

City of Maple Ridge Transportation Advisory Committee MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee, held via teleconference on March 25, 2020 at 7:15 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Ahmed Yousef	Council Liaison
Vijay Soparkar, Chair	Member at Large
Gary Hare, Vice-Chair	Member at Large
Pascale Shaw	School District No. 42 Representative
Eric Phillips	Member at Large
Jennifer Wright	Member at Large
Jordan Arsenault	Member at Large
Ineke Boekhorst	Member at Large - Business

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Michael Eng Erin Mark Traffic and Transportation Technologist Committee Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2020-010

It was moved and seconded

That the agenda for the March 25, 2020 Transportation Advisory Committee be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

R/2020-011

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Transportation Advisory Committee meeting dated January 29, 2020 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS – Nil

5. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1. New Staff Liaison and TAC Member Resignation

Interim Staff Liaison Michael Eng introduced himself to the Committee and members provided brief introductions.

The Committee Clerk announced that Zane Rossouw resigned from the Transportation Advisory Committee effective March 2020.

5.2. Active Transportation for Schools Task Force Proposal

Jennifer Wright introduced the amended Active Transportation for Schools Task Force proposal and answered questions from the Committee.

R/2020-012

It was moved and seconded

That the Active Transportation for Schools Task Force proposal be approved and that the Task Force be managed by Jennifer Wright, with support from Pascale Shaw and Jordan Arsenault. CARRIED

5.3. Advisory Committee Draft Minute Circulation

The Committee Clerk shared the Committees of Council administrative policies pertaining to R/2020-007 that was deferred at the January 29, 2020 Transportation Advisory Committee meeting.

R/2020-007

It was moved and seconded

That Committee members receive a copy of the draft Committee meeting minutes 2 weeks after the meeting.

DEFERRED

R/2020-013

It was moved and seconded That resolution R/2020-007 be rescinded.

CARRIED

5.4. Additional Commuter Parking in the Downtown Core

The Committee discussed the increase in demand for commuter parking in the downtown core with the new RapidBus. Councillor Yousef and the Interim Staff Liaison confirmed that staff and Council are aware of the demand due to increased ridership on Transit and are looking at multiple ways to increase parking in the downtown core.

5.5. Commercial Property – Employee Parking Requirements

The Interim Staff Liaison shared how the number of parking stalls required by commercial businesses is determined and clarified that the required parking stalls are not differentiated between employee and customer parking stalls.

R/2020-014

That staff be directed to research information on the number of parking stalls available in the downtown core and that information be presented at a future Transportation Advisory Committee meeting.

CARRIED

5.6. 117 Ave Corridor Improvements

The Interim Staff Liaison shared that the City held a successful open house on the 117 Ave Corridor Improvements and that the project is proceeding. The Committee discussed the need for improvements in the area, the use of multi-use paths, and the funding for the project.

6. LIAISON UPDATES

6.1 Staff Liaison

The Interim Staff Liaison provided an overview of the Traffic Calming Policy that was approved by Council in December 2019 and provided an update on several transportation projects underway in the community.

6.2 Council Liaison

Councillor Yousef shared that there are a number of projects coming forward to Council looking into improving traffic flow and providing a better road network, and that downtown parking is forefront at this time with Council.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE & TASK FORCE UPDATES - Nil

8. ROUNDTABLE

Members shared ideas and project updates on relevant transportation issues.

9. QUESTION PERIOD – NII

10. ADJOURNMENT – 9:03 pm.

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Vijay Soparkar, Chair

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