

# PUBLIC AGENDA TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 12, 2016, 8:45 a.m.

Committee Room E, Ground Floor, City Hall

Members

Mr. K. Claffey, Chair
Ms. C. Janzen, Vice Chair
Councillor A. Iwanchuk
Sergeant D. Bryden
Mr. J. Chan
Mr. B. Girling
Mr. D. Hingston
Mr. C. Kuhnke
Mr. R. Meier
Mr. A. Reichert
Mr. S. Shannon
Ms. D. Taylor

**Pages** 

#### CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair [File No. CK. 225-8]

The Committee is requested to appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair for 2016. Ken Claffey was Chair for 2015 and Cora Janzen was Vice-Chair.

1.2 2016 Membership - Traffic Safety Committee [File No. CK. 225-8]

City Council, at its meeting held on November 23, 2015 adopted a recommendation of its Executive Committee that the following be appointed and reappointed to the Traffic Safety Committee for the terms indicated:

# For 2016:

Councillor A. Iwanchuk

#### To the end of 2017:

- Mr. Doug Hingston, Public Representative
- Mr. Steve Shannon, Board of Education for Saskatoon Public Schools - School Community Council Assembly
- Sergeant Dan Bryden, Saskatoon Police Service

- Mr. Ken Claffey, Board of Education for Saskatoon Public Schools Driver Education
- Mr. Al Reichert, Saskatoon and District Safety Council

The following were previously appointed by City Council to the end of 2016:

- Mr. Carl Kuhnke
- Mr. Rod Meier
- Ms. Deb Taylor
- Mr. Brock Girling, Saskatchewan Trucking Association
- Mr. Joseph Chan, SGI Traffic Safety Promotion Division
- Ms. Cora Janzen, Saskatoon Health Region

#### Recommendation

That the information be received.

#### 2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

#### Recommendation

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

#### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#### Recommendation

That the minutes of regular meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee held on November 10, 2015 be adopted.

#### 4. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

# 5. TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMUNICATION/EDUCATION [File No. CK. 225-8]

Attached is an excerpt from the minutes of meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee held on November 10, 2015, at which time the Committee discussed its 2016 traffic safety initiative and agreed to further discuss a possible social media campaign at its next meeting.

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The Committee has a budget of \$6,500 for traffic safety education and awareness for 2016. As an advisory committee, the Traffic Safety Committee may provide education and awareness programs within its mandate, provided that the Administration is consulted prior to the implementation of each program to ensure there is no duplication of services, and that the proposed program supports the City's policies and programs relating to traffic safety.

In the past the Committee has undertaken programs such as transit bus tailboard

and bus shelter advertisements, talking/texting while driving billboard campaigns, a child car seat initiative, and the purchase of bicycle bells and lights.

#### Recommendation

That the Committee provide direction regarding a 2016 traffic safety initiative.

#### 6. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

# 6.1 Outstanding Issues Raised by Committee Members [File No. CK. 225-8]

The Transportation Division, Transportation and Utilities Department has provided the attached update to the outstanding issues raised at the November 10, 2015 meeting of the Committee.

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#### Recommendation

That the information be received.

#### 7. NEW ISSUES RAISED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

#### Recommendation

That the information be received and the Administration review for any further handling.

#### 7.1 Rod Meier

 Vehicles which do not display tail lights after dusk. Some models of vehicles do not display tail lights as part of day time running light system. This can be a problem when overtaking such a vehicle from the rear in low light.

#### 7.2 Al Reichert 7 - 7

- Added turn lane sign (copy attached). Many motorists stop in the turn lane. How do we get the message out?
- Intersection at Wilson Crescent and Preston Avenue. Because of the angle that is present when turning left on to Preston Avenue the visibility from a truck or cube van is almost nil. As well, traffic in the left lane on Preston Avenue travelling north must turn left which means only one lane instead of two northbound lanes because of the concrete median.

### 8. ADJOURNMENT

# PUBLIC RESOLUTION TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Main Category: 4. TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMUNICATION/EDUCATION (File No. CK. 225-8)

Date: November 10, 2015

Any material considered at the meeting regarding this item is appended to this resolution package.

The Chair provided an update regarding a recent meeting with Rawlco Transit. It was noted that Rawlco Transit will be extending the intersection safety bus tailboard campaign to the end of the year. Discussion followed regarding a social media campaign for 2016 and involving Communications to assist with the project. The Committee was in agreement to discuss this further at the next meeting.

Carl Kuhnke updated the Committee regarding the SGI Project Evaluation Report which was submitted to SGI on behalf of the Traffic Safety Committee. SGI required this report to be submitted upon completion of the project with respect to the \$2,000 grant the Committee received. Mr. Kuhnke noted SGI was pleased with the evaluation and the Committee's initiative.

Moved By: C. Janzen

That the information be received.

**CARRIED** 

#### <u>Traffic Safety Committee – Tuesday, November 10, 2015</u>

7.2 Lorne Avenue Overpass – Signage (K. Claffey on behalf of G. Willie)

Administration will review.

#### 7.3 Traffic Concerns (K. Claffey)

- Add white line on Cumberland Ave between 8<sup>th</sup> Street & 7<sup>th</sup> Street. There are two driving lanes there, and there should also be a sign indicating that the right lane ends at the end of the block near 7<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - Reviewed in 2013 as a request from Traffic Safety Committee. There's only one driving lane southbound on Cumberland Ave (on north side of the intersection facing southbound one lane is designated as left turn only, and the other is straight through). The parking was removed on Cumberland Ave to allow motorists to bypass left-turning traffic into the Tim Hortons drive-thru/parking lot. This was to prevent traffic backing up into the intersection of Cumberland Ave & 8<sup>th</sup> St. No changes recommended at this time.
- Needs to be added lane sign when turning right (heading north) from Hart Road east on 22<sup>nd</sup>
   Street.
  - Reviewed in 2013 as a request from Traffic Safety Committee. This is a 140m acceleration lane. No changes to signage recommended at this time.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup>Avenue there needs to be a 4-way stop now that there are bike lanes. Visibility concerns.
  - Comments forwarded to project manager.
  - The warrant criteria for a 4-way stop are outlined in Policy C07-007: Traffic Controls –
     Use of Stop & Yield Signs (ie. collision data, traffic volumes).
  - Visibility concerns can be addressed through other measures such as parking restrictions, tree trimming etc.
- Concern about the bike lane on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue when parallel parking. Licence plates needed for bikes so they can be accountable for damages.
  - o Comments forwarded to project manager.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue needs to be a "this lane must turn left" sign (facing east).
  - Administration will review.
- One way sign when behind the Midtown Plaza going onto Auditorium Avenue.
  - Sign installation request will be sent to sign shop in early 2016.
- Walk lights are burned out on a lot of intersections on 8<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - o Information forwarded to Electronics Shop to review.
- Needs to be an added lane sign on Circle Drive heading south where College Drive merges on to Circle Drive to go to 14<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - This is not an added lane. This entering (from College Dr) and exiting (14<sup>th</sup> St) lane.
     Existing signage is appropriate.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 25<sup>th</sup> Street the left turn lane heading north is way too narrow. Needs to be wider.
  - o Information forwarded for further review. The lane width shown in the plans is 3m, which is adequate according to TAC guidelines. They may have been painted narrower.
- Advisory sign at the cloverleaf interchange needs to be changed from 30 to 40km.
  - Signed according Transportation Association of Canada guidelines. This signage is advisory, not regulatory, and as such is not enforceable.



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