

PUBLIC MINUTES

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Monday, May 3, 2021, 2:00 p.m.
Via Teleconference Hosted in the Council Chamber, Saskatoon City Hall

PRESENT: Councillor B. Dubois, Chair

Councillor Z. Jeffries, Vice Chair

Councillor R. Donauer Councillor H. Gough Councillor D. Kirton

His Worship Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor T. Davies

General Manager, Transportation & Construction T. Schmidt

Solicitor D. Kowalski

Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant, in Council Chamber

Committee Assistant P. Walter

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order on Treaty Six Territory and the Traditional Homeland of the Métis people. Roll call was taken.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer,

Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

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That the minutes of the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation meeting held on April 6, 2021 be adopted.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Pedestrian Underpasses – April 2021 Update [File No. CK. 6150-1]

Deputy City Clerk Bryant reported that due to time constraints at the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation meeting held on April 6, 2021, the matter was deferred to the May 3, 2021 meeting.

A report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction was provided.

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report. Director of Transportation Magus responded to questions along with Senior Planner Miller.

Moved By: Mayor Clark

That the Administration provide a follow up report to address specific comprehensive strategies to address specifically the ongoing safety concerns at the Vancouver Avenue and Confederation Mall tunnel and recommend the most effective solutions that combine potential use of lighting, cameras, landscaping or fencing in the adjacent areas. That during the development of these solutions involve appropriate staff from Transportation Department, Planning and Development Department, Saskatoon Police Service and the associated Community Associations.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Davies excused himself from the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

5.2 Walkway Policies and Other Program [File No. CK. 6295-0 x 6295-1]

Deputy City Clerk Bryant reported that due to time constraints at the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation meeting held on April 6, 2021, the matter was deferred to the May 3, 2021 meeting.

A report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction was provided along with the following letters submitting comments:

- Brad Bourhis, Inland Group, dated April 5, 2021;
- Joel Hall, dated April 5, 2021.

Director of Transportation Magus provided a PowerPoint and responded to questions along with General Manager, Community Services Lacroix and Senior Planner Miller.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council that Administration draft a new walkway closure policy that enables closure more easily, based on the experiences of residents.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

Against: (1): Councillor Gough

CARRIED

- 6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)
 - **6.1 Delegated Authority Matters**
 - 6.2 Matters Requiring Direction
 - 6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)
- 7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION
 - 7.1 Information Reports
 - 7.1.1 Findings of Internal Investigation of January 20, 2021
 Canadian Pacific Train Collision with an Access Transit Bus
 [File No. CK. 7305-1 x 6172-1]

A report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction was provided.

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General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report and responded to questions along with Director of Transportation Magus.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

The Standing Policy Committee on Transportation forward the May 3, 2021 report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction to City Council for information.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.2 Rail-Related Transportation Projects – May 2021 Update [File No. CK. 6170-1]

A report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction was provided.

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report and responded to questions along with Director of Transportation Magus.

The meeting recessed at 4:07 p.m. and reconvened at 4:16 p.m. with all members of the Committee in attendance.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That reporting regarding the implementation of the pedestrian and cyclist rail crossing near Assiniboine Drive and Primrose Drive and any lessons learned be included in future Active Transportation Plan reporting.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That Items 7.2.1 and 7.1.6 be heard following Item 7.1.2.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.2.1 was considered next.

7.1.3 Evergreen Neighbourhood Traffic Review [File No. CK. 6320-1 x 4110-41]

A report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction was provided.

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report. Senior Transportation Engineer Baudais responded to questions.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the information be received.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.4 The Willows Neighbourhood Traffic Review [File No. CK. 6320-1]

A report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction was provided.

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation forward the May 3, 2021 report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction to City Council for information.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.5 Saskatoon Transit 2020 Annual Report [File No. CK. 430-17]

A report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction was provided.

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report. Director of Saskatoon Transit McDonald responded to questions.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the information be received.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.6 Development of an Emergency Response Plan for Extreme or Unusual Snow Events [File No. CK. 270-8 x 6290-1]

A report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction was provided.

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report and responded to questions.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation forward the May 3, 2021 report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction to City Council for information.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.1.3 was considered next.

7.2 Approval Reports

7.2.1 Expressway Illumination [File No. CK. 6300-1

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A report of the General Manager, Transportation and Construction was provided.

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report.

Moved By: Mayor Clark

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council that the Highway 16 from Boychuk Drive to Zimmerman Road roadway illumination project be added to the prioritized transportation infrastructure list.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gough, Councillor Kirton, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.1.6 was considered next.

- 7.3 Decision Reports
- 8. URGENT BUSINESS
- 9. MOTIONS (Notice Previously Given)
- 10. GIVING NOTICE
- 11. IN CAMERA AGENDA ITEMS
- 12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Councillor B. Dubois, Chair
S. Bryant, Deputy City Clerk