

#### **PUBLIC MINUTES**

# STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 2:00 p.m. Council Chamber, City Hall

PRESENT: Councillor B. Dubois, Chair

Councillor D. Kirton, Vice Chair

Councillor R. Donauer

Councillor S. Gersher via teleconference at 3:00 p.m.

Councillor D. Hill

His Worship Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor C. Block via teleconference

Councillor H. Gough via teleconference at 3:35 p.m.

Councillor M. Loewen

General Manager, Transportation & Construction T. Schmidt

Deputy City Solicitor D. Kowalski

City Clerk A. Tittemore

Committee Assistant H. Thompson

#### 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.

#### 2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

- 1. That the letter submitting comments from Amanda Spenst, dated May 6, 2024, be added to item 6.1.1;
- 2. That the letter requesting to speak from Tod Fox, dated May 3, 2024, be added to item 6.1.2;
- 3. That the following be added to item 7.1.1:
  - Request to Speak
    - Derek Cameron, dated May 6, 2024;

#### Submitting Comments

- Gordon Holtslander, Saskatoon Cycles, dated May 4, 2024;
- Miles Yohnke, dated May 4, 2024;
- Arika Block, dated May 4, 2024;
- Maureen Junk, dated May 4, 2024;
- Ward Wurtz, dated May 4, 2024;
- Scott Wieting, dated May 4, 2024;
- Melinda Wieting, dated May 4, 2024;
- Ingrid Larson, dated May 5, 2024;
- Stephanie Siemens, dated May 5, 2024;
- Gordon Sarty, dated May 5, 2024;
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- Lucy Stobbe, dated May 6, 2024;
- Paul Buffel, dated May 6, 2024;
- Siobhan Brennan, dated May 6, 2024;
- Bonnie Weisbeck, dated May 6, 2024;
- Royal Burke, dated May 6, 2024;
- Emily Hopkins, dated May 6, 2024;
- Jory Cadman, dated May 6, 2024;
- Merlin Toth, dated May 6, 2024;
- Lynne Meredith, dated May 6, 2024;
- Jahangir Valiani, dated May 6, 2024;

- 4. That the following be added to item 7.1.2:
  - Submitting Comments
    - Eric Lamb, dated May 3, 2024;
    - Gordon Holtslander, Saskatoon Cycles, dated May 4, 2024;
    - Miles Yohnke, dated May 4, 2024;
    - Arika Block, dated May 4, 2024;
    - Maureen Junk, dated May 4, 2024;
    - Ward Wurtz, dated May 4, 2024;
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    - Aaron Genes, dated May 6, 2024;
    - James Cooper, dated May 6, 2024;
    - Amanda Plante, dated May 6, 2024;
    - Lucy Stobbe, dated May 6, 2024;
    - Paul Buffel, dated May 6, 2024;
    - Mike Winter, Walking Saskatoon, dated May 6, 2024;
    - Siobhan Brennan, dated May 6, 2024;
    - Bonnie Weisbeck, dated May 6, 2024;
    - Royal Burke, dated May 6, 2024;
    - Emily Hopkins, dated May 6, 2024;
    - Jory Cadman, dated May 6, 2024;

- Merlin Toth, dated May 6, 2024;
- Lynne Meredith, dated May 6, 2024;
- Jahangir Valiani, dated May 6, 2024;
- 5. That the following be added to item 7.3.1:
  - Request to Speak
    - Cary Tarasoff, dated May 4, 2024;
  - Submitting Comments
    - Joanne Cliff, dated May 3, 2024;
- 6. That the items with a speakers be considered immediately following Unfinished Business:
  - o 6.1.1
    - Maygen Kardash
  - o 6.1.2
    - Kevin Robertson
    - Tod Fox
  - o 6.1.3
    - Jennifer Barrett
  - o 7.1.1
    - Derek Cameron
  - o 7.3.1
    - Cary Tarasoff
- 7. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

#### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Hill

That the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 2, 2024, of the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation, be adopted.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Kirton, Councillor Donauer,

Councillor Hill, and Mayor Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## 6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

# 6.1 Requests to Speak (new matters)

# 6.1.1 Maygen Kardash - Traffic Light at Cornish Road and Preston Avenue [TS2024-0501]

A letter requesting to speak from Maygen Kardash, dated March 28, 2024 was provided along with a letter submitting comments from Amanda Spenst, dated May 6, 2024.

The Committee heard from Maygen Kardash on the matter, who responded to questions of the Committee.

Director of Transportation Magus responded to questions related to the status of the intersection and future traffic study.

Moved By: Councillor Hill

That the correspondence be forwarded to the Transportation Department to report back to Standing Policy Committee on Transportation on the traffic flow at the intersection of Cornish Road, Preston Avenue South, and Hunter Road and any potential improvements.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# 6.1.2 Kevin Robertson - Cycling in Saskatoon [TS2024-0506]

A letter requesting to speak from Kevin Robertson, dated April 22, 2024, was provided.

An additional request to speak was provided from Tod Fox, dated May 3, 2024.

The Committee heard from:

- Kevin Robertson
- Tod Fox

Director of Transportation Magus responded to questions related to the updates to the SGI driver handbook and awareness plan.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the information be received.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Kirton, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Hill, and Mayor Clark

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# 6.1.3 Jennifer Barrett - Safety Hazards at the Bus Stop on Preston Ave Northbound at 108th Street [TS2024-0507]

A letter requesting to speak from Jennifer Barrett, dated April 24, 2024, was provided.

The Committee heard from Jennifer Barrett regarding the matter.

General Manager of Transportation and Construction Schmidt responded to questions of the Committee.

Moved By: Councillor Hill

That the information be received.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Kirton, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Hill, and Mayor Clark

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- **6.2** Delegated Authority Matters
- 6.3 Matters Requiring Direction

#### 7. REPORTS OF THE ADMINSTRATION

#### 7.1 Decision Reports

# 7.1.1 Connecting 2nd Avenue/3rd Avenue: Walking, Cycling, and Driving Improvements [TS2024-0504]

A report of the Transportation and Construction Division was provided.

The following letters were also provided:

# Request to Speak

Derek Cameron, Walking Saskatoon, dated May 6, 2024.

# **Submitting Comments**

- Gordon Holtslander, Saskatoon Cycles, dated May 4, 2024;
- Miles Yohnke, dated May 4, 2024;
- Arika Block, dated May 4, 2024;
- Maureen Junk, dated May 4, 2024;
- Ward Wurtz, dated May 4, 2024;
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- Jory Cadman, dated May 6, 2024;
- Merlin Toth, dated May 6, 2024;
- Lynne Meredith, dated May 6, 2024; and
- Jahangir Valiani, dated May 6, 2024.

Director of Transportation Magus provided a PowerPoint regarding the matter.

The Committee heard from Derek Cameron regarding the matter.

Councillor Gersher entered the meeting at 3:00 p.m. and she declared no conflict of interest.

Director of Transportation Magus responded to questions of the Committee related to the city owned land, and the effected trees.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

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

That Option 2A – Widen to the West – Separated Sidewalk be approved.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Kirton, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Hill, and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.3.1 was considered next.

# 7.1.2 Opportunities for Rapid Deployment of Safety Improvements on Active Transportation Routes – May 2024 Update [CC2023-0602, TS2023-1003, TS2023-1204]

A report of the Transportation and Construction Division was provided.

The following letters were also provided:

## **Submitting Comments**

- Eric Lamb, dated May 3, 2024;
- Gordon Holtslander, Saskatoon Cycles, dated May 4, 2024;
- Miles Yohnke, dated May 4, 2024;
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- Merlin Toth, dated May 6, 2024;
- Lynne Meredith, dated May 6, 2024; and
- Jahangir Valiani, dated May 6, 2024.

Director of Transportation Magus provided a PowerPoint regarding the matter and responded to questions related to connectors and also phase implementation.

Councillor Gough joined the meeting virtually at 3:35 p.m.

General Manager of Transportation and Construction Schmidt responded to questions related to multi-use pathways.

## Moved By: Councillor Kirton

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council Option 2:

- 1. That the Administration implement a neighbourhood bikeway using rapid deployment on Route 6;
- 2. That rapid deployment of Route 6, from College Drive to 14<sup>th</sup> Street, be installed in 2025.
- 3. That rapid deployment of the remainder of Route 6, from 14<sup>th</sup> Street to Clarence Avenue at Circle Drive South, be considered as part of the 2026-2027 Multi-Year Business Plan and Budget process.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Kirton, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Hill, and Mayor Clark

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

# 7.2 Approval Reports

# 7.2.1 2024 Residential Parking Program Expansion and Proposed Bylaw Amendments [TS2024-0503]

A report of the Community Services Division was provided.

Parking Policy & Permitting Manager Nemeth introduced the matter and along with Director of Community Standards Grazier responded to questions related to signage cost and parking technology.

Councillor Loewen left the meeting at 4:14 p.m.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

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

- That the proposed amendments to Bylaw No. 7862, The Residential Parking Program Bylaw, 1999 as outlined in the report of the Community Services Division, dated May 7, 2024, be approved; and
- 2. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the proposed amendments to Bylaw No. 7862, The Residential Parking Program Bylaw, 1999.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Kirton, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Hill, and Mayor Clark

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

# 7.3 Information Reports

# 7.3.1 Montgomery Place Neighbourhood Access Concepts [TS2024-0502]

A report of the Transportation and Construction Division was provided.

The following letters were also provided:

Request to Speak

Cary Tarasoff, dated May 4, 2024; and

# **Submitting Comments**

• Joanne Cliff, dated May 3, 2024.

Director of Transportation Magus introduced the matter.

The Committee heard from Cary Tarasoff regarding the matter.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the information be received.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Kirton, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Hill, and Mayor Clark

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Item 7.1.2 was considered next.

- 8. MOTIONS (Notice Previously Given)
- 9. URGENT BUSINESS
- 10. GIVING NOTICE
- 11. IN CAMERA SESSION (if required)
- 12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Councillor B. Dubois, Chair
City Clerk A. Tittemore