



**PUBLIC AGENDA
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, May 10, 2016, 8:45 a.m.
Committee Room E, Ground Floor, City Hall
Members**

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

Pages

1. CALL TO ORDER

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 April 12, 2016 be adopted.

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

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

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Attached is an excerpt from the minutes of meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee held on April 12, 2016.

The Committee will continue its discussion regarding a 2016 initiative.

Recommendation

That the Committee provide direction regarding a traffic safety communication/education initiative for 2016.

6. FUTURE INITIATIVES [File No. CK. 225-8]

This item is being placed on the agenda to begin a conversation regarding the Traffic Safety Committee in relation to the new plans that the City is developing (Growth Plan, Active Transportation Plan, etc).

Recommendation

That the information be received.

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

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

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The Transportation Division, Transportation and Utilities Department has provided the attached update to the outstanding issues raised at the April 12, 2016 meeting of the Committee.

Recommendation

That the information be received.

8. NEW ISSUES RAISED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS [File No. CK. 225-8]

8.1 Embankment at the intersection of 22nd Street turning south onto Circle Drive (D. Taylor)

9. ADJOURNMENT

**PUBLIC RESOLUTION
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Main Category: 5. TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMUNICATION/EDUCATION

Date: April 12, 2016

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

The Committee Assistant submitted an excerpt from the minutes of meeting held on February 9, 2016.

The Committee discussed the recent report which went to the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation regarding the Traffic Safety Reserve Program Budget Adjustment. The report requests that funding from the Traffic Safety Reserve be used for various transportation safety improvement initiatives, including enhanced pedestrian safety. It was noted the report will be going to City Council on April 25, 2016 for final approval, and the Committee Assistant undertook to forward the report to Committee members for information.

Discussion followed regarding a possible education campaign with a theme of "Do You See Me?" and what that might look like. The Chair advised she has spoken with the Administration regarding the possibility of working together on a campaign in light of the above report, however, no decision has been made regarding the traffic safety reserve program initiatives.

It was suggested that another option for a 2016 campaign would be to use funds for other activities of traffic safety education, i.e. purchase of child car seats, or reflective items for children.

The Committee was in agreement to table the discussion regarding a 2016 education campaign until the next meeting when more information regarding the City's pedestrian safety initiatives would be available. A decision could be made at that time regarding joining the City's initiative or the Committee pursuing its own campaign for this year.

Moved By: D. Hingston

That the matter of a 2016 education/awareness campaign be tabled until the next meeting.

CARRIED

- Left turn lane for southbound on 1st Avenue and 20th Street (A. Reichert)
 - *Response: making provision for a dedicated left-turn lane in the southbound direction on 1st Avenue at 20th Street involves more than just removing the concrete island and a median pole. Currently, the middle lane at this point is not wide enough to accommodate a proper left-turn lane. Making the lane wider (i.e. pushing the centre line outside) is complicated by the fact that the opposing northbound inside lane (coming across the bridge) is also a through lane and the two lanes would overlap. As such, further improvements at this intersection are required, which we will not be able to undertake this summer.*

- Left turn lane going south on Preston Avenue at Taylor Street (A. Reichert)
 - *Response: Left turn lane proposed as part of the Preston Avenue Corridor Study. Will be installed when funding is received. Plan was circulated during April 12, 2016 meeting.*

- Highway 16 & Boychuk Drive (K. Claffey)

Eastbound left turn gets backed up into through lane. Sometimes gets backed up all the way past the Christian School. Large trucks traveling 100kph passing in lane beside. Drivers turning right onto Boychuk to avoid the wait and then crossing Highway 16 from the south. Are there plans until the interchange is built?

- *Response: Interchange to be constructed. Should know when construction will begin within a few months.*

Signal timing was modified in March/16 to separate north-south movements. The change makes it safer for the northbound and southbound movements on Boychuk Drive to complete the turns without the conflict with the opposing traffic. Shortly after, we made further adjustments to the signal timing after the observations of traffic flow and queuing throughout the day. More specifically, more green time was added to the eastbound left-turn to address delays and queuing around 3:00-3:30 pm. Further observations showed that this changed helped reduce the queues.

Overall, it is not possible to make significant improvements to the level of service at this intersection through signal timing adjustments during the busy times (i.e. afternoon peak hour) as the amount of traffic simply exceeds the available roadway/lane capacity. Until the interchange is

constructed, it is about managing congestion as best as possible and balancing delays.

Suggestion to install detection with variable message sign when coming over hill that warns approaching drivers “Traffic Ahead” – forwarded for further consideration. This will depend on timeline for interchange construction.

- Eastlake Avenue & Maple Street – missing street name sign (D. Hingston)
 - *Response: site check indicated sign was missing on the east side of intersection. Plans were sent to the sign shop to re-install.*

- 24th Street & Ontario Avenue - dropped lane going westbound (D. Hingston)
 - *Response: parking was added on this street resulting in one lane in either direction. Pavement marking and signage plans were updated accordingly and sent to the sign shop to install.*