



**ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES
July 18, 2024**

PRESENT: Hugh Millward, Chair
Douglas Wetmore, Vice Chair
Anika Riopel
Elizabeth Pugh
Glenn Babcock
Holly Woodill
Milena Khazanavicius
Myles McCormick
Paul Young
Peter Zimmer

REGRETS: Brittney MacLean

STAFF: David MacIsaac, Manager, Active Transportation
Krista Vining, Team Lead, Legislative Assistants
Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 20, 2024

MOVED by Paul Young, seconded by Milena Khazanavicius

THAT the minutes of June 20, 2024 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions:

- Item 10.1 – Milena Khazanavicius: Almon Street Cycling Infrastructure

Deletions: None

MOVED by Anika Riopel, seconded by Holly Woodill

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence

Correspondence was received and circulated for Item 10.1.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

7.2 Petitions

7.2.1 Municipal Clerk's Office

Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku, Legislative Assistant submitted a petition from Maggie Barnard resident of Coburg Road regarding the Coburg Road narrowing construction project with approximately 43 signatures requesting construction be paused to review the plan with Waegwoltic neighbours, residents, Armbrae Academy, and Synagogue.

7.3 Presentation - None

Hugh Millward resumed the Chair.

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8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Update on Portland Street Functional Planning Project

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff presentation dated July 18, 2024

Siobhan Witherbee, Project Manager, Transportation Planning gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

The Committee provided the following feedback:

- Support for transit priority in service areas and making them attractive;
- Concerned with loss of on-street parking;
- The need for shared bus-bike lanes;
- The need to reduce traffic speed as a solution to narrow the street and drive lanes to create more space for cyclists and pedestrians;
- A need for more public engagement;
- Concerned with roundabouts due to safety;
- Concerned with median transit safety, because kids might be in danger as many of them cross the traffic without looking at traffic signals; and
- The project should consider non-stop bike lanes that are well-protected, passing through streets as possible.

9.1.2 Active Transportation Update

David MacIsaac, Manager, Active Transportation spoke to the ongoing public engagement for the Alderney Drive Transit and Active Transportation planning project.

9.2 COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

9.2.1 Peter Zimmer: Governance Review – Phase 1 and Active Transportation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff presentation dated July 18, 2024

Laura Lewis, Deputy Clerk, Council & Committee Service gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding ways members could engage in reviewing their Terms of Reference.

10. ADDED ITEMS

10.1 Milena Khazanavicius: Almon Street Cycling Infrastructure

The following was before the Committee:

- Correspondence from Milena Khazanavicius, Walk and Roll Halifax

Milena Khazanavicius spoke to the correspondence and noted it would be brought forward to the Transportation Standing Committee's August meeting.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – August 22, 2024

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12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku
Legislative Assistant