

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Office

Minutes of the Toronto Cycling Committee (TCC)

Meeting No. 6

Monday, July 12, 2004

The Toronto Cycling Committee (TCC) met on Monday, July 12, 2004, Committee Room No. 1, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Adam Giambrone, Chair	Member of Toronto City Council
Daya Lye, Co-Chair	Citizen Member
Ian Thomson, Co-Chair	Citizen Member
Steve Crossman	Citizen Member
Dr. Judy Adler	Citizen Member
Craig Barnes	Citizen Member
Pino Di Mascio	Citizen Member
Tim Ellis	Community Bicycle Network
Herschel Fogelman	Citizen Member
Nancy Grieveson	Citizen Member
Martin Koob	Toronto Bicycling Network
Justin Lafontaine	Citizen Member
Clay McFayden	Citizen Member
Jennifer McMartin	Citizen Member
Crawford Murphy	Toronto Catholic District School Board
J. Richard Nelson	Toronto Pedestrian Committee
Brigitte Nowak	Citizen Member
Martin Reis	Advocacy for Respect for Cyclists (ARC)
Nikki Rendle	Citizen Member
Rob Rogers	Citizen Member
John A. Sherk	Toronto District School Board

Regrets:

Michael Paulin

Others Present:

Constable Steve Burns, Toronto Police Service
Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit
Sergeant Devin Kealey, Toronto Police Service
Alex Shevchuk, Planner, Parks Planning
Barb Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning
Sean Wheldrake, Bicycle Promotions Co-ordinator, Transportation Planning

Andrew Wood, Alternate Citizen Member

Councillor Adam Giambrone in the Chair.

Confirmation of Minutes

On Motion by Mr. Crossman, the Minutes of the meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee, held on June 14, 2004, were confirmed.

Committee Secretary in the Chair.

6.1 Election of the Chair

The Committee Secretary assumed the Chair for the purpose of conducting the election for the position of Chair and the election (2 to be elected) for the position of Co-Chair.

Chair

Councillor Adam Giambrone was nominated for the position of Chair. There being no further nominations, Councillor Adam Giambrone was acclaimed as Chair of the Toronto Cycling Committee.

Co-Chair

Ms. Daya Lye, Mr. Craig Barnes and Mr. Ian Thomson were nominated for the position of Co-Chair. Following an election, Ms. Daya Lye and Mr. Ian Thomson were elected for the position of Co-Chair of the Toronto Cycling Committee.

Councillor Adam Giambrone in the Chair

6.2 Cycle Right Campaign

Sergeant Devin Kealey and Constable Steve Burns, Traffic Services, Toronto Police Service, appeared before the Toronto Cycling Committee and made a presentation regarding the Cycle Right Campaign, which was held from June 7, 2004 to June 20, 2004.

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As part of their presentation, the following materials were distributed:

- (a) Brochure headed "You and Your Bicycle";
- (b) Extract from the report (June 2004) from the Advocacy for Respect for Cyclists (ARC) headed "Bicycling in Toronto 2004";
- (c) City of Toronto, Transportation Services, Works and Emergency Services, report (undated) headed "Traffic Data Centre Safety Bureau 2002";
- (d) Toronto Police Service, Traffic Services Highway Patrol report (May 17, 2004) headed "2004 Traffic Safety Programs Calendar";
- (e) Toronto Police Service, Traffic Services, report (undated) providing statistics from the Cycle Right Campaigns of 2002, 2003 and 2004; and
- (f) Extract from the *Highway Traffic Act*.

The Toronto Cycling Committee also had before it the following communications regarding the Cycle Right Campaign:

- (i) (June 9, 2004) from Felicia Cohen;
- (ii) (June 16, 2004) from Darren Stehr; and
- (iii) (June 24, 2004) from Laurence Green.

The following motions were presented and adopted by the Toronto Cycling Committee:

On motion by Mr. Nelson, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the presentation, regarding the Cycle Right Campaign, from Sergeant Devin Kealey and Constable Steve Burns, Traffic Services, Toronto Police Service, be received with thanks.

On motion by Mr. Crossman, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the following communications, be received:

- (a) (June 9, 2004) from Felicia Cohen;
- (b) (June 16, 2004) from Darren Stehr; and
- (c) (June 24, 2004) from Laurence Green.

On motion by Mr. Koob, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends to the Works Committee that City Council request the Toronto Police Service Board and the Chief of Police, Toronto

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Police Service, to consider hosting a forum on cycling safety, in order to discuss such issues as:

- (a) increasing the number of police officers on bikes patrolling Bike lanes and recreation paths;

- (b) improving various means of advocating to cyclists and motorists through:
 - (i) one-time campaigns;
 - (ii) year long measures;
 - (iii) bike rodeos; and
 - (iv) other new measures; and

- (c) providing ongoing education to Traffic Services Officers with regard to the *Highway Traffic Act* and how it relates to cyclists.

On motion by Ms. Lye, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends to the Works Committee that City Council request the Toronto Police Service Board and the Chief of Police, Toronto Police Service, to consider holding the Cycle Right Campaign at the end of June, in order to provide some time separation from the Bike Week Campaign hosted by the City of Toronto.

On motion by Ms. Nowak, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends to the Works Committee that City Council request the Chief of Police, Toronto Police Service, to assign a member of Toronto Police Service, to liase with the Toronto Cycling Committee and attend the meetings of the Toronto Cycling Committee.

The Toronto Cycling Committee reports having requested the Chair and Co-Chairs of the Toronto Cycling Committee to meet with members of the Toronto Police Service Board and appropriate Toronto Police Service staff responsible for the Cycle Right Campaign, in order to discuss changes in the Cycle Right Campaign focusing on education and other issues raised by the Toronto Cycling Committee; and that the Chair and Co-Chairs report back to the Toronto Cycling Committee.

6.3 Bikeway Network

The Toronto Cycling Committee deferred to its next meeting consideration of the Toronto Bike Plan related 2004 Capital Projects and the Preliminary List for 2005, as well as the update regarding the Canadian National Leaside Branch Rail Lands and the Canadian Pacific PS Lead Rail Lands.

6.4 Communications for Information

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the following communications:

(a) Road Reconstruction Protocol and 2004 Road Reconstruction Projects

Communication (June 2, 2004) from the City Clerk, advising that the Works Committee, at its meeting held on June 2, 2004 referred the communication from the Toronto Cycling Committee to the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services for a report to the Works Committee; and

(b) Safety Measures Arising out of the Death of a Cyclist

Communication (June 2, 2004) from the City Clerk, advising that the Works Committee, at its meeting held on June 2, 2004, requested that the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services report to the Works Committee in the fall 2004 as requested by the Toronto Cycling Committee in Recommendation No. (1) in the communication (May 19, 2004) from the City Clerk, subject to amending Recommendation No. (1)(b) by adding the words "as a pilot project" after the word "locations".

On Motion by Mr. Lafontaine, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the two communications (June 2, 2004) from the City Clerk, be received.

6.5 Road and Trail Subcommittee

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the Road and Trail Subcommittee minutes dated June 2, 2004.

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On Motion by Mr. McFayden, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the Road and Trail minutes dated June 2, 2004, be received.

6.6 Update – Court Ruling – Queen Street West

Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure provided a verbal update on the recent court ruling regarding Queen Street West.

Mr. Egan also advised that he would provide further information when available.

6.7 Priorities and Directions for the Toronto Cycling Committee

The Toronto Cycling Committee held a discussion regarding the establishment of priorities and direction for the Toronto Cycling Committee.

Members were requested to prepare a list of items/issues that they were interested in. Upon completion of the lists, the lists were organized into issue specific groupings. From the general discussion that was held, it was agreed to by TCC members that the following 3 subcommittees and 3 workgroups be established:

Subcommittees

- (1) Bikeway Network Subcommittee;
- (2) Cycling Promotions Subcommittee; and
- (3) Bicycle Safety Subcommittee.

Workgroups

- (1) Budget Workgroup;
- (2) Transit Workgroup; and
- (3) Car Free Days Workgroup.

The Toronto Cycling Committee requested Councillor Giambrone and TCC support staff to review the lists of items/issues that have been prepared and present a report to the next meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee scheduled for September 20, 2004.

The Toronto Cycling Committee also requested the Committee Secretary to schedule meetings of the 3 subcommittees for the remainder of 2004 (commencing with the first

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meeting in August 2004) and schedule a meeting of the Budget Workgroup and the Transit Workgroup sometime in August 2004.

The next meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee has been scheduled for:

Monday, September 20, 2004, 7:00 p.m., Committee Room No. 1, Toronto City Hall,
100 Queen Street West

The Toronto Cycling Committee adjourned its meeting at 10:25 p.m.

Chair