

# THE CITY OF TORONTO

## City Clerk's Office

### Minutes of the Toronto Cycling Committee (TCC)

#### Meeting No. 7

Monday, September 20, 2004

The Toronto Cycling Committee (TCC) met on Monday, September 20, 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
Ian Thomson, Co-Chair	Citizen Member
Dr. Judy Adler	Citizen Member
Craig Barnes	Citizen Member
Steve Crossman	Citizen Member
Nancy Grieveson	Citizen Member
Martin Koob	Toronto Bicycling Network
Justin Lafontaine	Citizen Member
Brent Marshall	Community Bicycle Network
Clay McFayden	Citizen Member
Crawford Murphy	Toronto Catholic District School Board
J. Richard Nelson	Toronto Pedestrian Committee
Brigitte Nowak	Citizen Member
Michael Paulin	Citizen Member
Rob Rogers	Citizen Member
John A. Sherk	Toronto District School Board

#### Regrets:

Pino Di Mascio	Citizen Member
Daya Lye, Co-Chair	Citizen Member
Jennifer McMartin	Citizen Member
Nikki Rendle	Citizen Member
Levi Waldron	Advocacy for Respect for Cyclists (ARC)

#### Others Present:

Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit  
Alex Shevchuk, Planner, Parks Planning  
Barb Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning  
Sean Wheldrake, Bicycle Promotions Co-ordinator, Transportation Planning

Councillor Adam Giambrone in the Chair.

### **Confirmation of Minutes**

On Motion by Dr. Adler, the Minutes of the meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee, held on July 12, 2004, were confirmed.

### **Business Arising Out of Minutes**

#### 6.2 Cycle Right Campaign

As a follow-up to the discussion of the Cycle Right Campaign, the Toronto Cycling Committee requests the Bicycle Safety Subcommittee to contact Toronto Police Service, Traffic Services, and report back to the next meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee on October 18, 2004, regarding:

- (1) the amount of funds collected through the issuance of traffic tickets;  
and
- (2) the feasibility of using the collected funds to support various cycling initiatives and education programs.

(Sent To: TCC Bicycle Safety Subcommittee c:  
Manager, Pedestrian & Cycling Infrastructure,  
Transportation Services, WES and Bicycle Safety  
Planner, Transportation Planning, UDS, September  
23, 2004)

#### **7.1 Priorities and Directions for the Toronto Cycling Committee**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a report (September 17, 2004) from Councillor Giambrone and TCC Support staff, advising that Toronto Cycling Committee members identified the issues they personally wanted to work on during their term on the Committee; that the purpose of this session was to identify where new Committee members wanted to direct their energy and to assist with determining how

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best to structure the Committee and Subcommittees to reflect the Committee members' priorities; and that this draft report be referred to the Subcommittees for further discussion on the goals and priorities of each subcommittee, in consultation with staff, and for report back to the meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee on October 18, 2004.

On motion by Mr. McFayden, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that:

- (1) the report (September 17, 2004) from Councillor Giambrone and TCC Support staff be received and referred to TCC members for their review and comment(s) to the Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure; and
- (2) Councillor Giambrone and TCC Support staff forward a report to the next meeting of the TCC on October 18, 2004.

(Sent To: Toronto Cycling Committee Members c:  
Councillor Adam Giambrone, Manager, Pedestrian  
and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services,  
Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning,  
Bicycle Promotions Co-ordinator, Transportation  
Planning and Parks and Recreation Planner, Parks  
and Recreation Planning, Policy and Development,  
September 23, 2004)

## **7.2 Air Pollution Burden of Illness in Toronto: 2004 Summary Agenda for Action on Air and Health**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the following documents:

- (a) Communication (August 4, 2004) from the City Clerk forwarding a copy of Clause 1, Board of Health Report 5 headed "Air Pollution Burden of Illness in Toronto: 2004 Summary Agenda for Action on Air and Health", which as adopted, with amendments, by City Council on July 20, 21 and 22, 2004, and containing the following recommendation:

"(b) Toronto Public Health, as lead, working with the City's Works and

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Emergency Services Department, Toronto Public Health, the TTC, the Toronto Cycling Committee, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee, Special Events and the Roundtable on the Environment, in concert with relevant stakeholders, such as the Sierra Club of Canada, establish a Working Group and take ownership of the event and build the event into each applicable department's annual work plan;

- (c) the Working Group report to Council, in November 2004, through the Policy and Finance Committee, on the potential impacts of Car Free Day 2005 on air pollution, TTC ridership and public awareness of sustainable transportation;”
- (b) Communication (August 9, 2004) from the Sierra Club of Canada, advising that the Sierra Club of Canada is organizing a New Mobility Summit this month to begin the discussions about Car Free Day 2005.

On motion by Mr. Nelson, the Toronto Cycling Committee appointed Dr. Judy Adler as its representative on the Working Group.

Ms. Nancy Grieveson advised the TCC that she will be attending the Sierra Club of Canada meeting on Wednesday, September 22, 2005 Re: International Car Free Day.

(Sent To: Monica Campbell, Manager, Planning and Policy (HP and EPO), Toronto Public Health c: Dr. Judy Adler, Citizen Member, Toronto Cycling Committee, Medical Officer of Health and Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, September 23, 2004)

### **7.3 Cycling Ambassador 2004 Program Summary**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a report (September 3, 2004) from the Director, Transportation Planning, City Planning, Urban Development Services, presenting the Cycling Ambassador program activities from May to August 2004, and recommending that the report be received and forwarded to the Planning and Transportation Committee for information.

On Motion by Mr. Lafontaine, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the report (September 3, 2004) from the

Director, Transportation Planning, City Planning, Urban Development Services, be received and forwarded to the Planning and Transportation Committee for information.

(Sent To: Planning and Transportation Committee c:  
Councillor Adam Giambrone, Commissioner of  
Urban Development Services, Director,  
Transportation Planning, City Planning, Manager,  
Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure,  
Transportation Services and Bicycle Promotions  
Co-ordinator, Transportation, September 23, 2004)

#### **7.4 2005 Budget Process**

The Toronto Cycling Committee heard a verbal presentation regarding the 2005 Budget Process from Councillor Giambrone and TCC Support staff.

The Toronto Cycling Committee also had before it the TCC Budget Working Group minutes from the meeting held on September 13, 2004.

On Motion by Mr. Koob, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that:

- (1) the minutes from the TCC Budget Working Group dated September 13, 2004 be received and the 'ACTION' points contained in the noted minutes be endorsed;
- (2) the next meeting of the TCC Budget Working Group be held on Monday, October 4, 2004, 6:00 p.m., Meeting Room "C", 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West;
- (3) the September 13, 2004 minutes of the TCC Budget Working Group be sent to the three TCC Subcommittees with a request that, at their respective September meeting, the subcommittees develop their budget proposals and

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forward the same to the October 4, 2004 TCC Budget Working Group meeting;

- (4) the Bikeway Network Subcommittee consider adding the necessary funding request to implement the Geo-Location Safety Post System;
  
- (5) the TCC Budget Working Group review the proposals received from the three TCC Subcommittees, as well as any other relevant information, and report to the next TCC meeting on October 18, 2004; and
  
- (6) notice of the October 4, 2004 TCC Budget Working Group meeting be sent to TCC members and that TCC members RSVP to the Committee Secretary.

(Sent To: TCC Bikeway Network Subcommittee, TCC Bicycle Promotions Subcommittee and TCC Bicycle Safety Subcommittee c: Councillor Adam Giambrone, Martin Koob, Co-Chair, TCC Budget Working Group, Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning, Bicycle Promotions Co-ordinator, Transportation Planning and Parks and Recreation Planner, Parks and Recreation Planning, Policy and Development, September 23, 2004)

## **7.5 Recycling/Litter Bins Program – Options for Acquiring 1,000 Additional Bins**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (July 12, 2004) from Mr. Rolando Garcia, Chief Executive Officer, Eucan – Urban Equipment of Canada Inc., advising of the extension of the contract with Urban Equipment of Canada Inc. to amend and extend the existing agreements regarding the placement of Recycling/Litter Bins.

The Toronto Cycling Committee also had before it a copy of Clause 2, Works

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Committee Report 7, which was received for information, by City Council on July 20, 21 and 22, 2004.

On Motion by Mr. Marshall, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the communication (July 12, 2004) from Mr. Rolando Garcia, Chief Executive Officer, Eucan – Urban Equipment of Canada Inc. and Clause 2, Works Committee Report 7, be referred to Councillor Giambrone and the TCC Bicycle Safety Subcommittee, with a request that they review the issue of ‘Street Furniture’ (Eucan bins, newspaper boxes, etc.) and cycling safety and report to the next meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee on October 18, 2004.

(Sent To: Councillor Adam Giambrone and TCC Bicycle Safety Subcommittee c: Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services and Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning, September 23, 2004)

## **7.6 Everyday Access to Safer Travel (EAST) Cycling Advisory Group**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (July 12, 2004) from Mr. Jacob Allderdice, EAST Cycling Advisory Group, requesting that EAST Cycling Advisory Group be formally recognized as a Community Cycling Advisory Group under the Terms of Reference of the Toronto Cycling Committee.

On Motion by Mr. Barnes, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that:

- (1) Everyday Access to Safer Travel (EAST) Cycling Advisory Group be formally recognized as a Community Cycling

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Advisory Group under the Terms of Reference of the Toronto Cycling Committee;

- (2) TCC Support staff provide assistance to EAST Cycling Advisory Group; and
- (3) a representative from EAST Cycling Advisory Group be invited to attend a future TCC meeting.

(Sent To: Mr. John Allderdice, EAST Cycling Advisory Group c: Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning, Bicycle Promotions Co-ordinator, Transportation Planning and Parks and Recreation Planner, Parks and Recreation Planning, Policy and Development, September 23, 2004)

## **7.7 Improving Bicycle Riding in the City of Toronto**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (August 10, 2004) from Ms. Esther Collier, requesting the City of Toronto to consider amending its by-laws to allow cyclists to use the sidewalks on major through-fares, southbound in the morning, and northbound in the evenings.

On Motion by Mr. Barnes, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the communication (August 10, 2004) from Ms. Esther Collier, be received with thanks.

(Sent To: Ms. Esther Collier c: Carmen Smith, Special Assistant, Office of the Mayor and Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, September 23, 2004)

## **7.8 Communications from Ms. Helen Hansen**



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The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the following communications from Ms. Helen Hansen:

- (a) Communication (August 31, 2004) from Ms. Helen Hansen, requesting information, which requires that safe passage be provided to pedestrians during re-construction work on sidewalks; and
- (b) Communication (August 31, 2004) from Ms. Helen Hansen, advising that it is difficult and risky to walk on Yonge Street at Highway No. 401, on the west side, since the sidewalk is not continuous in the south-west quadrant of the interchange.

On Motion by Mr. Nelson, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the two communications (August 31, 2004) from Ms. Helen Hansen, be received with thanks, and forwarded to the Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, for a direct response to Ms. Helen Hansen.

(Sent To: Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling  
Infrastructure, Transportation Services, September  
23, 2004)

## **7.9 TCC Subcommittee Minutes**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the following minutes from the TCC Subcommittees:

- (a) Cycling Promotions Subcommittee Minutes dated August 19, 2004

Justin Lafontaine and Craig Barnes have been appointed the Co-Chairs of the Cycling Promotions Subcommittee.

The members of the subcommittee are in agreement with the current name given, that being, TCC Cycling Promotions Subcommittee, and the Toronto Cycling Committee requested the Committee Secretary to amend the Terms of Reference to reflect the name change.

The Cycling Promotions Subcommittee, at its meeting on Thursday,

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September 23, 2004, will holding a bike tour for Eric Britton (the man who originally created the idea of the Car Free Day, and who is visiting from Paris). The tour will begin at City Hall (in front of the main entrance) at 6pm and follow a route east to the Beaches and back highlighting the new cycling infrastructure in the area.

On Motion by Mr. Lafontaine, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the minutes from the TCC Cycling Promotions Subcommittee dated August 19, 2004 be received.

(b) Bikeway Network Subcommittee Minutes dated August 23, 2004

Steve Crossman has been the Co-Chair in the interim, and that the Co-Chairs will be appointed at the September subcommittee meeting.

The Toronto Cycling Committee requested the Bikeway Network Subcommittee to advise if they wish to change the name of the subcommittee, and to advise the Committee Secretary, in order that the Terms of Reference may be amended accordingly.

On Motion by Mr. Crossman, the Toronto Cycling Committee requested the TCC Bikeway Network Subcommittee to review the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvements Class Environmental Assessment project and report (accompanied with detailed designs of the project) to the next Toronto Cycling Committee meeting on October 18, 2004, on:

- (a) how concerns of cyclists are being addressed as part of the project; and
- (b) the feasibility of having parallel bike routes, both north and south of St. Clair Avenue West, and the possible location of the said bike routes.

(Sent To: TCC Bikeway Network Subcommittee c:  
Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure,  
Transportation Services, September 23, 2004)

(c) TCC Cycling and Transit Working Group Minutes dated August 11, 2004 and September 13, 2004

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Ian Thomson presented the August 11, 2004 and September 13, 2004 minutes from the TCC Cycling and Transit Working Group, and advised that the Co-Chairs will be selected at the September 2004 meeting.

On Motion by Mr. Koob, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that:

- (1) The Toronto Cycling Committee re-affirm its support for enhanced bicycle infrastructure in the Union Station Revitalization Initiative;
- (2) Union Pearson Group and City staff be requested to attend a future meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee and provide a presentation on the proposed Union Station Revitalization Initiative, and provide details with regard to the bicycle infrastructure component; and
- (3) Mr. Clay McFayden be appointed the Toronto Cycling Committee representative to the Union Station Revitalization Public Advisory Group.

(Sent To: Program Manager, Transportation Planning, South District, City Planning c: Mr. Clay McFayden, Citizen Member, Toronto Cycling Committee, Director, Transportation Planning, Urban Development Services and Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, September 23, 2004)

(d) Bicycle Safety Subcommittee

Ms. Barb Wentworth advised that the first meeting of the Bicycle Safety Subcommittee will be held on Monday, September 27, 2004 and encouraged TCC members to attend.

The Toronto Cycling Committee requested the Bikeway Network Subcommittee to advise if they wish to change the name of the subcommittee, and to advise the Committee Secretary, in order that the Terms of Reference may be amended accordingly.

The Toronto Cycling Committee also requested that the Cyclometer Working Group continue as a subcommittee of the Bicycle Safety Subcommittee.

(Sent To: TCC Bicycle Safety Subcommittee c:  
Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning and  
Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure,  
Transportation Services, September 23, 2004)

#### **7.10 Resignation of Herschel Fogelman**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (September 14, 2004) from Mr. Herschel Fogelman, tendering his resignation from the Toronto Cycling Committee.

On Motion by Ms. Grieveson, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the resignation from Mr. Herschel Fogelman be received and that Mr. Stephen Ward, as the first alternate, be offered the position of Citizen Member of the Toronto Cycling Committee until November 30, 2006, or until his successor is appointed.

(Sent To: Mr. Herschel Fogelman and Mr. Stephen  
Ward c: Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling  
Infrastructure, Transportation Services, September  
23, 2004)

#### **7.11 GO Transit – West Toronto Diamond Rail-to-Rail Grade Separation**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (September 8, 2004) from Mr. J. Greg Ashbee, Senior Project Engineer, GO Transit advising that GO Transit is in the initial stages of undertaking the preliminary design and environmental assessment for a grade separation project at the West Toronto Diamond that will allow increased GO train service between Georgetown, Brampton, Bramalea and Toronto.

On Motion by Mr. Thomson, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that:

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- (1) the communication (September 8, 2004) from Mr. J. Greg Ashbee, Senior Project Engineer, Go Transit, be received;
- (2) TCC Support staff contact GO Transit and inquire, that as part of the project, if consideration could also be given to the feasibility of changing the overpass at Dundas Street West and Dupont Street, in order to make the overpass safer for cyclists and pedestrians, and report back to a future meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee.

(Sent To: Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, September 23, 2004)

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

Monday, October 18, 2004, 7:00 p.m., Committee Room No. 1, Toronto City Hall,  
100 Queen Street West

The Toronto Cycling Committee adjourned its meeting at 9:25 p.m.

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Chair