

Town of Aurora

Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, March 27, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Councillor John Gallo (Chair)

Owen Heritage (Vice Chair)

Steve Fleck

Lil Kim

Gino Martino

Klaus Wehrenberg

Members Absent: Giovanni Turla

Other Attendees: Michael Bat, Traffic and Transportation Analyst

Michael Ha, Traffic and Transportation Analyst Emily Freitas, Council/Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

The Committee acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the

Mississaugas and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Klaus Wehrenberg Seconded by Steve Fleck

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Carried

4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

5. Delegations

5.1 Chris Harris, Resident; Re: Item 7.2 - Request for Traffic Calming Measures and All-way Stop Control on Tamarac Trail

Chris Harris expressed support for traffic calming measures and all-way stop control on Tamarac Trail.

Moved by Owen Heritage Seconded by Lil Kim

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to item 7.2.

Carried

6. Receipt of the Minutes

6.1 Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2024

Moved by Gino Martino Seconded by Owen Heritage 1. That the Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee meeting minutes of January 24, 2024, be received for information.

Carried

7. Matters for Consideration

The Committee consented to begin with item 7.2 followed by item 7.1.

7.1 Memorandum from Traffic and Transportation Analyst; Re: Active Transportation Master Plan Final Report

The Committee provided feedback to Staff and discussed various topics including: focusing on pedestrian traffic and safety measures to implement more walkways including from John West Way to the Aurora GO Station, how the Master Plan highlights accessibility elements for pedestrians and cyclists, and the active transportation survey results.

The Committee further discussed providing a map of the active transportation corridors to families and encouraging students to use alternative transportation methods.

The Committee inquired about the next steps on implementing the Master Plan including which areas are being prioritized, any additional costs, possible funding options from York Region, and how trails, multi-use paths, and pedestrian underpasses will be recognized in the DC Study. Staff reported that they are actively discussing with York Region to apply for funding for sidewalks on Yonge Street from Wellington Street to Bloomington Road and discussed that they were unable to provide every recommendation from the Active Transportation Master Plan to the DC Study.

Moved by Owen Heritage Seconded by Steve Fleck

1. That the memorandum regarding Active Transportation Master Plan Final Report be received; and

2. That the Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee comments regarding Active Transportation Master Plan Final Report be received and referred to staff for consideration and further action as appropriate.

Carried

7.2 Memorandum from Traffic and Transportation Analyst; Re: Request for Traffic Calming Measures and All-way Stop Control on Tamarac Trail

Staff provided an overview of the request for traffic calming measures and all-way stop control on Tamarac Trail that was requested by an area resident. They discussed conducting assessments on the street between McClellan Way and Henderson Drive and implementing traffic calming signages.

The Committee discussed installing a temporary solution and the cost of installing flexible signs. Staff noted that installing flexible signs is feasible. The Committee requested clarification from Staff about how the Committee's comments will be referred to Council. Staff clarified that the Committee's comments are documented in future reports that are presented to Council.

Staff will take the comments from the Committee and include it in the staff report that will be presented to Council. They intend to present the report at the May 7, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Moved by Owen Heritage Seconded by Gino Martino

- 1. That the memorandum regarding Request for Traffic Calming Measures and All-way Stop Control on Tamarac Trail be received; and
- That the Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee comments regarding Request for Traffic Calming Measures and Allway Stop Control on Tamarac Trail be received and referred to staff for consideration and further action as appropriate.

Carried

8. Informational Items

None.

9. New Business

None.

10. Adjournment

Moved by Owen Heritage Seconded by Gino Martino

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Carried