# City of Maple Ridge ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee, held in the Blaney Room, at Maple Ridge City Hall on May 29, 2019 at 7:01 pm.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillor Ahmed Yousef Council Liaison
Vijay Soparkar, Chair Member at Large
Colette Trudeau School Trustee

Gary Hare, Vice Chair Seniors Community Representative
Jennifer Wright Member at Large - Cycling Representative

Kim McLennan Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness

Representative

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Purvez Irani Manager of Transportation / Staff Liaison

Amanda Allen Committee Clerk

**GUESTS** 

Councillor Meadus Council Liaison – alternate Pascale Shaw School Trustee – alternate

<u>ABSENT</u>

Cpl. Steven Martin Ridge Meadows RCMP – Traffic Services

Ineke Boekhorst Downtown Maple Ridge Business Improvement Association

Note: Councillor Yousef chaired the meeting as the presiding member

Note: Jennifer Wright participated via GoToMeeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2019-004

It was moved and seconded

That the agenda for the May 29, 2019 Active Transportation Advisory Committee be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

R/2019-005

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Active Transportation Advisory Committee meeting dated September 26, 2018 and April 24, 2019 be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

- 4. **DELEGATION** Nil
- 5. **QUESTION PERIOD** Nil
- 6. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- 6.1. 2019 Chair and Vice Chair Elections

The staff liaison opened the floor to nominations for a Chair.

R/2019-006

It was moved and seconded

That Vijay Soparkar be elected Chair of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee for 2019.

**CARRIED** 

The staff liaison opened the floor to nominations for a Vice Chair.

R/2019-007

It was moved and seconded

That Gary Hare be elected Vice Chair of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee for 2019.

**CARRIED** 

Note: Vijay Soparkar assumed the Chair.

# 6.2. Seniors Issues Affecting Active Transportation in Maple Ridge

Gary Hare gave a PowerPoint presentation 'Think Senior' highlighting the importance of safety and senior friendly infrastructure that enables seniors to participate in modes of active transportation. There was discussion on the separation of walk and bikeways from traffic, multi-use pathways and the 'complete street' concept. The staff liaison reviewed the phased plan of the TransLink B Line project.

#### 6.3. Topics for future meetings

There was discussion on potential topics and the following items and concepts were identified:

- Active neighbourhoods;
- Walkability of downtown corridor (224 Street from 124 Avenue to 117 Avenue) for all ages and abilities;
- Safe and secure bicycle parking;
- Identify barriers/challenges for children walking/cycling to school;
- Utilize mapping technology to identify and educate active transportation opportunities for families in proximity to local schools;

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- Partnered education campaigns around behaviours in school zones;
- Walk 30 challenge between communities / schools;

There was discussion on programs that teach children road and cycling safety and the staff liaison will look into City of Maple Ridge participation into such programs and report back at a future meeting.

# 7. **CORRESPONDENCE** - Nil

#### 8. **ROUNDTABLE**

Members received verbal reports on relevant activities and active transportation topics.

Kim McLennan will bring information on school planning through best practices learned in other communities to a future meeting.

Jennifer Wright will bring information about the in-school HUB program to a future meeting.

It was also noted that that 3 positions were vacant: 2 Members at Large and 1 Youth Representative.

# 9. **ADJOURNMENT** – 8:23 pm.

<u>"Original signed by Vijay Soparkar"</u> Vijay Soparkar, Chair

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