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### **RECONITION OF THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2018 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION BARRIE AWARDS**

Mayor Lehman called upon Robb Meier, Chair of the Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee to present the 2018 Active Transportation Barrie Awards.

Mr. Meier provided background on what constitutes active transportation. He highlighted some of the work and projects that have been completed by the Active Transportation Working Group in collaboration with the City.

Mr. Meier advised that the Active Transportation Barrie Awards are to formally recognize people, businesses and organizations within the City of Barrie who champion, promote and encourage car-free forms of transportation. He advised that this is the final initiative of the now-previous Working Group, which has recently transitioned into the Active Transportation and Sustainability Advisory Committee. Mr. Meier asked that Mayor Lehman join him at the podium for the Active Transportation Barrie Awards presentations to recognize both an individual and a business.

Mr. Meier recognized Cailyn Fitzgerald who introduced Barrie's first female-led bicycle repair and maintenance program. He explained how the program was designed by and for women in order to increase female participation in Barrie's bicycle culture. Mr. Meier noted that with support from Firebird Community Cycle and the Canadian Mental Health Association, this program promoted the development of and relationships. He noted how Ms. Fitzgerald became a trusted mentor to all of her students which contributed to the program's success. Mr. Meier and Mayor Lehman congratulated Ms. Fitzgerald and presented her with a certificate to recognize her accomplishment.

Mr. Meier recognized Innovative Automation and called upon Michael Lalonde, Vice President of Business Development to accept the Active Transportation Barrie Award for a business. He explained the award was for supporting a commuter cycling culture through the provision of bicycle parking for their staff. Mr. Meier and Mayor Lehman congratulated Mr. Lalonde and the team at Innovative Automation and presented a certificate to recognize their accomplishment.