

THE CITY OF TORONTO

City Clerk's Division

Minutes of the Toronto Cycling Committee

Meeting No. 4

Monday, April 22, 2002.

The Toronto Cycling Committee met on Monday, April 22, 2002, in Committee Room No. 1, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, Toronto, commencing at 7:00 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. Donald Jantz
Mr. Martin Koob
Mr. David Meslin
Mr. Crawford Murphy
Mr. Rick Nelson
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
Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner
Mr. Sean Wheldrake, Bicycle Promotions Coordinator

Ms. Nina Koskenoja in the Chair.

Confirmation of Minutes.

On Motion by Mr. Koob, the Minutes of the meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee held on March 25, 2002, were confirmed.

4.1 Enforcement Issues With The Toronto Police Services.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (April 9, 2002) from Mr. Steve Crossman, Co-Chair, Road and Trail Sub-Committee, recommending that the Toronto Cycling Committee request the Toronto Police Services to advise the Committee on any enforcement sweeps that are planned for the year 2002.

P.C. Darin Little, Toronto Police Services, was in attendance, updating the Toronto Cycling Committee on the 2002 Police Cycle Right Campaign, and filed a copy of his presentation materials.

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

4.2 Discussion Paper – Sidewalk Cycling and Safety For Pedestrian and Cyclists.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (April 11, 2002) from Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit, presenting a discussion paper with the goal to focus discussion on the “sidewalk cycling problem” to reach a consensus among the Pedestrian Committee, the Cycling Committees and staff (Transportation Services, City Planning and Toronto Police Service) on a consistent city-wide strategy for reducing conflicts arising from sidewalk cycling; advising that following consultation with all the aforementioned parties, a report will be prepared for consideration by the Works Committee and City Council.

Mr. David Shaffer, Resident, City of Toronto, addressed the Toronto Cycling Committee, stating that riding a bicycle on the sidewalk is extremely dangerous to

pedestrians, and requesting that fines for bicycle riding on the sidewalks, and enforcement, by the Toronto Police Services be increased.

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

4.3 1998 Coroner's Report On Cycling Fatalities.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (April 9, 2002) from Mr. Steve Crossman, Co-Chair, Road and Trail Sub-Committee, recommending that the Toronto Cycling Committee request a review of the 1998 Coroner's Report on Cycling Fatalities.

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

4.4 "Watch For Bikes" Stickers On Taxicabs.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it the following Report and communication:

- (1) Report (March 26, 2002) to the Licensing Sub-Committee, from Commissioner, Urban Development Services, providing, for information, a report to seek an amendment to By-law No. 574-2000, to make it mandatory for all taxicabs, in the City of Toronto, to display, "Watch For Bikes" stickers on taxicabs; and
- (2) City Clerk, Taxicab Advisory Committee (April 16, 2002), advising that at its meeting held on April 15, 2002, the Taxicab Advisory Committee recommended to the Licensing Sub-Committee, the adoption of the report (March 26, 2002) from the Commissioner, Urban Development Services.

Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, introduced Mr. George Radjenovic, Supervisor, Enforcement, Taxi Industry Unit, who explained to the Toronto Cycling Committee the function of the Taxicab Advisory Committee.

On Motion by Mr. Fisher, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Report and Communication.

4.5 Cycling Infrastructure Update.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (April 8, 2002) from Mr. Daniel Egan, Manager, Cycling and Pedestrian Infrastructure Unit, providing for information, to the Toronto Cycling Committee, an update on the 2002 Bicycle Parking Program, Bikeway Network Projects, and Transportation Association of Canada - Bicycle Traffic Signals Study.

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

4.6 Toronto Bike Plan.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (February 18, 2002) addressed to Mayor Mel Lastman from Mr. Weil, President, Toronto Bicycle Network, advising, on behalf of the Toronto Bicycle Network, the support of the Network for the Toronto Bike Plan, as a necessary initiative for the future of cycling in the City of Toronto; and requesting that the Toronto Bike Plan be endorsed through the 2002 budget process.

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

4.7 Bicycle Passes – Toronto Transit Commission.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (March 24, 2002) from Mr. Israel Chackowicz, requesting the Toronto Cycling Committee consider a recommendation that the Toronto Transit Commission allow the Instructors of the Can Bike Courses, of the City of Toronto, the privilege to bring their bicycles on the transit system, during rush hour, using a bicycle metropass, which is like a Toronto Transit Commission metropass for bicycles, that would allow the

Instructor (picture on the metropass) to use the Toronto Transit Commission system, during rush hour, and use the last car of the subway.

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

4.8 E-Mail Subscription Service and Cyclometer.

The Toronto Cycling Committee had before it a communication (April 11, 2002) from Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, advising that the Subscription Service is being tested for the mailer's functionality and will be moved into production by the third week in April; and that subscribers to Cycling News! will receive, any one of or all of, the following: Cyclometer, Toronto Bike Plan updates, City of Toronto Community meetings and events; and further that a template for Cycling News! will be distributed at the April 22, 2002 meeting of the Toronto Cycling Committee outlining the process and purposes related to each of these mailings.

Ms. Barbara Wentworth, Bicycle Safety Planner, distributed copies of the April 17, 2002, and April 18, 2002, minutes of the Subscription Service Work Group.

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

4.9 Sub-Committee Meeting Dates.

- (i) Road and Trail Sub-Committee – May 1, 2002, North York Civic Centre, 7:00 p.m.;
- (ii) Education and Safety Sub-Committee – April 29, 2002, Committee Room No. 3, City Hall, 7:00 p.m.; and
- (iii) Communications and Promotions Sub-Committee – April 25, 2002, Committee Room No. 3, City Hall, 7:00 p.m.

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

4.10 Sub-Committee Minutes.

- (i) Road and Trail Sub-Committee – April 4, 2002;
- (ii) Communications and Promotions Sub-Committee - February 24, 2002 and March 28, 2002; and
- (iii) Education and Safety Sub-Committee – April 2, 2002.

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

4.11 WORKING GROUP REPORTS.

- (i) Waterfront Redevelopment Working Group;
- (ii) Bike Map Working Group;
- (iii) Mimico Trail Working Group;
- (iv) Car Free Day Working Group; and
- (v) Nominations Working Group; and
- (vi) Trailer Park Festival.

On Motion by Mr. Nelson, the Toronto Cycling Committee received the aforementioned Working Group Reports.

The Toronto Cycling Committee adjourned its meeting at 9:35 p.m.

Co-Chair.