

8TH REPORT OF THE
CYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on July 19, 2017, commencing at 4:05 PM, in Committee Room #4, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: D. Mitchell (Chair), D. Doroshenko, J. Jordan, H. Ketelaars and W. Pol and J. Martin (Secretary).

ABSENT: D. Szoller and M. Zunti.

ALSO PRESENT: J. Bruin, D. MacRae, B. McCall and A. Miller.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

II. SCHEDULED ITEMS

None.

III. CONSENT ITEMS

2. 7th Report of the Cycling Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the 7th Report of the Cycling Advisory Committee, from its meeting held June 21, 2017, was received.

3. STAFF REPORT - 2017 Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling (OMCC) Program

That it BE NOTED that the staff report dated July 17, 2017, from the Managing Director, Environmental and Engineering Services and City Engineer, with respect to 2017 Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling (OMCC) Program, was received; it being noted that the Cycling Advisory Committee was advised that the Civic Administration will continue to include the committee in future opportunities with respect to this matter.

4. Notice of Study Commencement - Clarke Road Widening from VMP Extension to Fanshawe Park Road East, City of London - Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study

That the Civic Administration BE ADVISED that the Cycling Advisory Committee would like to see adequate consideration be given to the recreational cycling traffic that utilizes Clarke Road from the VMP Extension to Fanshawe Park Road and utilizing Thames Valley corridor for the future Thames Valley Parkway extension during the Municipal Class EA being undertaken to identify transportation improvements to the Clarke Road corridor; it being noted that the Cycling Master Plan identifies cycling facility development for this project study area.

IV. SUB-COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

5. Cycling Advisory Sub-Committee

That it BE NOTED that a presentation from H. Ketelaars with respect to the importance of the Cycling Advisory Committee (CAC) and establishment of sub-committees, was received; it being noted that hard copy information was provided to the CAC members, with respect to this matter.

V. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

6. Canada 150 London Bicycle Tour Update - W. Pol

That the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to consider establishing the bicycle tour as an annual event; it being noted that a verbal update from W. Pol, with respect to the Canada 150 Bicycle Tour, was received advising that the event was a success with approximately 120 cyclists participating in the four events.

7. Trans Canada Trail Update - D. Mitchell

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update from D. Mitchell, with respect to the Trans Canada Trail, was received; it being noted that the Cycling Advisory Committee was advised that the Trans Canada Trail is close to completion with no connection to London at this point.

VI. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

8. 2016 Cycling Advisory Committee Work Plan Summary

That it BE NOTED that the Cycling Advisory Committee (CAC) referred the 2016 Cycling Advisory Committee Work Plan Summary to the sub-committee for review and report back at a future meeting of the CAC.

9. (ADDED) Middlesex County Cycling Strategy

That the following actions be taken with respect to the Middlesex County Cycling Strategy:

- a) the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to consider supporting the Middlesex County Cycling Strategy by reviewing the attached comments from the Cycling Advisory Committee; and,
- b) the comments noted in a), above BE CONSIDERED for inclusion in future discussions with the Middlesex County related to transportation infrastructure designs; noting that future initiatives to enhance the infrastructure will support regional tourism and recreational cycling;

it being noted that the Cycling Advisory Committee received a verbal presentation from W. Pol with respect to this matter.

10. (ADDED) Cycling Advisory Committee Resignation

That it BE NOTED that the Cycling Advisory Committee received a verbal resignation from H. Ketelaars.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:32 PM.

NEXT MEETING DATE: September 20, 2017

Middlesex County Cycling Strategy

Comments - Cycling Advisory Committee July 19, 017

Prepared by William Pol

That the following comments from the Cycling Advisory Committee be shared with the County of Middlesex with respect to the County of Middlesex Cycling Strategy:

1. The Committee supports the initiative by the County of Middlesex to create a cycling network with the City of London Cycling Master Plan enhancing CONNECTIVITY, CONTINUITY AND INTEGRATION between the two communities.
2. The Middlesex County Cycling Strategy should encourage SUPPORT from related agencies, cycling clubs and interest groups.
3. The Middlesex County Cycling Strategy should be SUSTAINABLE regarding the environment, financing, and efficient implementation of the identified routes.
4. The quality, enjoyment and safety of cycling routes is based on the volume and speed of traffic and the quality of the road surfaces. We encourage the County to select popular cycling routes for widened paved shoulders where the volume of traffic warrants. Secondly, the improvement of cycling links between busy sections of county roads to lower volume traffic roads should be a priority.
5. Maintenance of paved County roads with the early removal of winter debris and excess gravel, as well as maintenance at a level suitable for cycling traffic is encouraged.
6. Partnership between the City of London and County of Middlesex to offer a Tour de Thames cycling event similar to the London Bikes event held June 24, 2017 in the city of London to promote cycling tourism and culture.