



Transportation Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 16
Date: Thursday, November 28, 2024
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 Laura Dudas, Councillor Glen Gower, Councillor Laine Johnson, Councillor Wilson Lo, Councillor Matt Luloff, Councillor Ariel Troster

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 Wednesday December 11, 2024 in Transportation Committee Report 16.
The deadline to register by phone to speak, or submit written comments or visual presentations is 4 pm on Wednesday November 27, 2024, and the deadline to register to speak by email is 8:30 am on Thursday November 28, 2024.
These “Summary Minutes” indicate 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 full Minutes, such as the record of written and oral submissions. Recorded votes and dissents contained in the Summary Minutes are draft until the full Minutes of the meeting are confirmed by the Committee. The draft of the full Minutes (for confirmation) will be published with the agenda for the next regular Committee meeting and, once confirmed, will replace this document.

2. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 TRC Minutes 15 – 24 October, 2024

Carried

4. Finance and Corporate Services Department

4.1 Draft 2025 Operating and Capital Budgets – Transportation Committee

File No. ACS2024-FCS-FSP-0017 – City Wide

The draft budget was tabled at the Council meeting of November 13, 2024.

The following staff presented an overview of the draft 2025 budget and answered questions from the Committee. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

- Cyril Rogers, General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, Finance and Corporate Services Department
- Alain Gonthier, General Manager, Public Works Department
- Vivi Chi, General Manager, Planning, Development and Building Services Department
- Tammy Rose, General Manager, Infrastructure and Water Services Department

The following staff also answered questions from the Committee:

Public Works Department: Krista Tanaka, Director, Traffic Services, and Quentin Levesque, Director, Roads and Parking Services

Infrastructure and Water Services Department: Carina Duclos, Director, Infrastructure Services and Susan Johns, Director, Asset Management Services

Planning, Development and Building Department: Jennifer Armstrong, Director, Transportation Planning and Court Curry, Manager, Right of Way and Urban Design Services

Councillors T. Kavanagh, R. King, and S. Plante were also present and asked questions to the staff.

Committee received a submission from Ottawa Disability Coalition (letter dated November 26, 2024) and a copy is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

The following members of the public spoke before the Committee and provided comments on the item:

- Ken Holmes – slides on file
- Jenna Ladd (Iron North Studio)

After discussion, the Committee carried the item as amended.

Recommendation

That the Transportation Committee consider the relevant portions of the 2025 Operating and Capital Budgets including the tax and rate supported programs, and make recommendations to Council sitting in Committee of the Whole to be held December 11, 2024.

Carried as amended

Moved by G. Gower

That the Transportation Committee recommend that Council, sitting as Committee of the Whole, approve the Transportation Committee 2025 Draft Operating and Capital Budget, as follows:

1. **The Public Works Department Budget, as follows:**
 - a. **General Manager's Office and Business Technical Support Services - Operating Resource Requirement (page 2);**
 - b. **Roads Services, as follows:**
 - i. **User Fees (page 5);**

- ii. **Operating Resource Requirement (page 4);**
 - c. **Parking Services, as follows:**
 - i. **User Fees (pages 8-12);**
 - ii. **Operating Resource Requirement (page 7);**
 - d. **Traffic Services, as follows:**
 - i. **User Fees (revised pages 16-17);**
 - ii. **Operating Resource Requirement (page 15);**
 - 2. **Planning, Development and Building Services Department, Transportation Planning Budget, as follows:**
 - a. **User Fees (page 20)**
 - b. **Operating Resource Requirement (page 19)**
 - 3. **Finance and Corporate Services Department, Fleet Services Budget, as follows:**
 - a. **User Fees (page 23);**
 - b. **Operating Resource Requirement (page 22);**
 - 4. **The Transportation Committee Capital Budget (pages 26-29) [Individual projects listed on pages 50-170, including revised page 167].**
5. Public Works Department
- 5.1 Strategic Road Safety Action Plan Annual Report

File No. ACS2024-PWD-TRF-0005 - City-wide

The following staff presented an overview of the Strategic Road Safety Action Plan and answered questions from the Committee. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

- Krista Tanaka, Director, Traffic Services, Public Works Department
- Cathy Kourouma, Program Manager, Road Safety, Public Works Department
- John Wambombo, Program Coordinator, Safer Roads Ottawa, Public Works Department

The following staff also answered questions from the Committee:

Alain Gonthier, General Manager, Public Works Department and Jennifer Armstrong, Director, Transportation Planning, Planning, Development and Building Department.

Councillors R. King and S. Plante were also present and asked questions to the staff.

Committee received a submission from John Verbaas (letter dated November 29, 2024) and a copy is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

John Verbass spoke before the Committee and provided comments on the item.

After discussion, the Committee carried the item.

Report Recommendation(s)

That Transportation Committee recommend that Council:

1. **Receive the Road Safety Action Plan – 2024 Implementation Plan Status Update.**
2. **Approve the Road Safety Action Plan – 2025 Implementation Plan, as outlined in this report.**

Carried

6. Office of the City Clerk

6.1 Status Update – Transportation Committee Inquiries and Motions for the period ending November 22, 2024

File No. ACS2024-OCC-CCS-0105 - City-wide

Report Recommendation(s)

That the Transportation Committee receive this report for information.

Received

7. In Camera Items

There were no *in camera* items.

8. Motions of Which Notice has been Previously Given

8.1 Councillor M. Luloff - Community Safety Zone on Prestwick Drive

File No. ACS2024-OCC-CCS-0098 - Orléans-Est-Cumberland (Ward 1)

Councillor Luloff introduced the motion.

The Committee carried the item on consent.

Motion

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Transportation Committee recommend that Council approve:

1. **Designating a Community Safety Zone on Prestwick Drive between Des Epinettes Avenue and Innes Road; and**
2. **Installing corresponding signage as soon as practicable.**

Carried

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

9.1 Councillor S. Devine - Road reviewal budget – 2025 Asset Management Strategy

WHEREAS the Comprehensive Asset Management Strategy approved in 2012 prioritizes investment in the arterial and collector road networks; and

WHEREAS the State of the Asset Report (SOAR) in 2017 showed the overall condition of the 1,500 km arterial road network in Fair condition and the 1,500 km collector road network in Poor condition; and

WHEREAS the 2022 Transportation Asset Management Plan (AMP) indicates the overall condition of the arterial road network is Fair to Good condition and the collector road network is Fair condition; and

WHEREAS the overall condition of arterial and collector road networks has improved since 2017 and none of these roads are in Very Poor condition; and

WHEREAS the 2022 Transportation AMP includes the renewal needs of the local road network for the first time; and

WHEREAS the overall condition of the 2,500 km local road network is Good condition, but 1% of local roads, representing 25km in length are in Very Poor condition and 11% of local roads, representing 275 km are in Poor condition; and

WHEREAS the 2017 Long Range Financial Plan does not currently include the renewal needs for local roads; and

WHEREAS the Comprehensive Asset Management Program supports a risk-based approach to investment decisions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Infrastructure and Water Services Department report back as a part of the 2025 AMP update report on the feasibility of allocating the road renewal budget across the road classes to ensure a more responsive level of investment in local roads.

9.2 Councillor L. Johnson - Community Safety Zone on Maitland Avenue

WHEREAS Maitland Avenue between the Highway 417 overpass and Clyde Avenue carries high volume car and truck traffic; and

WHEREAS Maitland Avenue cuts through residential neighbourhoods on both sides; and

WHEREAS collisions are frequent on this portion of Maitland Avenue; and

WHEREAS this portion of Maitland Avenue has a church, a childcare centre, a park, many homes and several bus stops; and

WHEREAS a worker from the childcare centre was struck from behind by a vehicle in November, 2024; and

WHEREAS the City has identified the intersection of Maitland/Erindale/Glenmount as problematic due to the risk of collisions and the high volume of children and youth who cross there daily for school; and

WHEREAS the speed limit is 50 km/h but a speed study in this stretch in January 2022 found the 85th percentile was 60 km/h and another speed study in this stretch in November 2022 found the 85th percentile was 65 km/h;

WHEREAS Community Safety Zones are a tool to help reduce the speed travelled along the roadway and to improve the safety of vulnerable road users in this area; and

WHEREAS the community has repeatedly expressed concerns regarding the persistent and dangerous speeding issues on this stretch; and

WHEREAS Community Safety Zones in Ottawa are established via delegated authority of the General Manager of Public Works and the

Director of Traffic Services within locations that meet the Council-approved criteria for the installation of Automated Speed Enforcement; and

WHEREAS the segment of Maitland Avenue between Hwy 417 and Clyde Ave does not meet the Council-approved criteria for Automated Speed Enforcement;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Transportation Committee recommend that Council approve:

1. Designating a Community Safety Zone on Maitland Avenue between Hwy 417 and Clyde Ave; and;
2. Installing corresponding signage as soon as practicable.

10. Inquiries

10.1 Vimy Memorial Bridge Collisions

Submitted by Councillor S. Desroches

The Ottawa Police Service report the following collision history on the Vimy Memorial Bridge and the adjacent intersections of Prince of Wales Drive at Strandherd Drive and River Road at Strandherd Drive/Earl Armstrong Road

- 2022 43 reportable and non-reportable collisions
- 2023 88 reportable and non-reportable collisions
- 2024 46 reportable and non-reportable collisions (as of Sept 24, 2024)

The Vimy Memorial bridge and the adjoining intersections represent critical links for current OC Transpo Service and the new Trillium Line stations. Given its importance to the entire south Ottawa transportation network, what mechanisms or processes are in place to monitor and address day-to-day congestion and promote road safety, as well as when incidents create greater pressure on the network?

11. Other Business

There was no other business.

12. Adjournment

Next Meeting: February 27, 2025.

The meeting adjourned at 1:26 pm