

City of North Vancouver

INTEGRATED TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

City Hall, Conference Room A
141 West 14th Street, North Vancouver

Wednesday, March 6, 2013 at 6:00pm

MINUTES

Present: Alex Boston
Eugenio Berti
Heather Drugge
Melina Scholefield (Chair)
Raj Janjua
Susan Skinner
Craig Keating

Staff: Clare Husk, Committee Clerk
Dragana Mitic, Manager, Transportation

Apologies: Robert Glover
Ian Williams
Kathleen Callow
Marcus Siu
Marlene Morton, RCMP
Tony Weller

Quorum 6

0360-20-ITC

1.0 CALL TO ORDER, ADOPTION OF AGENDA & MINUTES FROM JANUARY 2013

The meeting was called to order by Melina Scholefield at 6.05 without quorum present. Agenda was adopted.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried unanimously:

THAT the minutes of the Integrated Transportation Committee meeting held on Wednesday, February 6, 2013 be adopted.

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING

A number of items have been raised and will be addressed at future meetings. Committee Clerk listed the items.

3.0 Meeting Procedures

Ms. Mitic noted that this topic is to be raised annually. As it is especially useful for new members it was agreed to postpone this topic until the April meeting when more new members should be in attendance.

4.0 Work Plan 2013 – Exploring Priorities

Ms. Scholefield led the discussion for topic. Reminded of the key outcomes from the February discussion.

Looking at what the Committee could do to be highly effective.

Looking for volunteers to lead actions.

Noted that not all members would be able to commit extra time to take action beyond attendance to the committee.

SPECIAL INTEREST AREAS

1. GREEN LANES
2. OCP – it was noted that this is a huge issue, and the city is already in the OCP process.
3. PEDESTRIAN STRATEGY - extent of pedestrian network, how it is funded, connectivity and safety, comfort

1. GREEN LANES FOR ALL - DISCUSSION

- Exploration of concept
 - Committee workshop
 - What other info would be needed?
- Who else is doing this
 - Examples from other jurisdictions
- Some research about what has happened elsewhere
 - Inspiration/ideas
 - Multiple objectives – co-benefits
 - How projects funded
- How does it tie back to OCP
- Would other committees/associations have an interest
 - E.g. PEAC, food security, family association, community groups

ACTIONS:

1. Mr. Boston Shallow Dive Research from other local governments
2. Ms. Scholefield investigate City of Vancouver's recent Green Lane research

AIM:

1. Committee Workshop on Green Lanes – Summer/Fall 2013

2. OCP

- Stage in process
 - Scenarios under development
 - Return to public in May?

- Interest areas expressed that relate to OCP
- What analysis
- Macro principles
 - How could committee issues be reflected in OCP
- Connecting to other bodies
 - i.e. school district – land use plans

ACTIONS:

1. Mr. Roseland, City Planner, to be invited to ITC
2. Ms. Skinner to summarise and report back on OCP/CityShaping to Date (April)

3. PEDESTRIAN PLAN

- Safety
- What is the pedestrian master plan/strategy in current long-range transportation plan
 - Implementation strategy
 - Policies that support/prioritize pedestrianization
- Connect to health
 - Seniors, children, obesity
 - Budget
 - Investment in pedestrians
 - 'cheap' and important to energy and security

ACTIONS:

1. Staff Presentation
2. Workshop

COMMITTEE FUNCTION

1. Level of detail
2. Committee linkages
3. Chair observe other Committee chairs
3. Committee effort to be succinct

1. Level of Detail

- Be clear up front with resolution whether a broad/high level or specific
- Challenge to have enough time to formulate the resolution
- Ask ourselves
 - What are big picture 'messages' we want to convey

- What specific are critical
- More time to make a decision
 - Sometimes
- Budget time for various stages:
 - Q&A
 - Comments
 - Discussion
 - Resolution
- Need more Answers from delegation?
- Staff to recommend resolution?
- What would they value comment on?

ACTIONS:

1. Be upfront about level detail/scope res.
2. Chair to keep presenters from going over time
3. Staff/delegation to specify which project elements seeking input on

2. Committee Linkages

- Committee member(s) responsible for keeping tabs on agendas of other committees?
- ACDI – invite to ITC to see what they are looking at.

ACTIONS:

1. Ms. Drugge to recommend to ITC in April list of committees
2. City Staff liaison to mention to ACDI that ITC wish to sit in and share
3. Chair to reach out to other chairs about our interests and invite to observe, or areas of overlapping interest (e.g. ADP/PEAC and Green Lanes) in the fall.

ACTIONS:

1. Committee Capacity Building to be deferred to next meeting

5.0 CITY PROJECTS

- Spirit Trail Way Finding –implementation on sections begins in May.
- Bewicke Spirit Trail under construction – end of April finish
- Mackay Avenue – repaving (Pemberton Heights) – first Open House was in September, the second will be on Tuesday March 12, 2013.

- Financial Plan approved by Council - the operating and capital budget. Approved the two additional items. 1) Chesterfield bike path to link Carrie Cates to Esplanade. 2) West Keith to plan for bike facilities, from City hall down to Marine Drive.

6.0 TRANSPORTATION EVENTS (member update)
None reported.

7.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Laneway Parking

In response to the query on timing for this, Ms. Mitic reported that staff will be working on a policy over the next few months. This will come to the committee. A member requested that part of the staff analysis including diversity of uses for lanes, such as enhancing the pedestrian and bike networks.

Onni Development

Ms. Mitic, in response to a query about cycling facility on East 13th noted that there will be a bike lane and extension of the green sharrow (similar to that outside City Hall) and a bike lane going east. The sharrow on West 13th has been working well, it encourages the cyclist to take the lane, and vehicles are avoiding the lane.

Annual Report

Chair and Vice Chair are drafting this report. Requested input from other members.

Traffic Light at Hendry and East Keith Road

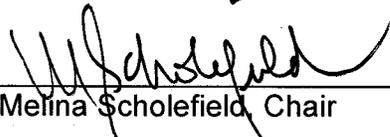
A member requested that this have flashing pedestrian lights. Ms. Mitic noted that it is in the ten year plan, but prioritised for the 2018 – 2022 timeframe.

School District Update

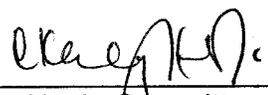
Ms. Skinner reported that the school district is strategizing on what to do with surplus school land. Ridgeway annex property will most probably be developed. Next to be considered are the Lucas Centre and Cloverley properties.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20pm



Melina Scholefield, Chair



Clare Husk, Committee Clerk

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 3, April 2013 at 6:30pm in Conference Room A, City Hall.