

1. PARKGLEN DRIVE SIDEWALK - OTTAWA PEDESTRIAN PLAN
TROTTOIR SUR LA PROMENADE PARKGLEN – PLAN DE LA
CIRCULATION PIÉTONNIÈRE D’OTTAWA

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council approve the following:

1. That the construction of the sidewalk on Parkglen Drive be deferred to Phase 3 of the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan;
2. That City staff, in consultation with the Ward Councillor, pursue discussions with Algonquin College on an agreement with the City for the continued public use of their existing indoor pedestrian route between Building T and the Baseline Transit Station; and
3. That funding for the Parkglen Drive sidewalk be re-allocated towards the implementation of another sidewalk project in the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan.

RECOMMANDATIONS DU COMITÉ

Que le Conseil approuve ce qui suit :

1. Que la construction du trottoir sur la promenade Parkglen est repoussée à la phase 3 du Plan de la circulation piétonnière d’Ottawa;
2. Que le personnel de la Ville, en consultation avec le conseiller du quartier, mènera des discussions avec le Collège Algonquin afin de parvenir à une entente autorisant le public à continuer d’utiliser le passage piétonnier intérieur existant entre le pavillon T et la station Baseline; et

3. **Que les fonds destinés au trottoir sur la promenade Parkglen seront réaffectés à un autre projet de trottoir du Plan de la circulation piétonnière d'Ottawa.**

DOCUMENTATION / DOCUMENTATION

Committe Coordinator's report, dated 28 June 2017 (ACS2017-CCS-TRC-0015)

Rapport du Coordonnatrice du comité, daté le 28 juin 2017
(ACS2017-CCS-TRC-0015)

Report to
Rapport au:

Transportation Committee
Comité des transports
5 July 2017 / 5 juillet 2017

and Council / et au Conseil
July 12, 2017 / 12 juillet 2017

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Ward: COLLEGE (8) / COLLÈGE (8)

File Number: ACS2017-CCS-TRC-0015

SUBJECT: Parkglen Drive Sidewalk - Ottawa Pedestrian Plan

OBJET: Trottoir sur la promenade Parkglen – Plan de la circulation piétonnière d’Ottawa

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Transportation Committee recommend that Council approve the following:

- 1. That the construction of the sidewalk on Parkglen Drive be deferred to Phase 3 of the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan;**

- 2. That City staff, in consultation with the Ward Councillor, pursue discussions with Algonquin College on an agreement with the City for the continued public use of their existing indoor pedestrian route between Building T and the Baseline Transit Station; and**
- 3. That funding for the Parkglen Drive sidewalk be re-allocated towards the implementation of another sidewalk project in the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan.**

RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

Que le Comité des transports recommande au Conseil d'approuver ce qui suit :

- 1. Que la construction du trottoir sur la promenade Parkglen est repoussée à la phase 3 du Plan de la circulation piétonnière d'Ottawa;**
- 2. Que le personnel de la Ville, en consultation avec le conseiller du quartier, mènera des discussions avec le Collège Algonquin afin de parvenir à une entente autorisant le public à continuer d'utiliser le passage piétonnier intérieur existant entre le pavillon T et la station Baseline; et**
- 3. Que les fonds destinés au trottoir sur la promenade Parkglen seront réaffectés à un autre projet de trottoir du Plan de la circulation piétonnière d'Ottawa.**

BACKGROUND

On 7 June 2017, the Transportation Committee received a Notice of Motion from Councillor Deans on behalf of Councillor Chiarelli with regards to construction of a sidewalk on Parkglen Drive. A copy of the Notice of Motion is attached as Document 1 to this report.

DISCUSSION

The Construction of a sidewalk on Parkglen Drive between Woodroffe and Withrow was approved by Council as part of the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan in November 2013. This is a Phase 1 Project which is identified as a Strategic Initiative in the 2015-2018 Term of Council Priorities with funding approved in the 2016 Capital Budget.

Currently there is a pedestrian pathway that exists connecting Building T and the Baseline Transit Station at Algonquin College. Given this indoor pedestrian route, the

residents along the roadway do not believe the construction of the sidewalk on Parkglen Drive is required. Subsequently the Ward Councillor has asked that the construction of the sidewalk be deferred to Phase 3 of the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan and that the funding for the sidewalk be re-allocated towards implementation of another sidewalk project. It is further recommended that the existing indoor pedestrian route between Building T and the Baseline Transit Station at Algonquin College continue to be available for public use.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no rural implications associated with the recommendation in this report.

CONSULTATION

Councillor Chiarelli's office went door to door to consult with the Parkglen residents on the proposed sidewalk. After receiving a lot of opposition to the proposal Councillor Chiarelli requested staff hold a public consultation to discuss the project with the community which was held on March 16, 2017. The meeting was well attended by the broader Ryan Farm community.

COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR

A significant majority of residents contacted through the door-to-door and public consultations preferred that the City instead make the top priority to secure and formalize the pedestrian pathway link that travels through the park to the Algonquin buildings, continues along over the pedestrian bridge, and to the transit station. The main purpose for this proposed sidewalk was to complete a transit link and it was pointed out to staff repeatedly by residents that this existing pathway is the preferred link, most logical, and most used, not the proposed new sidewalk path.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) COMMENTS

No consultation with the City's advisory committees was required.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal impediments to implementing the recommendations in this report.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

As directed, staff will pursue discussions with Algonquin College regarding the continued public use of their existing pedestrian route to Baseline Transit Station. This route is currently publicly accessible, however it is possible that in future Algonquin College may restrict or prohibit public access. If this were to happen then the pedestrian link to Baseline Transit Station from the residential community southeast of Algonquin would be lost. If this risk were to materialize, staff would reassess the priority of the Parkglen Drive sidewalk and consider it as part of the next update to the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with the recommendations of this report.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

Both the City and Algonquin College are required to meet the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA) standards with respect to the design of public spaces. This will be taken into account as City staff engage with Algonquin College regarding the pedestrian route between Building T and the Baseline Transit Station.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

The recommendation of this report aligns to the 2015-2018 Strategic Priority – Transportation and Mobility, specifically Strategic Objective TM4 – Improve safety for all road users.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1 – Notice of Motion

DISPOSITION

The Transportation Services Department will take appropriate action based on the recommendations made by the Committee and Council.

Document 1

City Council, Standing Committee and Commission

Conseil, comités permanents et commission

Motion

Notice of Motion / Avis de motion

Committee / Commission: Transportation Committee

Comité / Commission : Comité des transports

Report / Agenda: 25

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Item / Article:

Re: **Parkglen Drive Sidewalk - Ottawa Pedestrian Plan**

Moved by / Motion de: Councillor D. Deans (*on behalf of Councillor Chiarelli*)

**WHEREAS City Council approved the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan in November 2013;
and**

**WHEREAS sidewalks provided safe connectivity to pedestrians of all ages and
abilities within the community to transit, schools, employment and recreational
facilities; and,**

**WHEREAS the 2013 Ottawa Pedestrian Plan identifies a sidewalk on Parkglen
Drive between Woodroffe and Withrow as a Phase 1 Project; and,**

**WHEREAS Phase 1 Ottawa Pedestrian Plan Projects are identified as a Strategic
Initiative in the 2015-2018 Term of Council Priorities; and**

**WHEREAS funding for the Parkglen Drive Sidewalk was approved in the 2016
Capital Budget; and**

**WHEREAS a pedestrian pathway exists in Ryan Farm Park and connects with
Algonquin College's existing indoor pedestrian route between Building T and the
Baseline Transit Station; and**

WHEREAS the residents along the roadway do not believe that a sidewalk on Parkglen Drive is required since the pedestrian route through Ryan Farm Park and Algonquin College can provide the needed pedestrian connection to the Baseline Transit Station;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the construction of the sidewalk on Parkglen Drive be deferred to Phase 3 of the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City staff, in consultation with the Ward Councillor, pursue discussions with Algonquin College on an agreement with the City for the continued public use of their existing indoor pedestrian route between Building T and the Baseline Transit Station; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funding for the Parkglen Drive sidewalk be re-allocated towards the implementation of another sidewalk project in the Ottawa Pedestrian Plan.