti, Durham Regional Transit Planner, presented a summary of DRT's new 5-year service strategy, outlining the impacts on Ajax. Beginning June 27, 2016, the DRT Ajax service network will be realigned to a grid network. Service features of the strategy will include route realignment, serving new growth areas, service hours, service frequency and high frequency network. The changes are being implemented in order to simplify the bus network, position the networks for new growth areas, and to overall increase DRT ridership. M. Binetti discussed how the new network will provide two-way service on all Ajax routes, removing one-way loops and allowing for more direct trips. Changes will include faster trips to and from the Go Station, new direct service between south Ajax and the PULSE BRT, as well as continuous service along Rossland road from Pickering to Oshawa. Services are also being extended north to Taunton Road.

Members posed several questions relative to connection times, bus stop locations, community bus impacts, shelters and pedestrian crossings, accessibility (curb cuts, accessible paths of travel to/from the concrete pad), school routes, and communications outreach. Members strongly encouraged broad communications and potentially posting the customer service telephone contact for DRT at each bus stop. The Committee requested that customer service working hours be extended to parallel the hours of service for the first week of changes. M. Binetti encouraged Members to forward additional comments and feedback to him via email: michael.binetti@durham.ca.

4.3 Trailfest 2016

E. Leung solicited volunteers to assist with Trailfest on June 12, 2016. The event will start at Arbour Park. L. Trauzzi and Z. Amoranto volunteered to take part in helping with the rides.

4.4 TAC Bike Month 2016

- S. Moore confirmed that the Committee is booked for a proclamation request to Council in recognition of June as Bike Month at the May 16, 2016 Meeting. She requested volunteers from the Committee to speak. W. Hingston and L. Trauzzi volunteered to present. Staff will assist with coordinating speaking notes.
- E. Leung encouraged feedback from Members relative to an activity or event they are interested in leading as part of recognition of Bike Month. She discussed details relevant to

Bike to School Week and Bike to Work Day. It was noted that 12 schools in Ajax have already signed up to take part in Bike to School Week Activities that will entitled the schools to a free bike rack through the Healthy Kids Community Challenge. Bike Month recognition will also include social media messaging, and Trailfest. E. Leung noted that she has obtained an adult bicycle that can be used as a prize for a Bike Month Competition. Members expressed interest in facilitating community bike rides to showcase the utility of biking and the Town's "Welcome Cyclists" businesses. Chair Black agreed to look at mapping and logistics of coordinating a ride.

5. Correspondence

E. Leung noted that she would follow up with Kevin Smith, Active Living Coordinator, in response to the letter sent to the Healthy Kids Community Challenge Steering Committee on behalf of the Committee.

6. Update from Council

Councillor Crawford provided information that the General Government Committee had recently approved the tender design contract for the Audley Recreation Centre Phase 2. She noted that he would provide details of public consultation opportunities once available. Council has also approved a waterfront strategy to help mitigate concerns with parking and over-crowding onsite. Both staff reports from the April 11, 2016 General Government Committee Meeting are available online through ajax.ca. Additionally, Councillor Crawford discussed several recent delegations to Council regarding the potential closure/merger of the Rouge Valley Health System that could potentially impact the Ajax hospital. Members were encouraged to read more about advocacy groups in the community and to share information within their networks. An online petition has been created to solicit support against a merge. The petition is available at https://keeprvhstogether.com/.

7. Standing Items

7.1 Work Plan

E. Leung noted recent staffing changes to the Transportation section and advised that several of the work plan items will be deferred until the fall. Members were encouraged to provide feedback on additional items they would like the opportunity to provide feedback on. Members discussed traffic calming measures on Clements Road West and inquired how speed limits are established on municipal roads.

8. New Business

None.

9. Adjournment

Moved By: L. Trauzzi Seconded By: K. Haines

That the April 21, 2016 Meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee be adjourned. (7:45 p.m.)

CARRIED



Meeting Date	Objective / Project	Task	Lead	Timeline	Status
March 24 2016	 TAC Bike Month Activities Trailfest Update Electric Vehicles 	 Review and choose activities to implement Review EV plans for Town 	Jessica Black Elysia Leung Jade Schofield		
April 21 2016	 Traffic Calming Update Transportation Awareness Campaign Update Transportation Awareness Campaign Brainstorm 	 Review and comment on upcoming traffic calming projects Brainstorm Regional, Provincial and Federal issues for Transportation Awareness Campaign 	Samson Wat Elysia Leung		
May 19 2016	TAC Bike Month UpdateDRT 5-year service plan update	Review progress of activity planning	Jessica Black Elysia Leung DRT		
June 16 2016	Wayfinding Signage Workshop	Workshop with Wayfinding Signage consultants	Elysia Leung		
September 22 2016	 Region of Durham Transportation Master Plan Update Smart Commute Update 	Comment on the Region's multi- modal transportation policy and infrastructure needs.	Hubert Ng Elysia Leung Region of Durham		
October 20 2016	Road Watch UpdateAT facilities 2016 implementation update	Update on yearly Road Watch projects and campaigns	Samson Wat Elysia Leung		
November 17 2016	 Transportation Awareness Campaign 2016 Update 	Review 2016 projects from Transportation Awareness Campaign	Elysia Leung		
December 22 2016	 Wayfinding Signage Update 	Update for project	Hubert Ng Elysia Leung		