

# THE CITY OF TORONTO

## City Clerk's Office

### Minutes of the Toronto Cycling Committee

#### Meeting 3

Monday, March 14, 2005

The Toronto Cycling Committee met on Monday, March 14, 2005, Committee Room No. 1, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, at 7:00 p.m.

#### Attendance:

Members were present for some or all of the time period indicated.

	7:00 p.m. to 9:38 p.m.
Councillor Adam Giambrone, Chair	
Ian Thomson, Co-Chair	x
Dr. Judy Adler	x
Craig Barnes	x
Derek Chadbourne	x
Steve Crossman	x
Adrian Currie	
Peter Michael Dziak	x
Nancy Grievesson	x
Martin Koob	x
Justin Lafontaine	
Clay McFayden	x
Jennifer McMartin	
Crawford Murphy	x
J. Richard Nelson	x
Brigitte Nowak	x
Michael Paulin	x
Nikki Rendle	x
Rob Rogers	
John A. Sherk	x
Andrew Woods	x

#### Others Present:

Constable Stephen Burns, Traffic Services, Toronto Police Service

Daniel Egan, Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services

Alex Shevchuk, Planner, Parks Planning

David Tomlinson, Planning Technician, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure, Transportation Services

Barb Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning

Sean Wheldrake, Bicycle Promotions Co-ordinator, Transportation Planning

Ian Thomson in the Chair.

### **Confirmation of Minutes**

On Motion by Mr. Paulin, the Minutes of the meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee held on February 14, 2005, were confirmed.

### **3.1 Bicycle Motor-Vehicle Collision Study**

David Tomlinson, Planning Technician, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, Works and Emergency Services, made a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Bicycle Motor-Vehicle Collision Study.

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation was distributed to members of the Toronto Cycling Committee.

On Motion by Mr. Nelson, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the PowerPoint presentation from David Tomlinson, Planning Technician, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, regarding the Bicycle Motor-Vehicle Collision Study, be received with thanks.

### **3.2 2005 Cycle Right Campaign**

Constable Steve Burns, Traffic Services, Toronto Police Service, made a presentation regarding the 2005 Cycle Right Campaign.

Constable Steve Burns provided a communication (March 14, 2005) detailing the parking offences tickets that have been issued in 2002, 2003 and 2004, as part of the Cycle Right Campaign. The communication also provided information regarding the number of Bike Rodeos held in 2002, 2003 and 2004 and the number of participants at the Bike Rodeos for each year.

Constable Burns advised that the 2005 Cycle Right Campaign will be held from June 13, 2005 to June 25, 2005.

The Toronto Cycling Committee also had before it a draft communication (February 3, 2005) from

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Ian Thomson, Co-Chair, Toronto Cycling Committee, providing comments and suggestions regarding the 2005 Cycle Right Campaign. Constable Burns advised that Traffic Services had received a copy of the draft communication and will work with the Toronto Cycling Committee regarding the 2005 Cycle Right Campaign.

On motion by Mr. Wood, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the Promotions Subcommittee work with Traffic Services, Toronto Police Service, and prepare a joint media launch for the 2005 Cycle Right Campaign, and report back to a future meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee.

(Sent To: Constable Stephen Burns, Traffic Services, Toronto Police Service and Promotions Subcommittee c: Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services and Bicycle Promotions Coordinator, Transportation Planning, March 15, 2005)

### **3.3 Toronto Cycling Committee – 2005 Budget Update**

The Toronto Cycling Committee heard a verbal update from Martin Koob, Member, Toronto Cycling Committee and Daniel Egan, Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, regarding the 2005 Toronto Cycling Committee Budget.

On Motion by Mr. Koob, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the Works Committee request the Commissioner, Urban Development Services, the Commissioner, Economic Development, Culture & Tourism and the Acting Commissioner, Works & Emergency Services, to prepare a joint report detailing the human resources needed to implement the Toronto Bike Plan, as originally envisioned, through the Operating Budget and report to the Toronto Cycling Committee meeting on June 20, 2005.

(Sent To: Works Committee c: Councillor Adam Giambrone, Chair, Toronto Cycling Committee, Acting Commissioner, Works and Emergency Services, Commissioner, Urban Development Services, Commissioner, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism and Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, March 15, 2005)

### **3.4 Strategic Directions and New Projects**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (February 28, 2005) from Councillor

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Adam Giambrone, Chair, Toronto Cycling Committee, providing a discussion paper on the proposed strategic directions and new projects for the Toronto Cycling Committee.

On Motion by Mr. Barnes, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the communication (February 28, 2005) from Councillor Adam Giambrone, be referred to the Promotions Subcommittee, the Safety Subcommittee and the Bikeway Network Subcommittee, for review and report back to the Toronto Cycling Committee.

(Sent To: Promotions Subcommittee, Safety Subcommittee and the Bikeway Network Subcommittee c: Councillor Adam Giambrone, Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning, Bicycle Promotions Coordinator, Transportation Planning and Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure and Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Planning, March 15, 2005)

### **3.5 Outstanding Items List**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (March 1, 2005) from the City Clerk, providing a listing of the outstanding items presently under consideration by the Toronto Cycling Committee.

On Motion by Mr. Nelson, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the communication (March 1, 2005) from the City Clerk be received.

### **3.6 Subcommittee Minutes**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the following minutes:

- (a) Promotions Subcommittee Minutes dated February 16, 2005;
- (b) Safety Subcommittee Minutes dated February 21, 2005;
- (c) Bikeway Network Subcommittee Minutes dated February 23, 2005;
- (d) Cycling and Transit Working Group Minutes dated March 8, 2005; and
- (e) North York Cycling and Pedestrian Committee Minutes dated January 13, 2005.

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

- (1) the minutes of the Promotions Subcommittee dated February 16, 2005 be received; and
- (2) the following directions be given to Toronto Cycling Committee Support staff regarding the 2005 Bike Week event:
  - (a) update the Bike Show one-pager;
  - (b) circulate the sign-up sheet for Toronto Cycling Committee members attending the Bike Week events;
  - (c) have alternating messages for cycling (Year 1 – Cycling safety, Year 2 – “Get out and ride!”, Year 3 – Cycling safety, etc.); and
  - (d) Toronto Cycling Committee members be requested to invite local Councillors to Bike Week events that they are attending.

On Motion by Ms. Nowak, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that:

- (1) the minutes of the Safety Subcommittee dated February 21, 2005 be received; and
- (2) the Works Committee request the Acting Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services to formulate a comprehensive policy on addressing cycling issues when road/bridge reconstruction is undertaken to ensure that there is appropriate accommodation for cyclists and pedestrians in construction zones, including speed reductions, signage and maintenance of cycling routes wherever possible during construction.

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

- (1) the minutes of the Bikeway Network Subcommittee dated February 23, 2005 be received;
- (2) the Board of Health provide the Toronto Cycling Committee an opportunity to present the Toronto Bike Plan within the context of the City of Toronto Smog Plan; and

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- (3) the Roundtable on the Environment provide the Toronto Cycling Committee an opportunity to present the Toronto Bike Plan.

On Motion by Ms. Rendle, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that:

- (1) the minutes of the Cycling and Transit Working Group dated March 8, 2005 be received; and
- (2) the Works Committee be requested to consider and endorse the following four suggestions from the Toronto Cycling Committee regarding the GO Transit Georgetown Corridor Rail Expansion Environmental Assessment Study – From Bathurst Street to the Bramalea GO Station (including the Air Rail Link between Union Station and Lester B. Pearson Airport):
- (a) the Toronto Bike Plan be accommodated with access for cyclists at all crossings being maintained;
  - (b) access for cyclists at rail stations (e.g. Union, Dundas, Airport) and new bicycle facilities be provided (bike parking, lockers, racks);
  - (c) the new trains allow for bicycles at all times of the day; and
  - (d) a new bicycle trail be created, which will run parallel to the rail line.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (March 2, 2005) from Stephan A. Mehr, SNC-Lavalin Engineers & Constructors Inc., regarding the GO Transit Georgetown Corridor Rail Expansion Environmental Assessment Study – From Bathurst Street to the Bramalea GO Station (including the Air Rail Link between Union Station and Lester B. Pearson Airport).

On Motion by Mr. McFayden, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the minutes of the North York Cycling & Pedestrian Committee dated January 13, 2005 be received.

(Sent To: Works Committee, Toronto Board of Health and Deputy Mayor Pantalone, Chair, Roundtable on the Environment c: Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, Bicycle Safety Planner, Transportation Services, Bicycle Promotions Coordinator, Transportation Planning, Parks and Recreation Planner, Parks and Recreation, Policy and Development, March 15, 2005)

### **3.7 Reason for Judgement – Hannah Evans and the City of Toronto/Jay Robinson**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before the following:

- (a) communication (March 2, 2005) from the Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, attaching a copy of the “Reasons for Judgement” in the Small Claims Court action between Hannah Evans and the City of Toronto/Jay Robinson;
- (b) press release (March 1, 2005) from the Advocacy for Respect for Cyclists (ARC), regarding the Reason for Judgement – Hannah Evans and the City of Toronto/Jay Robinson; and
- (c) newspaper article (March 4, 2005) by Petti Fong, The Globe and Mail Newspaper headed “Cyclists losing hope for parking ban – Group pushes city for bike-friendly lanes”.

Hannah Evans was also in attendance and assisted the Toronto Cycling Committee in its consideration of this matter.

On Motion by Dr. Alder, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the communication (March 2, 2005) from the Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, the press release (March 1, 2005) from the Advocacy for Respect for Cyclists (ARC), and the newspaper article (March 4, 2005) by Petti Fong, The Globe and Mail Newspaper, be received.

(Sent To: Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure,  
Transportation Services, March 15, 2005)

### **3.8 Cycle Ontario Alliance – Annual General Meeting – February 19, 2005**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (February 2005) from Issie Chackowicz, President, Cycle Ontario Alliance, providing an update with regard to the Cycle Ontario Alliance annual general meeting held on Saturday, February 19, 2005.

On Motion by Mr. Crossman, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the communication (February 2005) from Issie Chackowicz, President, Cycle Ontario Alliance, be received.

### **3.9 Letters of Resignation**

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The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the following:

- (a) communication (February 17, 2005) from Daya Lye, Member, Toronto Cycling Committee, tendering her resignation;
- (b) communication (February 19, 2005) from Stephen Ward, Member, Toronto Cycling Committee, tendering his resignation;
- (c) communication (March 14, 2005) from Pino Di Mascio, Member, Toronto Cycling Committee, tendering his resignation; and
- (d) communication (March 8, 2005) from Dr. Judy Adler, Member, Toronto Cycling Committee, tendering her resignation as the Toronto Cycling Committee's representative on the Car Free Day Working Group.

On Motion by Ms. Grieveson, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that:

- (1) the letters of resignation from Daya Lye, Pino Di Mascio, Stephen Ward and Dr. Judy Alder, be received; and
- (2) Councillor Adam Giambrone be requested to send a letter of thanks to Daya Lye, Pino Di Mascio and Stephen Ward, for their contribution to the Toronto Cycling Committee.

### **3.10 Steeles Avenue East/GO Transit Railway Grade Separation Class Environmental Assessment Study Addendum – Notice of Study Completion**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (February 11, 2005) from Ann Larkin Tsinoglou, Acting Manager, Infrastructure Planning, Transportation Services, Works and Emergency Services, regarding Steeles Avenue East/GO Transit Railway Grade Separation Class Environmental Assessment Study Addendum – Notice of Study Completion.

On Motion by Mr. Sherk, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the communication (February 11, 2005) from Ann Larkin Tsinoglou, Acting Manager, Infrastructure Planning, Transportation Services, Works and Emergency Services be received



### **3.11 Don Valley Corridor Transportation Master Plan**

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (March 1, 2005) from Joanna Musters, Project Manager, Transportation Planning, City Planning Division, Urban Development Services, regarding the Don Valley Corridor Transportation Master Plan.

On Motion by Mr. Dziak, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended that the communication (March 1, 2005) from Joanna Musters, Project Manager, Transportation Planning, City Planning Division, be received.

### **3.8 Next Meeting Dates for the Toronto Cycling Committee, Subcommittees and Working Groups**

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Monday, March 14, 2005  
7:00 p.m.  
Committee Room 1  
Toronto City Hall  
100 Queen Street West

Bikeway Network Subcommittee  
Wednesday, February 23, 2005  
7:00 p.m.  
Committee Room 2  
Toronto City Hall  
100 Queen Street West

Promotion Subcommittee  
Wednesday, February 16, 2005  
7:00 p.m.  
Committee Room 2  
Toronto City Hall  
100 Queen Street West

Safety Subcommittee  
Monday, February 21, 2005  
7:00 p.m.  
Committee Room 3  
Toronto City Hall  
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The Toronto Cycling Committee adjourned its meeting at 9:38 p.m.

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Chair