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Minutes of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee

Meeting 15

Tuesday, November 25, 2008

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee met on Tuesday, November 25, 2008, in Committee Room No. 2, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 3:00 p.m.

*Members Present:

3:00 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.

Councillor Bill Saundercook, Co-Chair	X
Dylan Reid, Co-Chair	X
Councillor Karen Stintz	X
Matthew Blackett	X
Laurel Fortin	X
Margaret Hastings-James	X
Trustee Catherine LeBlanc-Miller (TCDSB)	X
Sean Marshall	X
Beth Milroy	X
Jennifer Niece	X
Fred Sztabinski	X
Stephanie Tencer	X
Peter Tesar	X
Elizabeth Walker	X

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

Absent:

Roger Brook
Greg Crompton
Trustee John Matlow, Toronto District School Board

Staff Present:

Daniel Egan, Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure,
Transportation Services
Jennifer Hyland, Planner, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure,

Councillor Saundercook assumed the Chair.

Declarations of Interest

None declared.

Confirmation of Minutes – October 21, 2008

On motion by Fred Sztabinski, the minutes of the meeting of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee held on October 21, 2008, were confirmed.

15.1 New TTC Shelters Leaving Inadequate Sidewalk Space

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered a letter (November 11, 2008) from Dylan Reid, Co-Chair, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, regarding sidewalk space required in order to meet full accessibility standards, and the process for selection and placement of new TTC shelters.

On motion by Sean Marshall, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee deferred consideration of this matter until its next meeting on Tuesday, January 20, 2009, and requested the Manager of the Co-ordinated Street Furniture Program to attend the meeting to address this issue.

15.2 Motorized Bicycles on Sidewalks

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered an e-communication (November 7, 2008) from Dylan Reid, Co-Chair, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, regarding the new kinds of “bicycles” being driven on sidewalks which include both pedals and motors, and proposing that the Toronto Pedestrian Committee recommend to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee that the relevant by-law be amended to add that no bicycle that includes a motor of any kind be allowed to travel on a sidewalk.

On motion by Councillor Stintz, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee deferred consideration of this matter until its next meeting on Tuesday, January 20, 2009, and requested Daniel Egan, Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, to consult with the City Solicitor and make a presentation on e-bikes at the next meeting.

15.3 Resignation of Member

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered an e-communication (October 22, 2008) from Fred Sztabinski, Project Co-ordinator, Toronto Coalition for Active Transportation, advising of his resignation from the Toronto Pedestrian Committee.

On motion by Dylan Reid, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee expressed its appreciation to Fred Sztabinski for his contribution to the Toronto Pedestrian Committee, and appointed Ken Brooks to replace him for the balance of the term.

15.4 2009 Proposed Schedule of Meetings

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered the proposed 2009 Schedule of Meetings.

On motion by Beth Milroy, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee approved the proposed 2009 Schedule of Meetings.

15.5 Staff Update – Transportation Services

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered a memorandum (November 10, 2008) from Daniel Egan, Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services, regarding Sidewalk Lay-Bys on Public Roads, and the 2009 New Sidewalk Installation Program.

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee received the memorandum and requested that the forthcoming report from the General Manager of Transportation Services regarding Sidewalk Lay-Bys on Public Roads be forwarded to the Toronto Pedestrian Committee for consideration prior to its consideration by the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee.

15.6 Updates from Committee Members

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee received updates on the following:

- Dylan Reid – Metrolinx
- Stephanie Tencer – Queens Quay Environmental Assessment - Design Phase
- Mathew Blackett – Boulevard Improvement and Removal of Redundant Street Poles
- Councillor Saundercook – Barcelona Slide Show

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The Toronto Pedestrian Committee adjourned its meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Chair