

**PUBLIC MINUTES
STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

**Monday, August 10, 2020, 2:00 p.m.
Via Teleconference Hosted in the Council Chamber, City Hall**

PRESENT: Councillor B. Dubois, Chair
Councillor Z. Jeffries, Vice-Chair
Councillor C. Block
Councillor R. Donauer
Councillor S. Gersher
His Worship Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio)

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager, Transportation & Construction T. Schmidt
Solicitor D. Kowalski
Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant, in attendance in the Council Chamber
Committee Assistant J. Fast

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order on Treaty 6 Territory and the Traditional Homeland of the Métis people, and confirmed roll call of the members in attendance via teleconference.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Block

1. That items with speakers be heard immediately following Unfinished Business; and
2. That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

3.1 Councillor Gersher - Taxi Cost Index Review [File No. CK 307-2]

Councillor Gersher declared a conflict of interest on this matter due to her family being involved in a business that could be seen to be in conflict with the taxi industry.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Gersher

That the minutes of regular meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation held on June 1, 2020 be adopted.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

6.1 Delegated Authority Matters

6.1.1 Louise Jones - Saskatoon Freeway Functional Study - Environment and Heritage Technical Work Group [Files CK 6330-1, x4205-40]

An email from Louise Jones, Northeast Swale Watchers dated July 17, 2020 was provided, along with a response from Deputy Minister Antunes, Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure, dated July 24, 2020.

Engineering Manager, Transportation LeBoutillier responded to questions of the Committee.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the information be received.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Matters Requiring Direction

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

6.3.1 Accessible Transit Services [File No. CK 7305-1]

An email from Heidi Oxman dated June 24, 2020 was provided.

Heidi Oxman was in attendance via teleconference and requested that the Access Transit budget be increased, and when Access Transit is not available, a taxi be sent as a replacement service.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the matter be referred to the Administration for a response to the speaker.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3.2 Sidewalk Maintenance [File No. CK 6220-1]

An email from Heidi Oxman dated June 25, 2020 was provided.

Heidi Oxman was in attendance via teleconference and expressed concern over the maintenance of sidewalks and lack of wheelchair accessible ramps.

Moved By: Councillor Gersher

That the correspondence be referred to the Administration for information.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Information Reports

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the reports contained in Items 7.1.1 and 7.1.2 be received as information.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the reports contained in Items 7.1.3 and 7.1.4 be received as information.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, Councillor Donauer, and Councillor Gersher

Absent (1): Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.1 Transportation 2019 Annual Report [File No. CK 430-37]

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report, and together with Engineering Manager, Transportation LeBoutillier responded to questions of the Committee.

7.1.2 Snow Management Facility User-Pay Model [Files CK 600-29, x1720-1]

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report.

7.1.3 Snow Clearing of Adjoining Cycling Infrastructure and Sidewalks - Downtown Business Improvement District [File No. CK 6290-1]

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report, and together with Director of Roadways, Fleet and Support Saric responded to questions of the Committee.

Mayor Clark excused himself from the teleconference at 2:58 p.m., during discussion of the matter.

7.1.4 2019-2020 Winter Road Maintenance Summary [File No. CK 6290-1]

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report.

7.2 Approval Reports

7.2.1 Bus Rapid Transit Pilot Station Budget Adjustment [Files CK 4110-2, x1702-1]

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council:

1. That Capital Project #2328 - Transit Implementation Plan be increased by \$300,000 in 2020 funded through the Bus Rapid Transit funding plan and decreasing the 2021 capital allocation to this project; and
2. That Capital Project #2328 - Transit Implementation Plan be increased by \$50,000 through a transfer from previously approved funding in Capital Project #2541 - Growth Plan to Half a Million Implementation.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, Councillor Donauer, and Councillor Gersher

Absent (1): Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.2 Proposed Amendments to Bylaw No. 7200, The Traffic Bylaw – Speed Limit Changes

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council:

1. That the speed limits on various roadways throughout the City as set out in the report of the General Manager, Transportation

and Construction Department dated August 10, 2020, be approved; and

2. That the City Solicitor be directed to prepare the necessary bylaw amendments, to be effective November 1, 2020.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, Councillor Donauer, and Councillor Gersher

Absent (1): Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.3 Taxi Cost Index Review [File No. CK 307-2]

Councillor Gersher declared a conflict of interest on this matter due to her family being involved in a business that could be seen to be in conflict with the taxi industry, and left the teleconference at 3:11 p.m.

Licensing and Permitting Manager Wilson provided a PowerPoint and responded to questions of Committee.

Moved By: Councillor Jeffries

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council that the City Solicitor be requested to prepare bylaw amendments, effective October 5, 2020, to:

1. Retain the taxi meter minimum fare of \$3.75, decreasing the distance to the first 125 metres;
2. Increase the distance rate to \$0.27 for each additional 125 metres or portion thereof ; and
3. Retain the hourly fare rate of \$40.00 per hour up to 16 kilometres, and increase the fare to \$2.16 for each additional kilometre in excess of 16.

In Favour: (4): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Block, and Councillor Donauer

Absent (2): Councillor Gersher, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Gersher returned to the meeting via teleconference at 3:17 p.m.

7.3 Decision Reports

8. URGENT BUSINESS

9. MOTIONS (Notice Previously Given)

10. GIVING NOTICE

11. IN CAMERA AGENDA ITEMS

2. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Councillor B. Dubois, Chair

S. Bryant, Deputy City Clerk