

TORONTO STAFF REPORT

October 20, 2005

To: Works Committee

From: Gary Welsh, General Manager, Transportation Services

Subject: 2006 Cycling Infrastructure Funding Options
(All Wards)

Purpose:

To respond to a request from the Works Committee for a report on funding options for cycling infrastructure projects in 2006.

Financial Implications and Impact Statement:

There are no immediate financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this report be forwarded to the Budget Advisory Committee for consideration during the review of the Transportation Services 2006 Capital Budget.

Background:

The Works Committee, at its meeting on September 14, 2005, considered a report by the Deputy City Manager entitled “Toronto Bike Plan – Three-Year Implementation Strategy”, which outlined a strategy for accelerating the Bike Plan, including \$3.0 million for proposed cycling infrastructure projects within the Transportation Services 2006 Capital Budget. The Works Committee requested, among other things, that the General Manager, Transportation Services submit a report to the Works Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee providing options that include a \$4.5 million budget allocation for cycling infrastructure as part of the Transportation Services 2006 budget process.

Comments:

In response to a request by the Works Committee to accelerate implementation of the Bike Plan, the August 25, 2005 report, entitled Toronto Bike Plan – Three-Year Implementation Strategy, presented a list of cycling infrastructure projects totalling \$3.0 million for consideration as part

of the Transportation Services 2006 Capital Budget. Appendix B contains the \$3.0 million cycling infrastructure project list, as amended by the Works Committee at its meeting on September 14, 2005.

In order to comply with the corporate affordability guidelines issued by Finance, the Transportation Services 2006 Capital Budget request for cycling infrastructure is being advanced at the 2005 level, which is \$2.2 million. Appendix A contains the list of proposed 2006 cycling infrastructure projects which can be accommodated within the \$2.2 million budget envelope.

As requested by the Works Committee at its meeting on September 14, 2005, Appendix C contains a list of proposed cycling infrastructure projects which could be accommodated within the \$4.5 million funding option proposed by the Toronto Cycling Committee.

As described in the Bike Plan implementation strategy report, the \$3.0 million proposed project list for 2006 was dependant on a corresponding increase in staff resources to undertake planning, design, public consultation, project management and installation. New staff positions would be funded through the capital budget, with the staffing level dependant on the number of funded bikeway projects. Given that it will take a few months following budget approval to hire and train new staff, the \$3.0 million funding option could be achievable in 2006. However, the delivery of a \$4.5 million program in 2006 would be a challenge.

Conclusions:

The Transportation Services 2006 Capital Budget request for cycling infrastructure is being advanced at the 2005 level (\$2.2 million) to meet the corporate affordability guidelines. This report also presents program options for budget allocations of \$3.0 million and \$4.5 million in 2006 as requested by the Works Committee. Transportation Services remains committed to delivering an accelerated cycling infrastructure program in 2006 if additional funds are approved by City Council.

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List of Attachments:

Appendix A – 2006 Proposed Bikeway Projects - \$2.2 Million Capital Funding
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Appendix C – 2006 Proposed Bikeway Projects - \$4.5 Million Capital Funding

Appendix A

Transportation Services - 2006 Proposed Bikeway Projects - \$2.2 Million Capital Funding				
Bike Lanes				
District	Name	Between	Ward	Km
Toronto & East York	Annette	Dundas to Jane	13, 14	2.5
	Yonge	Queens Quay to Front	28	0.6
	Carlaw	Riverdale to Colgate	30	1.0
	Logan	Gerrard to Dundas	30	0.4
Etobicoke York	Norseman	Royal York to Kipling	5	2.0
	Stephen	The Queensway to Berry	5	0.8
	Rogers	Kane to Oakwood	17	2.3
	Rathburn	East Mall to Renforth	3	1.3
North York	Elmridge - Roselawn	east of Allen to Salinas	15	1.0
Scarborough	Pharmacy	Gatineau Trail to Ellesmere	37	3.4
	Pharmacy	Danforth to Eglinton	35	3.9
	Galloway	Guildwood to Lawrence	43	1.9
Trails				
District	Name	Activity	Ward	Km
North York	Finch HC - Black Creek to East Don	Design	8, 10, 23, 24	12
North York	Finch HC - Keele to Dufferin	Installation	8	2
Scarborough	Kingston Rd. - 401 Ramp to Rouge Park	Installation	44	0.8

Appendix B

Transportation Services - 2006 Proposed Bikeway Projects - \$3.0 Million Capital Funding				
Bike Lanes				
District	Name	Between	Ward	Km
Toronto & East York	Annette	Dundas to Jane	13, 14	2.5
	Yonge	Queens Quay to Front	28	0.6
	Carlaw	Riverdale to Colgate	30	1.0
	Logan	Gerrard to Dundas	30	0.4
	Wellesley	Queens Park to Parliament	27,28	2.0
Etobicoke York	Norseman	Royal York to Kipling	5	2.0
	Stephen	The Queensway to Berry	5	0.8
	Rogers	Kane to Oakwood	17	2.3
	Mill	Rathburn to Bloor	3	2.0
	Rathburn	East Mall to Renforth	3	1.3
	Centennial Park	Eglinton Path to Rathburn	3	1.2
North York	Elmridge - Roselawn	east of Allen to Salinas	15	1.0
Scarborough	Pharmacy	Gatineau Trail to Ellesmere	37	3.4
	Pharmacy	Danforth to Eglinton	35	3.9
	Orton Park	Ellesmere to Lawrence	43	2.1
	Galloway	Guildwood to Lawrence	43	1.9
Trails				
District	Name	Activity	Ward	Km
North York	Finch HC - Black Creek to East Don	Design	8, 10, 23, 24	12
North York	Finch HC - Keele to Dufferin	Installation	8	2
Scarborough	Kingston Rd. - 401 Ramp to Rouge Park	Installation	44	0.8
Toronto & East York	Greenwood Yard Trail Connector	Installation	30	0.4
Scarborough	CP Scarborough Rail Spur	Design	42	3.5
Scarborough	Gatineau HC - upgrade Victoria Park to Kennedy	Design	37	4.2
Crossings				
District	Name	Activity	Ward	
Etobicoke York – North York	Bentworth North Park underpass	Design	12, 15	

Appendix C

Transportation Services - 2006 Proposed Bikeway Projects - \$4.5 Million Capital Funding				
Bike Lanes				
District	Name	Between	Ward	Km
Toronto & East York	Annette	Dundas to Jane	13, 14	2.5
	Yonge	Queens Quay to Front	28	0.6
	Carlaw	Riverdale to Colgate	30	1.0
	Logan	Gerrard to Dundas	30	0.4
	Wellesley	Queens Park to Parliament	27,28	2.0
Etobicoke York	Norseman	Royal York to Kipling	5	2.0
	Stephen	The Queensway to Berry	5	0.8
	Rogers	Kane to Oakwood	17	2.3
	Mill	Rathburn to Bloor	3	2.0
	Rathburn	East Mall to Renforth	3	1.3
	Centennial Park	Eglinton Path to Rathburn	3	1.2
	Renforth	Eglinton to Bloor	3	4.3
North York	Elmridge - Roselawn	east of Allen to Salinas	15	1.0
Scarborough	Pharmacy	Gatineau Trail to Ellesmere	37	3.4
	Pharmacy	Danforth to Eglinton	35	3.9
	Orton Park	Ellesmere to Lawrence	43	2.1
	Galloway	Guildwood to Lawrence	43	1.9
	Conlins	Sheppard to Military Trail	44, 42	2.7
	Nuggett	McCowan to Neilson	41, 42	3.7
Trails				
District	Name	Activity	Ward	Km
North York	Finch HC - Black Creek to East Don	Design	8, 10, 23, 24	12
North York	Finch HC - Keele to Dufferin	Installation	8	2
Scarborough	Kingston Rd. - 401 Ramp to Rouge Park	Installation	44	0.8
Toronto & East York	Greenwood Yard Trail Connector	Installation	30	0.4
Scarborough	CP Scarborough Rail Spur	Design	42	3.5
Scarborough	Gatineau HC - upgrade Victoria Park to Kennedy	Design	37	4.2
Scarborough	Gatineau HC - Kennedy to Ellesmere	Design	37, 38, 43	6.3

North York & Scarborough	Finch HC - East Don to Birchmount	Design	24, 39	5.7
Etobicoke York	Eglinton West Path - Royal York to Scarlett	Installation	4	1.2
Crossings				
District	Name	Activity	Ward	
Etobicoke York – North York	Bentworth North Park underpass	Design	12, 15	