



Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 24
Date: Thursday, February 26, 2026
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 Steve Desroches, Councillor Sean Devine, Councillor Laura Dudas, Councillor Glen Gower, Councillor Laine Johnson, Councillor Wilson Lo, Councillor Matt Luloff, Councillor Isabelle Skalski, Councillor Ariel Troster

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 Accessible formats and communication supports are available, upon request.
 Except where otherwise indicated, reports requiring Council consideration will be presented to Council on Wednesday, March 11, 2026 in Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Report 24.
 The deadline to register by phone to speak, or submit written comments or visual presentations is 4 pm on February 25, 2026, and the deadline to register to speak by email is 8:30 am on February 26, 2026.

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 PWIC Minutes 23 – November 27, 2025

Carried

4. Responses to Inquiries

4.1 PWIC-2025-05 - Right Turns on Red

Within the will of Committee, the item was lifted for discussion.

Krista Tanaka, Director, Traffic Services, Public Works Department, Alain Gonthier, General Manager, Public Works Department, and Jennifer Armstrong, Director, Transportation Planning, Planning, Development & Building Department responded to questions from Committee.

The following residents spoke before the Committee and provided comments on the item:

1. William van Geest (Ecology Ottawa)
2. Chris Hircock
3. Amanda Brown
4. Marko Miljusevic
5. Sandra Stec
6. Jacob Krich
7. Alex Gill
8. Florence Lehmann (Bike Ottawa)

Subsequently, Vice-Chair C. Kitts moved a motion on blanket bans on right turns on red lights. Following discussion the motion was withdrawn.

Lastly, the response to inquiry was 'RECEIVED' with Councillor A. Troster dissenting.

Received

5. Presentations

5.1 Highway 417 Rapid Bridge Replacements – Woodroffe Avenue and Maitland Avenue

Lincoln MacDonald and Ben Munroe 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.

Marcia Wallace, General Manager, Planning, Development Building Services and Jennifer Armstrong, Director, Transportation Planning, Planning, Development & Building Department responded to questions from Committee.

6. Planning, Development and Building Services Department

6.1 Kanata North Transitway Environmental Assessment Study – Recommended Plan

File No. ACS2026-PDB-TP-0007 - Kanata North (4), West Carleton-March (5), Bay (7)

Report Recommendation(s)

That the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommend that Council:

1. **Approve the updated functional design for the Kanata North Transitway Environmental Assessment (EA) Addendum (Corkstown Road to 240.0 metres north of Maxwell Bridge Road), as described in this report;**
2. **Direct Transportation Planning staff to finalize the documentation for the Kanata North Transitway Environmental Assessment Addendum, submit it to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) and post it on the project website;**
3. **Approve the functional design for the Kanata North Transitway Extension Environmental Assessment Study (240.0 metres**

north of Maxwell Bridge Road to the Urban Boundary), as described in this report; and

4. **Direct Transportation Planning staff to finalize the Environmental Project Report (EPR) for the Kanata North Transitway Extension project and complete the requirements of the Transit and Rail Project Assessment Process (TRPAP) as described in Ontario Regulation 231/08 of the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*.**

Carried

6.2 New Private Approach By-law

File No. ACS2026-PDB-RHU-0015 - City-wide

Jacqueline Quinn, Specialist, By-law Review, Planning, Development & Building Department 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.

Jake Gravelle, Associate Director, By-Law & Regulatory Services, Emergency & Protective Services Department also answered questions from the Committee.

A written correspondence from Jenna Cornfoot on February 21, 2026 was received by and filed with the Office of the City Clerk and distributed to Committee Members.

Report Recommendation(s)

That the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommend that Council:

1. **Approve the repeal of the Private Approach By-law (2003-447).**
2. **Enact the Access By-law as described in this report and in a form similar to the draft by-law set out in Document 1 to be in effect upon the passing of said by-law.**
3. **Approve the amendments to the following by-laws in conjunction with enactment of the Access By-law as described in this report and set out in Documents 4 to 6 to be in effect upon the passing of the new Access By-law:**
 - a. **Use and Care of Roads By-law (By-law No. 2003-498)**

- b. **Road Activity By-law (By-law No. 2003-445)**
- c. **Encroachment By-law (By-law No. 2003-446)**

Carried

7. Office of the City Clerk

7.1 Status Update – Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Inquiries and Motions for the period ending February 17, 2026

File No. ACS2026-OCC-CCS-0003 - City-wide

Report Recommendation(s)

That the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee receive this report for information.

Received

8. In Camera Items

There were no *in camera* items.

9. Information Previously Distributed

9.1 Paint It Up! 2025 program results

File No. ACS-2026-PWD-BTS-001

10. Motions of Which Notice has been Previously Given

10.1 Motion – Councillor W. Lo - Watershield parking

File No. ACS2025-OCC-CCS-0132 - Barrhaven East (24)

Following discussion by the Committee, the item was 'CARRIED' with Councillors A. Troster and C. Kitts dissenting.

Motion

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommends Council direct staff to implement a year-round full-time parking prohibition on the same side as the existing winter parking prohibition (replacing the winter parking prohibition) on the following streets before 1 April 2026:

- **Cicely Terrace**

- Coralroot Avenue
- Gentian Heights
- Springbeauty Avenue
- Sweetflag Street
- Twayblade Avenue
- Watershield Ridge

Carried

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

11.1 Road murals

Submitted by Councillor A. Troster (on behalf of Councillor T. Kavanagh)

Motion No. PWIC 2026-24-01

WHEREAS Road murals provide significant community benefits. By capturing drivers' attention, they help calm traffic and improve pedestrian safety, creating streets that feel more welcoming and secure; and

WHEREAS Beyond safety, these murals celebrate local culture and history, fostering a sense of identity and pride among residents; and

WHEREAS Road murals also make neighborhoods more visually appealing and distinctive, attracting visitors and supporting tourism, reflect local culture and history, strengthening community connections and make neighborhoods more inviting and distinctive; and

WHEREAS There are currently no clear directives from the City of Ottawa to communities on how to safely implement road murals, and that residents have been requesting clear guidance to begin projects for some time.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that staff develop regulations regarding murals on City roads including:

- which streets are permitted to have on-street murals (e.g. residential vs arterial)

- location considerations such as minimum distance from curbs and intersections
- aesthetic safety issues to ensure that they do not obstruct or mimic traffic signs/devices
- accepted paint types which are skid-resistant, non-reflective, and durable
- regulations around the maintenance and removal of degrading murals
- funding for accepted projects be integrated under the Ward Temporary Traffic Calming budget
- right of way and road closure considerations during the painting process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff work towards developing:

- clear information for residents interested in creating a road mural, such as a 'how-to' guide
- a permit application method for residents that is clear, and accessible online; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these regulations be completed by the end of Q2 2026.

11.2 Extension of Delegated Authority for Seasonal Road Closures

Submitted by Vice-Chair C. Kitts

Motion No. PWIC 2026-24-02

Moved by M. Luloff

That the rules of procedure be waived to consider the matter below at the February 26, 2026 meeting of Public Works and Infrastructure Committee.

Carried

Motion No. PWIC 2026-24-03

WHEREAS on April 12, 2023, City Council approved the recommendations from report [ACS2023-PRE-RHU-0012 Right of Way](#)

Patio By-law Update and New Urban Design Guidelines for Commercial Patios; and

WHEREAS Council granted the Manager, Right of Way, Heritage and Urban Design in consultation with the Director of Traffic Services together with the Director of Roads and Parking Services the delegated authority for seasonal road closures for an additional period of three years, through March 2026; and

WHEREAS an extension to the delegated authority is required to allow for the approval of seasonal road closure requests for the purposes of placemaking and economic activity on our City's local streets, particularly in the downtown and ByWard Market; and

WHEREAS staff intend to recommend this change permanently as part of the delegation of authority by-law review in the next Term of Council.THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommend Council approve the extension of delegation of authority to the Director, Right of Way, Heritage and Urban Design in consultation with the Director of Traffic Services together with the Director of Roads and Parking Services for seasonal road closures to December 2027.

Carried

12. Inquiries

There were no Inquiries.

13. Other Business

There was no other business.

14. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Monday, March 30, 2026.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40pm.

M. Busnardo dos Santos,
Committee Coordinator

Councillor T. Tierney, Chair