

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Toronto Cycling Committee

Meeting No. 7

Monday, September 24, 2001.

The Toronto Cycling Committee met on Monday, September 24, 2001, in Committee Room No. 2, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, Toronto, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Olivia Chow, Co-Chair
Mr. Stephen Fisher, Co-Chair
Mr. Ole Calderone
Mr. Peter Duckworth-Pilkington
Ms. Gillian Flower
Mr. Ron Hart
Mr. Martin Koob
Ms. Nina Koskenoja
Mr. Clay McFayden
Mr. Crawford Murphy
Mr. Rick Nelson
Mr. Phil Piltch
Ms. Jannette Porter

Staff Present:

Mr. Brad Bartlett, Committee Secretary
Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian
Infrastructure Unit
Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner
Mr. Sean Wheldrake, Bicycle Promotions Coordinator

Councillor Olivia Chow and Mr. Stephen Fisher in the Chair.

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Confirmation of Minutes.

On Motion by Mr. Piltch, the Minutes of the meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee held on July 16, 2001, were confirmed.

7.1 Police Cycle Right Campaign.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a presentation from Police Constable Darrin Little, Toronto Police Services, regarding the 2001 Police Cycle Right Campaign.

Police Constable Darrin Little made a presentation to the Toronto Cycling Committee regarding the Police Cycle Right Campaign.

On Motion by Ms. Koskenoja, the Toronto Cycling Committee:

- (1) expressed its appreciation to Police Constable Darrin Little, Toronto Police Services for the presentation on the 2001 Cycle Right Campaign; and
- (2) referred the matter of the 2002 Police Cycle Right Campaign to the March 2002 meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee so that the 2002 Campaign can be discussed by the Committee and input given to the Toronto Police Services.

(Sent To: Police Constable Darrin Little; c: Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit; Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner - September 25, 2001)

Councillor Chow in the Chair.

7.2 Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure – Project Updates.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the following:

- (1) communication (September 14, 2001) from Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit, advising the Toronto Cycling Committee on a number of cycling related issues: including 2002 Bikeway Network Priorities, Bicycle Parking, Kipling Bike Path, Lakeshore East Path, Runnymede Bicycle Lanes, Gerrard – Church Intersection, and Spadina Avenue Edge Lines;
- (2) Toronto Cycling Committee Orientation Meeting Notes (September 15, 2001) from Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure;
- (3) Post and Ring Request Form; and
- (4) Bikeway Network – Draft 2002 Priorities (Under Review) from Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit.

On Motion by Mr. Fisher, the Toronto Cycling Committee requested that Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit, continue to update the Committee on The Bikeway Network- Draft 2002 Priorities (Under Review), for their information.

(Sent To: Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure Unit – September 25, 2001)

7.3 Bike Map.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (July 19, 2001) addressed to Mr. Gerald Corbett, Co-Chair, and Ms. Jannette Porter, Co-Chair, Communications and Promotions Sub-Committee from Acting City Clerk, referring the matter of the Bike Map to the September 24, 2001 meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee, as directed by the Committee at its meetings held on March 19, 2001 and July 16, 2001.

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On Motion by Mr. Fisher, the Toronto Cycling Committee:

- (1) referred the matter of the Bike Map to Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Committee for a report back to the Toronto Cycling Committee on such matters as sponsorship, funding, timelines for implementation, design and changes to the Bike Map; and
- (2) appointed a working group consisting of the following persons to work with Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit, on the Bike Map:
 - Mr. Allan Stokell, Group Leader;
 - Mr. Kenneth Cromie;
 - Mr. Stephen Fisher;
 - Mr. Phil Piltch;
 - Mr. Ron Hart; and
 - Mr. Robert Gordon

(Sent To: Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit; c: Communications and Promotions Sub-Committee; Mr. Allan Stokell, Group Leader; Mr. Kenneth Cromie; Mr. Stephen Fisher; Mr. Phil Piltch; Mr. Ron Hart; Mr. Robert Gordon – September 26, 2001)

7.4 Adjustments to Parks and Recreation Division 2001 Capital Budget.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (August 1, 2001) addressed to the Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism from Acting City Clerk, advising that City Council at its meeting held on July 24, 25 and 26, 2001, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 17 contained in Report No. 11 of the Policy and finance Committee, headed “Adjustments to Parks and Recreation Division 2001 Capital Budget (All Wards)”.

On Motion by Mr. Piltch, the Toronto Cycling Committee referred the aforementioned communication to Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit to review the trail from the Don Valley

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Brickworks to Todmorden Mills, in particular Bayview Avenue South, with the Road and Trail Safety Sub-Committee, and with staff from the Parks Division of the Department of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism, and report back to the Toronto Cycling Committee.

(Sent To: Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit; c: Commissioner of Economic Development, Culture and Tourism; Road and Trail Safety Sub-Committee -September 26, 2001)

7.5 Immediate Safety and Protection of Pedestrian on Sidewalks and Pedestrian Crossings.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (July 27, 2001) addressed to the Works Committee from the City Clerk, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, recommending to the Works Committee that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, the Commissioner of Urban Development Services and the General Manager of Transportation Services report on the following matters relating to the immediate safety for pedestrians on sidewalks and pedestrian crossings:

- (1) initiate an awareness program of education and safety to enforce the fact that it is a violation under Metropolitan Toronto By-law 32/92 to ride bicycles (over 61 cm) on sidewalks as stated under Section 17(1) of the above mentioned By-law; as well as provide the awareness program in other languages, as well as English;
- (2) consider an increase to the fine for riding bicycles on sidewalks from the current amount of \$8.75 under Section 17(1) of the Metropolitan Toronto By-law 32/92 to somewhere between \$90.00 and \$110.00 similar to other fines under the Highway Traffic Act for bicycle violations in order to enforce the rules of the road; and
- (3) roll out the new City of Toronto Bike Plan sooner giving priority to the Downtown area.

On Motion by Mr. Fisher, the Toronto Cycling Committee referred the aforementioned communication to Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit to report back to the Toronto Cycling Committee taking into consideration the comments raised at

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the September 24, 2001 meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee.

(Sent To: Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit – September 26, 2001)

7.6 Driving By Cyclists.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (July 9, 2001) from Ms. Kyla Dixon-Muir, advising that she prepared a video, *Driving By Cycles*, designed to teach operators of commercial vehicles that they share the road with cyclists; and requesting the Toronto Cycling Committee to comment on the following points in the video: including, signs, Bike Map, road repairs, bike lanes and paths, administration and safety.

On Motion by Mr. McFayden, the Toronto Cycling Committee:

- (1) requested The Honorable Brad Clark, Minister of Transportation, to provide the Toronto Cycling Committee with an update on the implementation of Recommendation No. 8 of the Coroner's Report On Cycling Fatalities, released in 1998, requiring that Ontario Driver Handbook Material be updated to address bicycle safety messaging; and
- (2) invited Ms. Sharon Harbottle, Policy Advisor, Road Safety Program Office, Ministry of Transportation to the October 15, 2001 meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee to update the Committee on the implementation of bicycle safety messaging into the Ontario Driver Handbook.

(Sent To: The Honorable Brad Clark; c: Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit; Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner; Ms. Kyla Dixon-Muir; Ms. Sharon Harbottle, Policy Advisor, Road Safety Program Office, Ministry of Transportation; Ms. Bridgette Novack, Marketing Office, Ministry of Transportation – October 2, 2001)

**7.7 Strategic Plan for Cycling in Toronto:
The Toronto Bike Plan - Shifting Gears.**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (August 1, 2001) from the Acting City Clerk, advising that City Council at its meeting held on July 24, 25 and 26, 2001, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 3 contained in Report No. 8 of the Planning and Transportation Committee, headed "Strategic Plan for Cycling in Toronto: The Toronto Bike Plan – Shifting Gears (All Wards)".

On Motion by Mr. Piltch, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned communication.

Mr. Stephen Fisher in the Chair

7.8 Proposed Car Free Day – Status Report.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (August 1, 2001) addressed to Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services from the Acting City Clerk, advising that City Council at its meeting held on July 24, 25 and 26, 2001, adopted, as amended, Clause No. 7 contained in Report No. 8 of the Planning and Transportation Committee, headed "Proposed Car Free Day – Status Report (All Wards)".

On Motion by Councillor Chow, the Toronto Cycling Committee expressed its appreciation for the time and effort of the Sierra Club of Canada and staff of the City of Toronto, along with the volunteer efforts of local groups, such as the Community Bicycle Network, Advocacy for the Respect for Cyclists, and students at the University of Toronto, for a successful Car Free Day in the City of Toronto.

(Sent To: Mr. David Messily, c/o Sierra Club of Canada; c: Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit; Mr. Sean Wheldrake, Bicycle Promotions Coordinator; Mr. Ben Smith-Lee and Ms. Nancy Smith-Lee, Advocacy for Respect for Cyclists; Mr. Derek Chadbourne, Community Bicycle Network; Mr. Sheldon Levy, Vice-President, Government & Institutional Relations, University of Toronto - September 27, 2001)

Councillor Chow in the Chair.

**7.9 Appointment of Representative
from the Toronto Pedestrian Committee.**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (July 31, 2001) from the Acting City Clerk, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, advising that the Toronto Pedestrian Committee, at their meeting held on July 18, 2001, appointed Mr. J. Richard Nelson to the Toronto Cycling Committee.

On Motion by Mr. McFayden, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Communication.

7.10 Terms of Reference for the Toronto Cycling Committee.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (July 3, 2001) from the Acting City Clerk, advising that City Council at its meeting held on June 26, 27 and 28, 2001, adopted, without amendment, Clause No. 10 contained in Report No. 6 of the Planning and Transportation Committee, headed "Terms of Reference for the Toronto Cycling Committee".

On Motion by Mr. McFayden, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Communication.

7.11 Nominating Sub-Committee for the Toronto Cycling Committee.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (July 30, 2001) from the Acting City Clerk, advising that City Council at its meeting held on July 24, 25 and 26, 2001, adopted, without amendment, Clause No. 11 contained in Report No. 8 of the Planning and Transportation Committee, headed "Nominating Sub-Committee of the Toronto Cycling Committee".

On Motion by Mr. McFayden, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Communication.

7.12 Bike Free.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (September 9, 2001) from Mr. David Heller, True Solutions Inc., requesting the City of Toronto make available public lands to be used as bikeports for his initiative, to make available bicycles, free of charge, to the residents of the City of Toronto, for 2001.

On Motion by Mr. Piltch, the Toronto Cycling Committee endorsed the concept of free bicycle rentals.

(Sent To: Mr. David Heller, True Solutions Inc.;
c: Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian
Infrastructure Unit – September 27, 2001)

Ms. Jannette Porter, and Mr. Peter Duckworth-Pilkington abstained from the voting on the aforementioned Motion.

7.13 Sub-Committee Minutes.

- (i) Road and Trail Sub-Committee – June 26 and July 25, 2001; and
- (ii) Education and Safety Sub-Committee – September 10, 2001

On Motion by Mr. Hart, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Minutes.

7.14 Community Cycling Advisory Committee Minutes.

- (i) North York Cycling and Pedestrian Committee – August 9, 2001

On Motion by Mr. Hart, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Minutes.

7.15 Pending Items Report.

On Motion by Mr. Pitch, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the following pending items report:

- (1) Waterfront Revitalization Plan;
- (2) McCowan Avenue; and
- (3) Budget Discussions.

The Toronto Cycling Committee adjourned its meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Co-Chair.