



THE TORONTO CYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TCAC)

AGENDA

Date of Meeting:	Monday, November 3, 2008	Enquiry: Frank Baldassini
Time:	7:00 p.m.	Committee Secretary
Location:	Committee Room 2	416-395-7352
	2nd Floor, City Hall	fbalda@toronto.ca
	100 Queen Street West	
	Toronto	

Closed meeting requirements: If the Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee (TCAC) wants to meet in closed session (privately), a member of the committee must make a motion to do so and give the reason why the Committee has to meet privately. (*City of Toronto Act, 2006*)

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

Confirmation of Minutes – September 22, 2008

Communications/Reports:

**1. Power-Assisted/Electric Bicycles (E-Bikes)
(Presentation – 7:00 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.)**

Teepu S. Khawja, Team Leader – Special Projects, Road Safety Program Office, Safety Policy and Education Branch, Road User Safety Division, Ministry of Transportation, will make a 5-minutes presentation on the issue of E-Bikes and will provide information regarding:

- a. review of existing legislation;
- b. information on the review process and how the public can take part; and
- c. information on different types of e-bikes.

For additional information from the Ministry of Transportation regarding Power-Assisted/Electric Bicycles, go to:

www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/dandv/vehicle/emerging/

- 1(a).** Communication (October 24, 2008) from Tamara Bernstein expressing her views regarding Power-Assisted/Electric Bicycles.

**2. Toronto Bike Plan Update
(Presentation - 7:20 p.m. to 7:40 p.m.)**

Memorandum from the Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services Division, providing an update on the following Toronto Bike Plan programs:

- a. 2009 Bike Month and Cycling Events;
- b. Expansion of CAN-BIKE Program;
- c. Bikeway Network Update - 2008 projects and 2009 process; and
- d. West-end bikeways - request for proposals.

Christina Bouchard, Cycling Outreach and Events Organizer and Sean Wheldrake, Assistant Planner, Transportation Services Division, will make a 5-minute presentation regarding the 2009 Bike Month and Cycling Events Planning.

(NOTE: A copy of the memorandum was not available at the time of the printing and distribution of the agenda. Once available, the memorandum will be sent to the TCAC members prior to the meeting, will be posted on the City's webpage and a hard copy will be distributed at the commencement of the meeting.)

**3. Toronto Police Service - Donating the Approximately 2,500 Unclaimed Stolen Bicycles and Collection of Bikes at Environmental Days
(7:40 p.m. to 8:10 p.m.)**

The Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee on September 22, 2008 deferred this matter to its next meeting on Monday, November 3, 2008, in order to invite community groups to make a presentation on a proposal on how best to utilize the approximately 2,500 unclaimed bicycles as part of a community-benefit program.

**3(a). Bikechain
(Presentation - 7:40 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.)**

Allyson Amster, Coordinator, Bikechain, will make a 5-minute presentation on their proposal (written copy of the proposal is attached) to partner with the City's Environmental Days to remove bicycles from the waste stream.

**3(b). Bike Pirates
(Presentation - 7:45 p.m. to 7:50 p.m.)**

Brandon Zagorski, Bike Pirates, will make a 5-minute presentation on their proposal (written copy of the proposal is attached) on how the reclaimed bicycles will be used as a teaching tool for bicycle mechanics and how completely working and safety –inspected reclaimed bicycles will be distributed to “at need” communities in Toronto.

**3(c). Community Bicycle Network
(Presentation - 7:50 p.m. to 7:55 p.m.)**

Herb van den Dool, Community Bicycle Network, will make a 5-minute presentation on their proposal (written copy of the proposal is attached) regarding how Community Bicycle Network can work with Councillor Heaps on the Environmental Days bike collections as well as put forward a proposal to the Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee on finding a solution for Bike Reclamation of the 2,500 stolen bicycles.

**4. Update on the Development of the BMX (sports/kids) Parks
(Presentation – 8:10 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.)**

Aaron Hershoff, Member, Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee, together with representatives from the various Off-Road and Cycling Advocacy Groups and Associations, will make a 5-minute presentation on the development of the BMX (sports/kids) Parks.

The Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee on May 12, 2008 requested Aaron Hershoff, Member, Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee, in consultation with representatives from various Off-Road and Cycling Advocacy Groups and Associations, Interested Parties and City Program Staff, to prepare a presentation for the Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee meeting on September 22, 2008, outlining the public interest and recreational value of a BMX facility in the City of Toronto.

The Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee also requested the Community Development and Recreation Committee to request the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, to:

1. initiate an in-house study to develop a strategy and policy for BMX facilities, and such study to also address:
 - a. different types of BMX facilities, from regulation courses to recreational courses;
 - b. possible locations within the City which could accommodate each type of BMX course; and
 - c. the inclusion of the strategy and policy as part of the 2009 programming and budget deliberations; and
2. report to the Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee on September 22, 2008.

4(a). Report (September 24, 2008) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, addressed to the Community Development and Recreation Committee, providing an overview of BMX cycling, information on existing BMX facilities in and around Toronto and potential directions for BMX facilities in Toronto.

4(b). Extract of Community Development and Recreation Committee Item CD19.4, advising that the Community Development and Recreation Committee on October 16, 2008 deferred consideration of the report (September 24, 2008) from the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, until its next meeting to be held on November 14, 2008, for public presentation and debate.

**5. Roncesvalles Avenue Streetscape Report
(Presentation - 8:30 p.m. to 8:40 p.m.)**

Paul Collier will make a 5-minute presentation regarding the Roncesvalles Avenue Streetscape Report.

E-mail communication (September 17, 2008) from Paul Collier.

- 5(a).** Communication (September 18, 2008) from the City Clerk to the General Manager, Transportation Services Division, advising of the following recommendations adopted by the Toronto Pedestrian Committee on September 16, 2008:

“The Toronto Pedestrian Committee:

1. endorsed the principle of the Roncesvalles Avenue Streetscape Improvement to convert traffic lanes into lay-by parking and use that additional space to widen the sidewalk/boulevard, but recommended that a further alternative be studied that would also remove the parking lane entirely on the west side in order to provide bicycle lanes and wider sidewalk/boulevards.
2. submitted the Committee’s recommendations to the General Manager, Transportation Services, to be considered as part of the consultation process on the Roncesvalles Avenue Streetscape Improvements.”

- 5(b).** Communication (June 18, 2008) from John P. Kelly, Manager, Infrastructure Planning, advising that Transportation Services Division of the City of Toronto will be holding a public open house on Wednesday, July 9, 2008 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., together with the display boards from the public open house held on July 9, 2008.
http://www.toronto.ca/involved/projects/roncesvalles_streetscape/index.htm

**6. Correspondence from the Chair
(8:40 p.m. to 8:50 p.m.)**

Copies of the following communications that have been forwarded by the Chair:

- 6(a).** Communication (October 23, 2008) from Councillor A. A. (Adrian) Heaps, Chair, Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee to Sameh Ghally, Program Manager, Transit City, Toronto Transit Commission, forwarding the recommendations from the Cycling and Transit Working Group meeting on August 27, 2008 and considered by the Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee at its meeting on September 22, 2008:
- 6(b).** Communication (October 23, 2008) from Councillor A. A. (Adrian) Heaps, Chair, Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee to Stephanie Rice, Project Manager, Construction Department, Toronto Transit Commission, forwarding the recommendations from Dr. Chris A. Cavacuiti, Member, Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee, regarding the Eglinton LRT project, that were considered by the Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee at its meeting on September 22, 2008.

**7. Proposed Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee 2009 Meeting Schedule
(8:50 p.m. to 8:55 p.m.)**

The City Clerk has submitted a proposed Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee 2009 Meeting Schedule as follows:

- Monday, January 19, 2009, 7:00 p.m., Committee Room 2, Toronto City Hall
- Monday, March 23, 2009, 7:00 p.m., Committee Room 2, Toronto City Hall
- Monday, May 11, 2009, 7:00 p.m., Committee Room 2, Toronto City Hall
- Monday, June 29, 2009, 7:00 p.m., Committee Room 2, Toronto City Hall
- Monday, September 21, 2009, 7:00 p.m., Committee Room 3, Toronto City Hall
- Thursday, October 29, 2009, 7:00 p.m., Committee Room 2, Toronto City Hall

**8. Resignation Letter from Mr. Fred Sztabinski
(8:55 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.)**

Communication (October 21, 2008) from Fred Sztabinski, Member and Co-Chair, Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee and addressed to Councillor Heaps, Chair, Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee, tendering his resignation from the Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee.