



**TORONTO PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE
AGENDA
MEETING 7**

Date of Meeting: Thursday, September 22, 2005

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Location: Committee Room 4
2nd Floor, City Hall

Enquiry: Betty Bushe

Committee Secretary

(416) 396-7088

bushe@toronto.ca

Under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee, must adopt a motion to meet In-camera (privately) and the reason must be given.

Declarations of Interest under the *Municipal Conflict Of Interest Act*.

Confirmation of Minutes – July 14, 2005

Speakers/Presentations

3:30 p.m.

Item 1. Yvonne Davies, Administrator, Clerk's Office, City of Toronto
Guidelines for Advisory Committees

4:15 p.m.

Item 2. Roger Brook, Rocketriders
Pedestrians, Transit and Planning

Communications/Reports:

1. Guidelines for Advisory Committees

(Presentation)

(30 Minutes)

Presentation by Yvonne Davies, Administrator, Clerk's Office, City of Toronto on the Guidelines for Advisory Committees.

2. Pedestrians, Transit and Planning

(Presentation)

(40 Minutes)

Presentation by Roger Brook, Rocketriders on Pedestrians, Transit and Planning.

3. Comprehensive Air Quality Strategy

(15 Minutes)

(Deferred from the July 14, 2005 meetings of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee.)

Communication (July 14, 2005) from Joan Doiron, Member, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, entitled, "Pedestrians Affected by Air Quality Downtown", containing the following motion:

"WHEREAS even now, 45 percent of downtown office workers are walking to work and a total of 70 percent are either walking, taking transit or cycling to travel in the downtown; and

WHEREAS the City of Toronto Official Plan calls for a reduction of downtown motor vehicle traffic so that air pollution is reduced;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council set a downtown business example of cleaning the air by eliminating free car parking at Nathan Phillips Square;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT City Council make it a policy to reduce the number of private automobiles that enter the area bounded by Bloor Street, Lake Ontario, Bathurst Street and the Don Valley Parkway by 30 percent by the year 2008;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Medical Officer of Health, in consultation with other City staff, to report within three months on how these goals can be reached by 2008.”

4. Avenue Road and Bloor Street

(5 Minutes)

Communication (September 6, 2005) from J. Richard Nelson, Member, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, requesting the Toronto Pedestrian Committee approve the following motion:

“WHEREAS the northeastern corner of Avenue Road and Bloor Street has been reconfigured to provide pedestrians with a wide and comfortable sidewalk, eliminating an infamous and long-standing 1.2 metre pinch point;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Toronto Pedestrian Committee thank the Transportation Services Division, Toronto City Council and Councillor Kyle Rae, the ABC Residents’ Association, and all others involved in bringing about this significant improvement to the Toronto walking environment.”

5. Staff Updates

(20 Minutes)

- (a) Transportation Services; and
- (b) City Planning:
 - (i) Union Station Precinct Study.

6. Working Groups

(15 Minutes)

- (i) Promoting Walking:
- (ii) Pedestrian Friendly Environments – Urban Design and Streetscaping; and
- (iii) Pedestrian Safety:

7. Updates – Committee Members

(15 Minutes)

8. Committee Member’s Discussion on Priorities

(15 Minutes)

9. Items for Information

- (a) Communication (July 8, 2005) from William Brown, regarding Toronto Public Service works and emergency vehicle;
- (b) June 2005 Fatal Collision Summary, Transportation Services Traffic Management Centre Traffic Data Centre and Safety Bureau;
- (c) Communication (July 24, 2005) from Margaret Noble, regarding cyclists and segways on sidewalks;
- (d) Communication (July 27, 2005) from the City Clerk, advising that City Council, at its meeting on July 19, 20, 21 and 26, 2005, directed that the Toronto Pedestrian Committee be actively involved in the review, critical challenge and advocacy of the ‘pedestrian clearway’ pilot project as it moves through stakeholder presentations, Community Council and City Council; and
- (e) Communication (July 24, 2005) from Joan Doiron, Feet on the Street endorsing the Toronto Pedestrian Committee’s position on the Development Infrastructure Policy and Standards (DIPS) review of local road standards.