



Notice is hereby given for the following meeting:
**SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE (STAC)**

October 13, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.
Meeting held electronically under Ministerial Order No. M192
and in Meeting Room G, City Hall

AGENDA

1.0 ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO AGENDA

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of June 9, 2021

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Uptown Active Transportation Improvements – Urban Systems

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 Signalized Intersection Policy

– **Step 4: Draft Policy for Review/Input**

4.2 Bold Step 7 Plan

– **Draft Plan for Review/Input**

4.3 Master Transportation Plan Monitoring/Evaluation Dashboard

– **Draft Dashboard Framework**

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

8.0 NEXT MEETING DATE

TBD

9.0 ADJOURNMENT



SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (STAC)

June 9, 2021

**Meeting held electronically under Ministerial Order No. M192 and
the current Order of the Provincial Health Officer - *Gatherings and Events***

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor Patrick Johnstone	- Chair, City Council Member
Arshdeep Singh	- Alternate Chair/Community Member
Véronique Boulanger	- Community Member
Garey Carlson	- HUB Representative
Alice Cavanagh	- Business Community Representative
Asifa Lalji	- Person with Lived Experience
Iain Lancaster	- SD 40 Representative
Reena Meijer-Drees	- Local Pedestrian Advocacy Group Representative
Randi Poitras	- Community Member
Mike Smith-Cairns	- Community Member
Peter Valbonesi	- Person with Lived Experience

MEMBER REGRETS:

Mike Smith-Cairns	- Community Member
Elliot Roy	- Community Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Leblanc	- Manager, Transportation
Trevor Dudar	- Inspector, New Westminster Police Department
Kanny Chow	- Transportation Engineer
Erica Tiffany	- Senior Transportation Planner
Antonia Reynolds	- Coordinator, Active Transportation
Michael Leong	- Transportation Planning Engineer
Nicole Ludwig	- Assistant City Clerk
Carilyn Cook	- Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m.

Procedural note: In the absence of the Chair, Arshdeep Singh assumed the Chair.

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Sustainable Transportation Advisory Committee agenda of the June 9, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of April 14, 2021

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Sustainable Transportation Advisory Committee minutes of the April 14, 2021 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

There were no items.

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 Signalized Intersection Policy – Step 3: Scope/Outline of Policy

Lisa Leblanc, Manager, Transportation, shared a presentation summary on the Signalized Intersections Policy for which Committee members provided feedback at the April 14, 2021 meeting. During that meeting, Committee members broke into two groups to work on a prioritization exercise using the Eisenhower Matrix to address the “Do First” and “Schedule” boxes and determine if the items were only related to infrastructure or if they had an operational or behavioural aspect and whether or not all intersections in the City should be treated in the same way or if any were special or different. She noted that the same exercise was conducted with the Sustainable Transportation Task Force during which this Committee’s feedback was shared.

Ms. Leblanc advised that today’s discussion would be about the scope and outline of the Policy.

In response to questions from the Committee, Ms. Leblanc provide the following comments:

- The darker coloured fonts in the slide notes indicate consensus of the statement amongst Committee members;

- Drainage appears under both “Schedule” (where a systemic drainage issue would be scheduled to be addressed over a period of time) and “Delegate” (where drainage challenges would be addressed through arising opportunities such as redevelopment or other projects at the intersection); and,
- Conflicting locations, such as the bike route that runs through the industrial section on Braid Street where there is a clear conflict of two very different expectations, will be noted.

Ms. Leblanc reviewed the eight Emerging Principles of the Signalized Intersection Policy and Committee members provided the following comments:

- Happy to see accessibility and safety are highlighted;
- There are different interpretations of safety for different advocates; therefore, it is important to clarify what safety truly means and who is making that decision;
- With respect to greenways and routes to schools, safety and convenience should be about the whole route and not just at intersections.

Ms. Leblanc encouraged Committee members to continue the discussion around safety during the breakout room sessions to facilitate the creation of solid principles addressing safety.

For clarification, Ms. Leblanc noted the following:

- Removal of push buttons at pedestrian-controlled intersections refers to the physical removal of buttons from poles that have them; however, it is not currently the City’s intention to program the signals back to the way they were before the pandemic. Buttons will be reactivated to address operational and/or safety concerns; and,
- Discussion of intersections along greenways should be related to those with traffic lights to create clarity around the appropriate type of signal that should be implemented at that intersection.

At this point in the meeting, Committee members broke into three groups to answer the following questions:

- Do these Emerging Principles seem right?;
- Are there others that should be considered?; and,
- Are you comfortable with prioritizing Accessibility and Safety, recognizing that “comfort” and “convenience” will take longer to improve?

Once Committee members re-joined the meeting as a whole, the three groups shared their comments and suggestions with each other (Attachment 1).

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Bold Step 7 Plan – Assumptions and Status

Lisa Leblanc, Manager, Transportation, advised that staff are seeking feedback from the Committee on Bold Step 7 of the City’s 7 Bold Steps to address the climate crisis, noting that this Step is related to the Master Transportation Plan and refers to the reallocation of road space. Ms. Leblanc provided a presentation overview of Bold Step 7 titled, “Bold Step 7 – Assumptions and Status.”

For clarification, Ms. Leblanc noted the following:

- The Committee’s feedback will be shared with the Sustainable Transportation Task Force who will then provide Council with their recommendation. This is the first step in the process; and,
- Feedback requested from the Committee includes whether or not adding other things to a road space, to create a shared space, is a reasonable interpretation of re-allocation of road space, including possible ways to acknowledge and create a metric around the benefit that shared use of space provides.

At this point in the meeting, Committee members broke into three groups to discuss the City’s Bold Step 7 Plan – Assumptions and Status, and to answer the following questions:

- Does this approach align with your expectations for Bold Step 7?;
- Are there other ways to reallocate road space?; and,
- What does “quality” public realm mean to you?

Once Committee members re-joined the meeting as a whole, the three groups shared their comments and suggestions with each other (Attachment 2).

Ms. Leblanc encouraged Committee members to send any additional comments they may have on the topic to Carilyn Cook, Committee Clerk, who will forward them to Ms. Leblanc for her information.

5.2 Master Transportation Plan Monitoring/Evaluation Dashboard – Principles, Priorities and Indicators

Lisa Leblanc, Manager, Transportation, advised that staff are seeking feedback from the Committee on the Master Transportation Plan (MTP) and provided a presentation titled, “Monitoring Our Progress on Sustainable Transportation and Accessibility.”

Procedural note: Councillor Johnstone joined the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

At this point in the meeting, Committee members broke into three groups to discuss the MTP and to answer the following questions:

- Universal accessibility, disability justice, and equity are important and necessary considerations. How can we tell if we are making meaningful progress?; and,
- For sustainable transportation, in the MTP we have six goals, four targets, and 183 actions and policies. Is a qualitative summary of our progress meaningful? Is a formal report on each item necessary?

Committee members re-joined the meeting as a whole, and in the interest of time it was noted that comments and suggestions received during the breakout sessions would be shared at a later time (Attachment 3).

Committee members were once again reminded to submit additional comments to Carilyn Cook, Committee Clerk.

6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION

There were no items.

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items.

8.0 NEXT MEETING DATE

August 25, 2021

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Certified correct,

Councillor Patrick Johnstone
Chair

Carilyn Cook
Committee Clerk