



TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, 2015 May 05

An 'Open' meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee was held in the Council Chamber, Burnaby City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Tuesday, 2015 May 05 at 6:00 PM.

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Councillor P. McDonell, Chair
Councillor P. Calendino, Vice Chair
Councillor J. Wang, Member
Mr. J. Artuso, Citizen Representative
Ms. N. Gobis Cutayne, School Board Representative
Mr. B. Heslop, District Parent Advisory Council Rep
Mr. E. Laity, Citizen Representative
Mr. C. Redekop, Burnaby Board of Trade
Mr. N. Vizniak, Citizen Representative
Mr. T. Webster, ICBC Representative

ABSENT: Mr. S. Baron, Senior Citizen Representative
Mr. H. Sidhu-Kambo, Coast Mountain Bus Company Rep

STAFF: Mr. S. Ramsey, Manager - Transportation Planning
Mr. D. Louie, Asst Director Engineering - Traffic & Parking
Ms. E. Prior, Administrative Officer

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

2. MINUTES

a) Minutes of the Open meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee held on 2015 March 03

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR P. CALENDINO
SECONDED BY MR. E. LAITY

THAT the minutes of the Traffic Safety Committee 'Open' meeting held on 2015 March 03 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **DELEGATION**

MOVED BY MR. J. ARTUSO
SECONDED BY MR. E. LAITY

THAT the delegation be heard.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a) **Ms. Jennifer Yamagata**
Re: Speeding in 9100 Block of Forest Grove Drive

Ms. Jennifer Yamagata appeared before the Committee regarding speeding on Forest Grove Drive. Ms. Yamagata expressed concern for the safety of children attending Forest Grove Elementary School and Forest Grove Park.

The delegation proposed a number of possible solutions to address the concerns of excessive speed along this roadway. These included a request for speed humps or raised crosswalks, increased RCMP enforcement of speed limits and further communication with Coast Mountain Bus Company to address transit vehicle speeds.

Staff noted that due to the collector designation of Forest Grove Drive, policy and application guidelines preclude the use of speed humps.

Staff advised they will undertake the following:

- correspond with Coast Mountain Bus Company to address speeding buses;
- correspond with RCMP regarding further enforcement;
- installation of additional and larger speed limit indication signs; and
- an additional traffic/speed count.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR P. CALENDINO
SECONDED BY MR. E. LAITY

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a) Correspondence from Chris Budd
Re: Traffic Safety Concerns - Patterson SkyTrain Station

Correspondence was received from Chris Budd expressing concern regarding pedestrian safety at the Patterson SkyTrain Station.

Mr. Budd noted that due to the temporary decommissioning of the elevators/escalators at the Metrotown SkyTrain Station, a HandyDart shuttle service has been established at Patterson to transfer passengers with mobility issues to Metrotown. Pedestrian safety concerns arise due to the close proximity of the HandyDart stop in relation to the crosswalk. Mr. Budd expressed concern regarding the restricted visibility of pedestrians using the crosswalk.

Staff advised that Mr. Budd's concerns were raised with Coast Mountain Bus Company. Approximately six parking spaces on the north side of Central Boulevard will be removed to allow two-way traffic to bypass a stopped bus. The location of the HandyDart shuttle stop near the existing crosswalk is required to allow for wheelchair passengers to use the drop curb to access the rear lift on the HandyDart shuttles. The concern regarding pedestrian visibility was addressed by shifting the shuttle bus stop about 3 meters east and requesting that HandyDart drivers turn on their emergency lights while stopped at the location to forewarn motorists of potential pedestrian activity.

b) Correspondence from Yasmin and Shaukat Jiwa
Re: Pedestrian Concerns - Bus Stop 4000 Block Marine Drive

Correspondence was received from Yasmin and Shaukat Jiwa outlining concerns in relation to a bus stop in front of their home at 4045 Marine Drive.

The Jiwass advised the number of passengers and frequency of buses has increased due to new development in the area. While waiting for the arrival of buses, passengers are standing in the home owners' driveway and seeking shelter on their porch which creates a security/safety risk to the Jiwass and passengers. Litter around the bus stop has also become a problem.

Staff advised that options have been explored; however, no changes to the bus stop are recommended at this time. Staff will undertake to review the need for a garbage container and bus shelter.

c) Correspondence from Sharleen Billy
Re: Traffic Calming - Pender Street, East of Boundary

Correspondence was received from Sharleen Billy requesting traffic calming measures on Pender Street, east of Boundary Avenue. Ms. Billy advised that traffic and noise have been increasing on Pender Street due to motorists circumventing Hastings Street. Ms. Billy noted that it has become dangerous for

children and seniors to cross Pender Street due to the volume and speed of traffic.

This item of correspondence was referred to staff for review.

5. **REPORTS**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR P. CALENDINO
SECONDED BY MR. J. ARTUSO

THAT the reports be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a) **Report from Director Engineering** **Re: Kingsway Between Edmonds and 14th Avenue**

A report was received by the Director Engineering recommending the conversion of a pedestrian signal to a full signal at Kingsway/14th Avenue and the installation of a new pedestrian signal at Kingsway/16th Avenue.

The Director Engineering recommended:

1. THAT the Committee recommend to Council that the existing pedestrian signal at Kingsway and 14th Ave be converted from a pedestrian signal to a full traffic signal at an estimated cost of \$140,000 funded from the 2015 Capital Budget (Traffic Signals EMF.0041).
2. THAT the Committee recommend to Council that a new pedestrian signal be installed at Kingsway and 16th Ave at an estimated cost of \$220,000 funded from the 2015 Capital Budget (Traffic Signals EMF.0041).
3. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Eastburn Junior Youth Group c/o Ms. Mina Rohani, Apt 216, 7040 Arcola St, Burnaby, BC V5E 1H6.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR P. CALENDINO
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR J. WANG

THAT the recommendations of the Director Engineering be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**b) Report from Director Engineering
Re: Marine Drive at Nelson Avenue**

A report was received from the Director Engineering recommending the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Marine Drive and Nelson Avenue.

The Director Engineering recommended:

1. THAT the Committee recommend to Council the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Marine Dr and Nelson Ave at an estimated cost of \$240,000 funded from the 2015 Capital Budget (Traffic Signals EMF.0041).

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR P. CALENDINO
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR J. WANG

THAT the recommendation of the Director Engineering be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of New Business brought forward at this time.

7. INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries brought forward at this time.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR P. CALENDINO
SECONDED BY CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE MR. E. LAITY

THAT this Open Committee meeting do now adjourn.

The Open meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Eva Prior
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Councillor Sav Dhaliwal
CHAIR