

## **Public Works and Infrastructure Committee**

#### Minutes

Meeting #:	19
Date:	Thursday, May 22, 2025
Time:	9:30 am
Location:	Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation
Present:	Chair: Councillor Tim Tierney, Councillor Jessica Bradley, Councillor Steve Desroches, Councillor Sean Devine, Councillor Laura Dudas, Councillor Laine Johnson, Councillor Wilson Lo, Councillor Matt Luloff, Councillor Ariel Troster
Absent:	Vice-Chair: Councillor Catherine Kitts, Councillor Glen Gower

## 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, May 28, 2025 in Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Report 19.

The deadline to register by phone to speak, or submit written comments or visual presentations is 4 pm on May 21, 2025, and the deadline to register to speak by email is 8:30 am on May 22, 2025.

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 <u>PWIC Minutes 18 Thursday, March 27, 2025</u>

Carried

- 4. Public Works Department
  - 4.1 2024 Parking Services Annual Report

File No. ACS-PWD-RPS-0003 - Citywide

## **Report Recommendation(s)**

## That the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommend that Council receive the Parking Services 2024 Annual Report.

Carried

## 4.2 Evening and Weekends Parking Rate Review

File No. ACS2025-PWD-RPS-0002 - Citywide

The following Public Works Department staff provided a presentation on the item, and answered questions from the Committee. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

- Quentin Levesque
- Scott Caldwell
- Bryan Babbs

Committee received the following submissions, and a copy of each is filed with the Office of the City Clerk:

- Benton Lam
- Judy Lincoln
- OCOBIA The Ottawa Coalition of Business Improvement Areas
- Todd Brown

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

- Darrell Cox (Ottawa Coalition of Business Improvement Areas)
- David Mangano
- Cassie Smith
- Brian Lahey
- Todd Brown
- Chris Pierre
- Samantha Sigle
- Stephen Beckta
- Zachary Dayler (ByWard Market District Authority)
- Steve Monuk

Following discussions, the Committee considered the following motion:

## **Report Recommendation(s)**

That the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommend Council approve the updated Municipal Parking Management Strategy Rate Setting Guidelines to address the parameters for extending or removing paid parking during the weekday evenings or during the weekend (daytime or evening).

**Carried as amended** 

## Motion No. PWIC PWIC 2025-19-01

Moved by A. Troster

WHEREAS the City recognizes the value that restaurants and entertainment venues generate for our city and the important role they play in creating jobs for our residents; and

WHEREAS the City has historically not enforced paid parking in commercial areas on Sundays or after 5:30 pm; and

WHEREAS the staff report recommends substantial changes to paidparking practices citywide, which may require some time for residents, business owners and their staff to adjust to;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Adjusting On-Street Hours of Operation section of the Rate Setting Guidelines, as included as Document 3 to the Evening and Weekends Parking Rate Review report (ACS2025-PWD-RPS-0002), be amended as follows:

- The extent of paid parking in the evening (weekdays and weekends), where warranted, will be 7:30 pm (instead of 9:00 pm)
- Weekend daytime and evening parking, where warranted, will be limited to Saturday (instead of both Saturday and Sunday)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Parking Services report back to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee in Q2 2027 on the effectiveness of the measures implemented as part of this report, and with proposed changes they believe may be required when they report back.

For (8): T. Tierney, J. Bradley, S. Desroches, L. Dudas, L. Johnson, W. Lo, M. Luloff, and A. Troster

Against (1): S. Devine

Carried (8 to 1)

- 5. Councillors' Items
  - 5.1 <u>Speed Reduction on Earl Armstrong Road from River Road to Limebank</u> <u>Road</u>

File No. ACS2025-OCC-CCS-0064 - Riverside-Sud-Findlay Creek (22)

Report Recommendation(s)

That the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommend that Council approve the reduction of the speed limit on Earl Armstrong Road from River Road to Limebank Road to 60 km/h.

Carried as amended

## Motion No. PWIC PWIC 2025-19-02

Moved by S. Desroches

# BE IT RESOLVED that the report recommendation be amended to replace 60km/h with 70 km/h.

6. In Camera Items

There were no *in camera* items.

- 7. Information Previously Distributed
  - 7.1 <u>Planning, Development and Building Services Department Report on the</u> <u>Use of Delegated Authority, 2024 - Planning, Right of Way, Heritage and</u> <u>Urban Design, and Building Code Service Areas</u>

File No. ACS2025-PDB-PS-0019

- 8. Motions of Which Notice has been Previously Given
  - 8.1 <u>Motion Councillor T. Tierney Bank Street Active Transportation and</u> <u>Transit Priority Feasibility Study</u>

File No. ACS2025-OCC-CCS-0061 - Citywide

Jennifer Armstrong, from Planning, Development & Building Department answered questions from the Committee.

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

- Marko Miljusevic
- Derrick Simpson (CCA Transportation Chair)
- Ajay Ramachandran
- Hadi Y

Following discussions, the Committee considered the following motion:

Report Recommendation(s)

That Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommend Council approve that as part of the Bank Street Active Transportation and Transit Priority Feasibility Study, staff be directed to review the impacts of any recommended changes to Bank Street on adjacent community streets that could be used as cut-through routes, and develop appropriate mitigation measures, as required.

Carried as amended

Motion No. PWIC PWIC 2025-19-03

Moved by T. Tierney

WHEREAS the covering report for this item was circulated to members of Council without the Planning, Development and Building Services Department comment;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the report be amended to include the following departmental comment:

"Planning, Development and Building Services Department As part of the current scope for the Bank Street Active Transportation and Transit Priority Feasibility Study, impacts to the adjacent community are being considered in the evaluation of options. Should this motion be approved, staff will expand the scope of the consultant assignment to undertake a more detailed analysis of community impacts and potential mitigation measures. This work can be undertaken within the department's existing budget authority and is not expected to impact the overall project schedule, which is targeted for completion in the fall."

Carried

- 9. Notices of Motions (For Consideration at Subsequent Meeting)
  - 9.1 Innes Road No Parking Zone

Submitted by: Councillor L. Dudas

## Motion No. PWIC PWIC 2025-19-04

Moved by L. Dudas

WHEREAS Innes Road is classified as an arterial road and runs eastwest through the entirety of Blackburn Hamlet; and

WHEREAS Innes Road is the primary transportation corridor through the Hamlet, regardless of method of transportation; and

WHEREAS the vast majority of the roadway prohibits parking on both sides, save for a small section on the north side at the east end; and

WHEREAS the north side of this section of Innes Road, only has a mixed gravel/asphalt shoulder, before dropping off into a ditch; and

WHEREAS this section of roadway includes multiple bus stops, and is commonly used by both pedestrians and cyclists; and

WHEREAS when vehicles are parked along this section, it forces all vulnerable users either into the ditch, or into active vehicular traffic lanes in order to pass the parked vehicles; and

WHEREAS the conditions under which staff have delegated authority to implement a change to the curbside regulations along this stretch of Innes Road are not met, based on the On-Street Parking Regulation Change Policy, as approved by Council in April 2017

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommend that Council approve changing existing curbside regulations along the north side of Innes Road between the Blackburn Hamlet Bypass and the western Cleroux Crescent intersection to prohibit parking.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT corresponding "No Parking" signage be installed as soon as practicable in 2025.

9.2 Entry Gateway Speed Limit

Submitted by: Councillor L. Johnson (on behalf of R. Brockington)

#### Motion No. PWIC PWIC 2025-19-05

Moved by L. Johnson

WHEREAS the Carlington neighbourhood of River Ward has a default speed limit of 40km/hr on residential streets, as part of the Entry Gateway Speed Limit (traffic calming) initiative; WHEREAS the Carlington Community Association Transportation Committee has worked closely with the local Councillor in recent years, identifying several traffic calming initiatives to pursue and implement within the neighbourhood;

WHEREAS there is a local desire to amend the speed limit on local residential streets from 40km/hr to 30km/hr and would be tested in approximately half of the neighbourhood first, as part of a phased-in approach;

WHEREAS the area referenced in the motion includes, Turnbull School, W E Gowling PS, the Adult HS, the Alexander Community Centre, Harrold Place Park, Alexander Park and Meadowvale Park;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Entry Gateway Speed Limit for Carlington East (Carling to the north, Fisher to the east, Kingston to the south and Merivale to the west) be amended from 40km/hr to 30km/hr on all residential streets (excluding arterial and collector streets);

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the costs associated with the implementation be covered by the River Ward (Ward 16) traffic calming budget.

10. Inquiries

## 10.1 <u>Tools Available for Regulating the Hauling of Fill and Road Impacts</u>

Submitted by: Vice-Chair C. Kitts

Some communities—including Ward 19—have experienced road infrastructure degradation in certain instances due to significant fill-hauling operations linked to development and construction activity. These heavy trucking operations impact the condition of the roadway pavement (paved and gravel surfaces), and safety of the road users. These activities can also strain city maintenance resources and place the burden on taxpayers to fund road upkeep following damage by hauling operations.

Could staff please identify what regulatory tools currently exist surrounding heavy vehicles and their impact on municipal road infrastructure, particularly outside of the seasonal load restriction period? Specifically:

- 1. What legislative or regulatory tools are currently available to manage or mitigate the impacts of heavy vehicles on public roads?
- 2. How are these tools enforced?

- 3. Are there any opportunities within development approvals, permitting, or by-law processes to require securities, cost-sharing, or road maintenance agreements where heavy vehicles are used over public roads?
- 4. Do staff have it on their workplan to review other options to address this issue, if so, what is the context of these reviews and what City Departments will be involved.

## 10.2 Exploring the Use of Recyclable Materials in Road Rehabilitation Projects

Submitted by: Vice-Chair C. Kitts

As part of my ongoing interest in improving the quality and longevity of our infrastructure and road rehabilitation program, I would like to inquire whether Staff has explored the use of recycled plastic materials in asphalt paving.

I understand that this practice has been adopted in various municipalities globally, with some reported net benefits. I would appreciate your insight on the following specific questions:

- 1. What data or feedback is available on the use of recyclable materials (mainly plastics) in Asphalt?
- 2. Have the environmental benefits been considered?
- 3. How cost-effective would it be, and would there the any economic potential?
- 4. Are there any disadvantages?
- 5. Can plastic recycling materials that are collected in the City's Blue Box program be considered as a source?
- 6. Is a "Made in Ottawa" pilot program to test this innovation possible based on the above answers?

## 11. Other Business

## 11.1 Announcement - Big Wheels Expo 2025

Chair T. Tierney invited members of the Committee to participate in the Big Wheels Expo 2025 and provided details about the event.

12. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 26, 2025.

The meeting adjourned at 12:41 pm.

M. Busnardo dos Santos, Committee Coordinator Councillor T. Tierney, Chair