

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**City Clerk's Division**

**Minutes of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee**

**Meeting No. 1**

**Wednesday, February 25, 2004**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee met on Wednesday, February 25, 2004, in Committee Room No. 4, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 1:30 p.m.

Members present: Ms. Rita Brooks, Co-Chair  
Ms. Elizabeth Walker, Older Womens' Network, Co-Chair  
Mr. Bill Brown, South Riverdale Community Health Centre  
Mr. J. Richard Nelson, EastYork  
Mr. Wayne Scott, Toronto Hoof & Cycle Couriers Coalition  
Mr. Boyd Hipfner, North York, Advocacy Committee CNIB  
Ms. Rhona Swarbrick, Etobicoke  
Ms. Deanne Fisher, Toronto

Also Present: Mr. Ian Wheal, Toronto Field Naturalists  
Ms. Helen Riley, "Feet on the Street"  
Ms. Joan Doiron, "Feet on the Street"  
Ms. Heather Rollo, Ryerson University  
Mr. Kevin Park, Ryerson University  
Mr. Chris Hutton, Ryerson University  
Mr. Ryan Vandenburg, Ryerson University  
Ms. Adrienne Swanson, Ryerson University  
Mr. Kevin Majchrzak, Ryerson University  
Mr. Jamie Chang, Ryerson University  
Ms. Deirdre Kuk, Ryerson University

Staff Present: Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Transportation Services, PCI  
Ms. Lisa Ing, Transportation Coordinator, PCI  
Ms. Gene Corsana, Urban Development Services

**Confirmation of Minutes.**

On motion by Mr. J. Richard Nelson, the Minutes of the meeting of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee held on September 17th, 2003 were confirmed.

## **1.1 Sub-Committees, Advisory Committees, Roundtables and Other Bodies**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it:

- (a) Communication (February 5, 2004) from the City Clerk attaching Clause No. 3 contained in Report No. 1 of the Policy and Finance Committee, headed "Sub-Committees, Advisory Committees, Roundtables, which states amongst other things, that the Toronto Pedestrian Committee has been re-established and will report to the Works Committee.
- (b) Draft Terms of Reference – for discussion.
- (c) Strike a Nominating Sub-Committee – consisting of 3 members and 2 alternates members who will recommend new citizen appointments to the Committee.
  - (a) On motion by Mr. J. Richard Nelson, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee received the aforementioned communication.
  - (b) On motion by Ms. Elizabeth Walker, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee recommended that the Proposed Terms of Reference be forwarded to Works Committee and City Council for approval.
  - (c) On motion by Mr. Bill Brown, the following persons have been appointed to the Nominating Sub-Committee:

three (3) members: Rita Brooks, Deanne Fisher, and  
Elizabeth Walker,

and two (2) alternates: J. Richard Nelson and Wayne Scott.

## **1.2 2004 Schedule of Meetings for the Toronto Pedestrian Committee**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it a communication (February 11, 2004) from the City Clerk, attaching a list of the 2004 Toronto Pedestrian Committee Schedule of Meetings and agenda closings.

On motion by Ms. Rhona Swarbrick, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee received the aforementioned communication.

### **1.3 St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvements – Status - staff update**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it a staff presentation (February 25, 2004) with respect to the status of the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvements.

On motion by Mr. J. Richard Nelson, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee received the aforementioned presentation.

### **1.4 Transportation Services Staff Update.**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it a report (February 11, 2004) from the Manager, Transportation Services, submitting for information, Transportation Services staff update regarding:

- (1) “We’re all pedestrians”; and
- (2) New sidewalk Installations.

On motion by Ms. Rhona Swarbrick, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee received the aforementioned communication.

### **1.5 Toronto Catholic District School Board – Representative appointed for 2004 term.**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it a communication (January 22, 2004) advising that at its Inaugural meeting of December 1, 2003, the Toronto Catholic District School Board appointed Trustee Sal Piccininni to the City of Toronto Pedestrian Committee, for the term commencing December 1, 2003 through November 30, 2006.

On motion by Mr. Crawford Murphy, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee received the aforementioned communication.

### **1.6 Walking Meeting Minutes**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it a communication (November 7, 2003) from Mr. J. Richard Nelson, forwarding copy of Walking Meeting Minutes (October 24, 2003).

On motion by Mr. J. Richard Nelson, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee received the aforementioned communication.

### **1.7 Notice of Study Commencement for Environmental Assessment**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it communications from the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services regarding:

- (a) (November 28, 2003) "Six Points Interchange Reconfiguration"(Dundas /Bloor and Kipling); (Form provided if Committee has any concerns or comments regarding this project).
- (b) (October 16, 2003) Scarlett Road/ CP Galt Subdivision Rail Grade Separation; (Form provided if Committee has any concerns or comments regarding this project).

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it a communication (October 20, 2003) from UMA Engineering Ltd. regarding:

- (c) Queen's Drive Bridge Detail Design and Construction Administration Rehabilitation Project (Black Creek Drive and Queen's Drive) (Form provided if Committee has any concerns or comments regarding this project).

On motion by Mr. J. Richard Nelson the Toronto Pedestrian Committee replied to these matters:

- (a) strongly supports the reconfiguration of the Six Points interchange. The current configuration is hostile to pedestrians and cyclists and the Committee looks forward to a design more appropriate for an urban environment and more supportive of the Pedestrian Charter and Bike Plan;
- (b) supports a review of the Scarlett Road / CP Gait Subdivision Grade Separation and will participate in consultations on problems and solutions of the site.
- (c) thanks UMA Engineering for informing the Committee of the upcoming work on the Queen's Drive Bridge over Black Creek Drive. The Committee particularly commends UMA for their commitment to maintain pedestrian access during the project.

### **1.8 City Budget issues – Proposed reduction of sidewalk snow clearing**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it a communication (February 11, 2004) from Ms. Helen Riley (Feet on the Street) regarding City budget issues – Proposed

reduction of sidewalk snow clearing and sidewalk repairs while continuing with the Front Street Extension (oral report).

On motion by Mr. J. Richard Nelson, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee received the aforementioned communication and requested staff to invite the Director of Transportation Services to attend a future meeting to discuss this matter.

**1.9 2003 and 2004 Toronto Fatal Collision Statistics.**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee had before it reports:

- (a) (December 31, 2003) from Transportation Services, Transportation Systems, Traffic Data Centre & Safety Bureau submitting the 2003 Toronto Fatal Collision Statistics leaflet presenting an analysis of fatal collisions to December 31, 2003, showing relevant facts and trends; and
- (b) (January 31, 2004) from Transportation Services, Transportation Systems, Traffic Data Centre & Safety Bureau submitting the 2004 Toronto Fatal Collision Statistics leaflet presenting an analysis of fatal collisions to January 31, 2004, showing relevant facts and trends.

On motion by Mr. J. Richard Nelson, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee received the aforementioned communication.

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee adjourned its meeting at 4.30 p.m.

Co-Chair.