

## **TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES**

An Open meeting of the Transportation Committee (Bicycle Advisory Group) was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Wednesday, **2014 September 10** at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillor Nick Volkow, In the Chair  
Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, Vice Chair  
Mr. Lloyd Paul, Citizens' Representative  
Mr. Dave Reid, Citizens' Representative

**ABSENT:** Councillor Richard Chang, Member  
Ms. Amber Keane, Citizens' Representative  
Ms. Maria Marano, Citizens' Representative

**B.A.G.:** Mr. Chris Siggers, Bicycle Advisory Group  
Ms. Sally Pankratz, Bicycle Advisory Group

**STAFF:** Mr. Doug Louie, Assistant Director Engineering, Traffic & Parking Management  
Mr. Stu Ramsey, Manager, Transportation Planning  
Ms. Leah Libsekal, Transportation Planner  
Mr. Mark Dal-Santo, Traffic Technician  
Mr. Ian Wasson, Urban Design Planner  
Ms. Eva Prior, Administrative Officer

The Chair called the Open meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

#### **1. MINUTES**

- (a) **Minutes of the Transportation Committee  
Open Meeting held on 2014 June 11**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:**

**SECONDED BY MR. PAUL:**

"THAT the minutes of the Transportation Committee meeting held on 2014 June 11 be adopted."

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **2. BICYCLE ADVISORY GROUP - CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED BY MR. REID:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:

“THAT the correspondence be received.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**(a) Correspondence from Ms. Cathy Griffin**

**Re: Request for Improvements to Sea to River Bike Route  
Gilmore Avenue, from Still Creek to Canada Way**

Correspondence was received from Ms. Cathy Griffin requesting improvements to the Sea to River Bikeway be expedited. Ms. Griffin is concerned that the timeline outlined in the Council report to proceed with detailed design and cost estimates to allow for upgrades to the Gilmore Urban Trail Highway 1 crossing are too lengthy.

Staff advised that Council have adopted recommendations to authorize an expenditure for the design of specific works for the Still Creek Drive to Canada Way section of the Gilmore Trail. Staff will endeavour to advance the project faster than reported in the press.

**(b) Correspondence from HUB-Burnaby Committee**

**Re: Support for Improvements to Sea to River Bike Route  
Gilmore Avenue, from Still Creek to Canada Way**

Correspondence was received from the HUB-Burnaby Committee advising that they support the City proposed improvements to the Sea to River Bikeway on Gilmore Avenue, from Still Creek Drive to Canada Way.

Staff advised that Council have adopted recommendations to authorize an expenditure for the design of specific works for the Still Creek Drive to Canada Way section of the Gilmore Trail. Staff will endeavour to advance to project faster than reported in the press. As is the usual practice, staff will invite HUB members for a site visit once a draft design has been submitted.

The Committee requested that staff provide a count of cyclists/trips in Burnaby over the last five years.

Staff undertook to provide this information to the Committee.

**(c) New Business**

**Sally Pankratz**

Ms. Pankratz advised that the path along the north end of the track at Burnaby Central Secondary School is eroding. Ms. Pankratz requested the City work with the Burnaby School District to designate this portion as an urban trail.

Ms. Pankratz queried if the City would continue the bike lane on Sprott Street, from Norland Avenue to Kensington Avenue.

Staff advised land is currently not available on the south side of Sprott Street. Staff are hopeful that the bike lane will be completed through redevelopment in the area.

Ms. Pankratz requested that staff:

- repair a hole on the west side of the Kensington Urban Trail (KUT) north of Still Creek; and
- investigate creating a shared bike/pedestrian path on Broadway, where the KUT ends; and
- investigate placement of curb ramps on the islands at Kensington Avenue and Broadway; and
- improve the curb on the narrow stretches of Kensington Avenue.

Ms. Pankratz expressed concern that the completion of Still Creek Avenue, near Costco, will increase traffic on Douglas Road.

Ms. Pankratz also requested that staff investigate patching the curb side pavement on Gilpin Street west of Mahon Avenue.

Staff undertook to investigate.

Ms. Pankratz requested that the City implement separated cycling lanes in the Metrotown to Highgate area.

Staff advised that as development continues in the Metrotown Town Centre developers are encouraged to provide cycling and pedestrian infrastructure.

(d) **Inquiries**

No inquiries were brought forward at this time.

**3. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE – CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS**

MOVED BY MR. REID:

SECONDED BY MR. PAUL:

“THAT the correspondence and reports be received.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (a) **Correspondence from Terry Goebel**  
**Re: Increased Traffic Volumes on**  
**Armstrong Avenue, Cariboo, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenues**

Correspondence was received by Mr. Terry Goebel expressing concern regarding the increase in traffic on Cariboo Road, 10<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and Armstrong Avenues. Mr. Goebel believes that the increase in traffic is a result of motorists seeking to avoid the tolled Port Mann Bridge.

Staff have been in contact with the City of New Westminster to monitor impacts and collaborate on initiatives to address the arising concerns.

Arising from discussion the Committee introduced the following motion:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:  
SECONDED BY MR. PAUL:

"THAT this item of correspondence be referred to staff for review."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**(b) Memorandum from Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services**  
**Re: Update Regarding Fence Replacement**  
**at Greentree Village Park**

A memorandum was received from the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department to address an item of New Business that was brought forward at the 2014 June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding the replacement of a fence along Wayburne Drive at Greentree Village Park.

Staff advised that the fence will be replaced.

**(c) Email from Manager, Transportation Planning**  
**Re: Response from the Province on the Intersection**  
**of Willingdon Avenue at Canada Way**

An email was received from Manager, Transportation Planning addressing concerns brought forward by the Committee regarding recent changes made by the Province at the intersection of Willingdon Avenue and Canada Way.

**(d) Report from Director Planning and Building**  
**Re: Bus Route Extension for Route #116**

The Director Planning and Building submitted a report seeking authorization of bus service on sections of the North Fraser Way and Marine Way in the Big Bend Area.

The Director Planning and Building recommended:

1. THAT Council authorize the use of North Fraser Way and Marine Way by transit buses for the extension of Route #116 into the eastern portion of the Big Bend Community Plan Area, as outlined in this report.

2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. K. Chow, Service Planner, Coast Mountain Bus Company.
3. THAT copies of this report be sent to those that have corresponded with the City on this matter in the recent past.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:  
SECONDED BY MR. PAUL:

“THAT the recommendations of the Director Planning and Building be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(e) **Report from Director Planning and Building**  
**Re: New Westminster Draft Master**  
**Transportation Plan**

The Director Planning and Building submitted a report to provide comments to the City of New Westminster on their draft *Master Transportation Plan*.

The Director Planning and Building recommended:

1. THAT Council authorize staff to request that New Westminster engage in a detailed review of the various cycling, truck route, and road classification issues arising from New Westminster’s draft Master Transportation *Plan*.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the City Clerk, City of New Westminster, 511 Royal Avenue, New Westminster, BC, V3L 1H9.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:  
SECONDED BY MR. REID:

“THAT the recommendations of the Director Planning and Building be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

**David Reid**

Mr. Reid requested that staff investigate cause of traffic back-ups on Gaglardi Way, south of Lougheed Highway.

Staff undertook to investigate.

Mr. Reid advised the Committee that northbound traffic is travelling straight through the intersection at Boundary Road and Grandview Highway, in the right turn only lane.

Staff undertook to notify RCMP and request enforcement.

**Councillor Dhaliwal**

Councillor Dhaliwal requested that staff provide an update on the City's bus shelter program regarding accessibility, safety and cleanliness.

Staff advised replacement of older shelters is continuing and eco-bins are being placed in areas where litter is an issue.

**5. INQUIRIES**

**Lloyd Paul**

Mr. Paul queried the relocation of the terminus of the C6 and C7 buses at Metrotown during the reconstruction phase of the Metrotown SkyTrain Station. Mr. Paul requested that TransLink and Coast Mountain provide clear indication to passengers as to the changes that are anticipated.

Staff advised that short term changes are anticipated; however, the City has not been informed as to what the interim changes will be.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY MR. REID:

SECONDED BY MR. PAUL:

“THAT the Open meeting do now adjourn.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Open meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Ms. Eva Prior  
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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Councillor Nick Volkow  
CHAIR