



## Transportation Committee

### Minutes

**Meeting #:** 7  
**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 2023  
**Time:** 9:30 am  
**Location:** Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

**Present:** Chair: Councillor Tim Tierney, Vice-Chair: Councillor Catherine Kitts, Councillor Jessica Bradley, Councillor George Darouze, Councillor Steve Desroches, Councillor Sean Devine, Councillor Glen Gower, Councillor Wilson Lo, Councillor Ariel Troster

**Absent:** Councillor Laura Dudas, Councillor Laine Johnson, Councillor Matt Luloff

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1. Notices and meeting information for meeting participants and the public  
  
Notices and meeting information are attached to the agenda and minutes, including: availability of simultaneous interpretation and accessibility accommodations; *in camera* meeting procedures; information items not subject to discussion; personal information disclaimer for correspondents and public speakers; notices regarding minutes; and hybrid participation details.  
  
Accessible formats and communication supports are available, upon request.  
  
Except where otherwise indicated, reports requiring Council consideration will be presented to Council on September 13, 2023 in Transportation Committee Report 7.  
  
The deadline to register by phone to speak, or submit written comments or visual presentations is 4 pm on August 23, 2023, and the deadline to register by email to speak is 8:30 am on August 24, 2023.

**This draft Minutes document contains a summary of the disposition of items and actions taken at the meeting. This document does not include all of the text that will be included in the final Minutes, such as the record of written and oral submissions. Recorded votes and dissents contained in this draft Minutes document are draft until the Minutes of the meeting are confirmed by the Committee. The final draft Minutes will be published with the agenda for the next regular Committee meeting and, once confirmed, will replace this document.**

2. Declarations of Interest

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 TRC Minutes 6 - Thursday, 22 June 2023

**Carried**

4. Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department

4.1 Bank Street Cycling and Transit Improvements (Riverside Drive Westbound to Aylmer Avenue)

File No. ACS2023-PRE-TP-0007- Capital (17), Alta Vista (18)

Councillor Desroches dissented.

Councillor Lo dissented on paragraph 2.

Deborah Lightman, Program Manager, Active Transportation and Kalle Hakala, Senior Project Manager, Sustainable Transportation presented an overview of the report recommendations and answered questions from the Committee. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

Vivi Chi, Director of Transportation Planning and Pat Scrimgeour, Director, Transit Customer Systems and Planning also responded to questions.

The Committee heard from the following public delegations:

- Neil Saravanamuttoo
- Kerry Hodgins
- Valerie MacIntosh
- Betty MacGregor (Traffic and Safety Committee of the Ottawa South Community Association) \*
- Brian Montgomery
- Brian Tansey

- Michael Holuj
- Patrick Flegel
- Mark Fried
- Linda Mathies (Parkways for people)
- Rob Samulack
- Dan Rubinstein
- Murray Weeks
- Henri Cheung
- William Van Geest

[ \* Individuals / groups marked with an asterisk above either provided comments in writing or by e-mail; all submissions are held on file with the City Clerk. ]

The following correspondence is held on file with the City Clerk. A petition against removing vehicle lanes was also received and held on file with the City Clerk

- Betty MacGregor
- Carol Stephenson
- Christopher Mari
- Dina Namer
- Ian Johns
- Jack Marsala
- John Langstone
- Paul Sweeney
- Rob Samulack
- Sydney Gen
- Michel Haddad
- Vince Caceres
- Michal Samborski

At the conclusion of questions to the delegations and to staff, and following Committee discussion, the report recommendations were then put before Committee and were Carried with Councillor Desroches dissenting and Councillor Lo dissenting on paragraph 2.

### **Report Recommendations**

**That the Transportation Committee recommend Council:**

1. **Approve the recommended plan to add cycling facilities to Bank Street over Billings Bridge between Riverside Drive westbound and Chesley Street as described in this report; and,**

2. **Approve implementation of a northbound reserved bus lane on Bank Street between Chesley Street and Aylmer Avenue during the weekday afternoon peak period, including any by-law amendments required to implement this facility.**

**Carried**

#### 4.2 Nesbitt Street Encroachment Agreement

File No. ACS2023-PRE-RHU-0028 - Bay (7)

*This report will be submitted to Transportation Committee on October 26, 2023.*

#### **Report Recommendation**

**That the Transportation Committee and Council receive this report for information.**

Moved by C. Kitts

**WHEREAS the signing of the encroachment agreement for 2 Nesbitt Street is not considered highly urgent in nature; and**

**WHEREAS volunteer delegates have expressed concerns with their availability and ability to prepare for delegation;**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Transportation Committee defer the item listed as 4.2 to the October 26th, 2023 Transportation Committee meeting.**

**Carried**

#### 5. In Camera Items

#### 6. Motions of Which Notice has been Previously Given

##### 6.1 Motion – Decommissioning the Strandherd/Crestway bus-only left turning lane

File No.: ACS2023-OCC-CCS-0104 - Barrhaven-East (24)

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the exclusive bus-only left turning lane into the Nepean Woods Park and Ride on the westbound Strandherd Drive onto Crestway Drive be decommissioned until transit and traffic use and flows warrant its reimplementation; and,**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the exclusive bus-only left turning lane into the Nepean Woods Park and Ride, on the westbound Strandherd Drive onto Crestway Drive, be hatched off by appropriate road markings, leaving only one left turning lane and thereby combining all west-to-south left turning traffic to a single left turn lane; and,**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the exclusive bus-only left turning lane overhead reserved bus lane sign and the priority signal heads be removed, including for redeployment to another location requiring their use.**

**Withdrawn**

7. Notices of Motions (For Consideration at Subsequent Meeting)

8. Inquiries

8.1 Accessibility Impacts of Construction

Submitted by Councillor A. Troster

There are 103 individual public infrastructure projects in Somerset Ward this summer, which has created some significant challenges in terms of pedestrian accessibility.

- What are the city's current standards for pedestrian accessibility during sidewalk construction?
- Do complaints to 311 about construction accessibility concerns automatically translate into a site assessment?
- How many site inspections were carried out through the Standards office in the last year and how many included volunteer residents?
- How many changes were made to city construction sites as a result of Standards' inspections in the last year, specifically pertaining to pedestrian accessibility? What follow up occurs to ensure the changes have been made?
- In what circumstances does the city close both sidewalks for construction at the same time?
- How are mobility challenges and accessibility needs determined and protected during sidewalk repair construction?

9. Other Business

10. Adjournment

Next Meeting

September 21, 2023

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

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Original signed by R. Ramos,  
Committee Coordinator

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Original signed by Councillor T.  
Tierney, Chair