

Minutes - Final

Infrastructure, Investment, and Development Services Committee

Tuesday, January 20, 2015

6:30 PM

Council Chamber

For consideration by General Committee on February 9, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Councillor Brassard at 6:33 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

PRESENT:

Councillor J. Brassard, Infrastructure, Investment and Development Services
Committee Chairperson
Mayor J. Lehman, Infrastructure, Investment and Development Services Committee
Member (ex-officio)
Councillor D. Shipley, Infrastructure, Investment and Development Services
Committee Member
Councillor S. Morales, Infrastructure, Investment and Development Services
Committee Member
Councillor A. Khan
Councillor B. Alnsworth
Councillor R. Romita.

STAFF:

City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, D. McAlpine
Committee and Print Services Supervisor, L. Pearson
Director of Corporate Asset Management, B. Parkin
Director of Engineering, J. Weston
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, R. Forward
Manager of Infrastructure Planning, S. Patterson
Manager of Traffic and Parking, S. Rose
Senior Project Engineer, L. Borgdorff
Senior Traffic Technologist, J. Sharp
Supervisor, Traffic and Parking Services, T. Hanrahan
Transit Co-ordinator, J. Zimmerman.

The Development Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

**ALLANDALE WATERFRONT CITY TRANSIT TRANSFERS OPEN
DELEGATION**

Ms. Erin Parker provided an open delegation regarding the start time of Barrie City buses from the Allandale Waterfront station. She commented that she would like the buses to be scheduled to reach the Downtown Terminal for 05:30 a.m. for transfer reasons. Ms. Parker noted that the new transit schedule impacts her ability to arrive to work on time. She discussed that the transit schedule changes on the week-end cause her to use more expensive modes of transportation in order to get to work. She asked if changes could be made to improve the Allandale Waterfront Bus Route. She presented a petition containing 184 signatures to the City Clerk in support of her request.

Members of the Committee and Council Members in attendance asked several questions related to the information provided and received responses from staff and the presenter..

**HIGHLAND AVENUE RODNEY STREET - MOUNBATTEN ROAD -
MOUNTBATTEN CRESCENT PROJECT**

Mr. Peter Koetsier, 51 Highland Avenue provided a presentation regarding the proposed Highland Avenue Rodney Street - Mountbatten Road - Mountbatten Crescent Sidewalk Construction Project. Mr. Koetsier indicated that he understands the City's initiative to encourage Active Transportation within the City. However, he noted concerns with respect to installing a sidewalk on Highland Avenue as he feels that a sidewalk is not required. He observed that there are many streets that are far busier than Highland Avenue that do not have sidewalks. Mr. Koetsier commented that he has a concern with the new proposed Infill Sidewalk Policy as he feels the policy is too broad in that a sidewalk could be installed anywhere, anytime regardless of the need. Mr. Koetsier stated that he believes that based upon the old policy, Highland Avenue Sidewalk does not warrant a sidewalk.

In closing, Mr. Koetsier stated that he feels the new Infill Sidewalk Policy would not provide a good return for the tax dollar investment.

Members of the Committee and City Council members in attendance asked several questions related to the information provided and received responses from staff and the presenter.

Councillor Morales declared a potential pecuniary interest in the foregoing matter as he resides in the area of Mountbatten Crescent. He rolled his chair back from the Council Table and he did not participate in the discussion.

BURBANK PLACE UPDATE

Blaine Parkin, Director of Corporate Asset Management provided an update regarding Burbank Place. Mr. Parkin indicated that a geotechnical investigation was performed on Burbank Place. He noted that the road was constructed in 1974 in accordance with the original design with all of the required asphalt layers. He noted that since 1974, the asphalt has settled and deteriorated over the years. He commented that the roadwork could be incorporated into the Neighbourhood Renewal Program for replacement of the asphalt. He also observed that enhancements to the drainage would be undertaken at the time of the asphalt renewal.

A Member of the Committee asked a question related to the information provided and received a response from staff.

REVIEW OF PEDESTRIAN/VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AT SCHOOL SITES

Steve Rose, Manager of Traffic and Parking discussed the review of Pedestrian/Vehicular Traffic at School Sites. Mr. Rose provided a brief outline of the history associated with pedestrian/vehicular traffic at school sites. He indicated that staff work with school principals to assist with pedestrian/vehicular traffic concern at school sites.

Members of the Committee and Council members in attendance asked several questions related to the information provided and received responses from staff.

Representatives of the School Boards will be invited to attend a future meeting of the Infrastructure, Investment and Development Services Committee meeting to allow for further discussion on the matter. (14-A-141) (File: T08)

HERITAGE BARRIE COMMITTEE REPORT DATED AUGUST 5, 2014

The Report of the Heritage Barrie Committee dated August 5, 2014 was received. (File: C05).

HERITAGE COMMITTEE REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 2, 2014

The Report of the Heritage Barrie Committee dated September 2, 2014 was received.

The Infrastructure, Investment and Development Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"

INFILL SIDEWALK POLICY

1. That the policy for the inclusion of infill sidewalks as a component of a road reconstruction project as detailed in the Report to Infrastructure, Investment and Development Services dated January 20th, 2015 and the criteria identified in Appendix "B" be approved.
2. That the policy for prioritization of stand-alone infill sidewalk projects as detailed in the Report to Infrastructure, Investment and Development Services dated January 20th, 2015 and the criteria identified in Appendix "C", be approved.
3. That notwithstanding the City policy with respect to the installation of infill sidewalks, and in response to the request of the property owners in the area, a sidewalk not be installed on Highland Avenue. (File: T00)

Councillor Morales declared a potential pecuniary interest in the foregoing matter as he resides in the area of Mountbatten Crescent. He rolled his chair back from the Council Table and he did not participate in the discussion nor vote on the question.

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 2/9/2015.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN