

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Toronto Cycling Committee

Meeting No. 2

Monday, February 18, 2002.

The Toronto Cycling Committee met on Monday, February 18, 2002, in Committee Room No. 1, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, Toronto, commencing at 7:05 p.m.

Members Present:

Councillor Olivia Chow, Co-Chair
Mr. Stephen Fisher, Co-Chair
Ms. Nina Koskenoja, Co-Chair
Mr. Ole Calderone
Mr. Steve Crossman
Mr. Ron Hart
Mr. Martin Koob
Mr. David Meslin
Mr. Crawford Murphy
Mr. Peter Duckworth-Pilkington
Mr. Allan Stokell
Mr. John Sherk
Ms. Jessica Tivy

Staff Present:

Mr. Brad Bartlett, Committee Secretary
Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian
Infrastructure Unit
Mr. Sean Wheldrake, Bicycle Promotions Coordinator

Ms. Nina Koskenoja in the Chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.

On Motion by Mr. Hart, the Minutes of the meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee held on January 21, 2002, were confirmed.

2.1 2002 Budget Update.

Councillor Olivia Chow distributed the 2002 Budget Highlights, as of February 13, 2002, to the Toronto Cycling Committee, for information.

2.2 Toronto Waterfront Plan.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication addressed to Mr. Nigel Tahair, Senior Transportation Planner from Mr. Steve Crossman, Co-Chair, Road and Trail Sub-Committee (February 1, 2002) responding directly, as directed by the Toronto Cycling Committee, to Mr. Nigel Tahair, Senior Transportation Planner, on the comments made by the Road and Trail Sub-Committee, at their meeting held on January 30, 2002, regarding the Toronto Waterfront Plan.

On Motion by Mr. Calderone, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Communication.

2.3 Cyclist Subscriber List.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (February 2, 2002) from Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, providing information on the new Cyclist Subscriber List, launching on March 1, 2002, at the Toronto International Bicycle Show.

On Motion by Mr. Calderone, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Communication.

2.4 Cycling Website/Database Designer And Administrator.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (February 2, 2002) from Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, advising that Mr. Jeristus Duston has accepted the position of Cycling Website/Database Designer and Administrator, for a 6 month period, beginning February 4, 2002.

On Motion by Mr. Calderone, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Communication.

2.5 Donations For The Toronto Bike Plan At the Toronto International Bike Show.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (February 2, 2002) from Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, advising that donations received at the Toronto International Bike Show, in support of the Toronto Bike Plan, will be used to offset the cost of 2002 cycling priorities.

On Motion by Mr. Koob, the Toronto Cycling Committee:

- (1) approved the fundraising of money at the Toronto International Bike Show to offset the cost of 2002 cycling priorities; and
- (2) requested the Communications and Promotions Sub-Committee, determine the specific 2002 cycling priority that will be highlighted at the Toronto International Bike Show for the aforementioned money.

(Sent To: Communications and Promotions Sub-Committee;
c: Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner;
Mr. Sean Wheldrake, Bicycle Promotions Coordinator
- February 19, 2002)

2.6 Midterm Replacement of Members To The Toronto Cycling Committee.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (January 30, 2002) from Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, advising the Toronto Cycling Committee on the issues and the impacts to the work program if the Toronto Cycling Committee were to direct the midterm replacement of resigned members to the Toronto Cycling Committee; and recommending that new members not be appointed to the Toronto Cycling Committee, at this time.

On Motion by Mr. Meslin, the Toronto Cycling Committee:

- (1) recommended approval of the following to the Planning and Transportation Committee:
 - (a) that a nominations process be instituted now to replace four midterm vacancies on the Toronto Cycling Committee, using the following advertising means, deemed fair and equitable, by the Committee:
 - (i) electronic mail system;
 - (ii) advertisements in bike papers;
 - (ii) flyers at the Toronto International Bike Show, and other cycling events;
 - (iv) subscriber list;
 - (iv) posters; and
 - (v) community television;
 - (b) that staff of the Transportation Planning Section report on a permanent interim nominations process for appointing midterm nominees to the Toronto Cycling Committee;
 - (c) that Ms. Helen Smith, Administrator, Nominating Committee, be invited to meet with the Toronto Cycling Committee to discuss the fair and equitable means of appointing persons to the Toronto Cycling Committee; and

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- (d) that a Nominations Working Group of the Toronto Cycling Committee be formed, consisting of the following persons:
 - (i) Mr. Stephen Fisher;
 - (ii) Mr. Clay McFayden; and
 - (iii) Mr. Dave Meslin.

(Sent To: Planning and Transportation Committee; c: Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner; Ms. Helen Smith, Administrator, Nominating Committee - February 20, 2002)

2.7 Resignation – Mr. Robert Gordon.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the a communications (January 29, 2002) from Mr. Robert Gordon, Member, Toronto Cycling Committee, tendering his resignation, with regret, to the Toronto Cycling Committee due to unforeseen family and work commitments.

On Motion by Mr. Fisher, the Toronto Cycling Committee accepted the resignation from Mr. Robert Gordon, Member, Toronto Cycling Committee, with regret, and offered appreciation and thanks to him for his volunteer effort to the Committee.

(Sent To: Mr. Robert Gordon – February 19, 2002)

2.8 Drive-Through Facilities.

The Toronto Cycling Committee at its meeting held on February 18, 2002, had before it the following communications:

- (1) (January 28, 2002) from Mr. Dave Meslin, Member, Toronto Cycling Committee, recommending that the Toronto Cycling Committee approve the following Motion of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee, approved at their meeting held on October 31, 2001:

“Whereas Corporations, such as McDonalds, are increasingly introducing drive-through facilities on their properties, both those that

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are new and those being refurbished;

And Whereas this type of service encourages car usage while discouraging walking;

And Whereas emissions from idling vehicles waiting for service at drive-through facilities contribute to the degradation of the quality of air in the City;

And Whereas planning policies of the former jurisdictions and the emerging planning policy for the City of Toronto encourage the reduction of car use dependency while promoting alternative means of sustainable transportation, such as: walking, cycling, and transit use;

The Toronto Cycling Committee recommends that the Planning and Transportation Committee direct staff to investigate the need for a specific By-law that addresses issues related to drive-through facilities in all parts of the City.”; and

- (2) (February 13, 2002) from Mr. David Loyst, Resident, City of Toronto, requesting that the Motion be amended to include: fast food restaurants, coffee shops, banks, dry cleaners and other businesses, using drive-through service areas, rather than a specific type of business.

On Motion by Mr. Meslin, the Toronto Cycling Committee recommended approval of the following Motion to the Planning and Transportation Committee, as approved by the Toronto Pedestrian Committee at their meeting on October 31, 2001:

“Whereas Corporations, and businesses, such as: fast food restaurants, coffee shops and banks, are increasingly introducing drive-through facilities on their properties, both those that are new and those being refurbished;

And Whereas this type of service encourages car usage while discouraging walking;

And Whereas emissions from idling vehicles waiting for service at drive-through facilities contribute to the degradation of the quality of air in the City;

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(Sent To: Planning and Transportation Committee; c: Toronto Pedestrian Committee; Mr. Dave Meslin, Member, Toronto Cycling Committee; Mr. David Loyst, Resident, City of Toronto – February 20, 2002)

2.9 Sub-Committee Minutes.

- (i) Education and Safety Sub-Committee – January 28, 2002; and
- (ii) Education and Safety Sub-Committee – December 12, 2001; and January 30, 2002.
- (iii) Communications and Promotions Sub-Committee – January 24, 2002.

On Motion by Mr. Calderone, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Sub-Committee Minutes.

2.10 SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING DATES.

- (i) Road and Trail Sub-Committee – February 27, 2002;
- (ii) Education and Safety Sub-Committee – February 25, 2002; and
- (iii) Communications and Promotions Sub-Committee - February 21, 2002.

On Motion by Mr. Calderone, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Sub-Committee Meeting Dates.

2.11 WORKING GROUP REPORTS.

- (i) Waterfront Redevelopment Working Group;
 - (ii) Bike Map Working Group;
 - (iii) Mimico Trail Working Group;
 - (iv) Budget Working Group; and
 - (v) Car Free Day Working Group.
- On Motion by Mr. Calderone, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Working Group Reports.

The Toronto Cycling Committee adjourned its meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Co-Chair.