

Pleasant Hill Neighbourhood Traffic Review
Thursday, April 13, 2017, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Station 20 West (206 1120 20th Street West)

Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Having a Productive Discussion
3. Traffic Management Presentation
4. Traffic Issue Discussion – Your Ideas/Solutions
5. Next Steps
6. Questions & Answers

1. Welcome & Introductions

(Presented by Mitch Riabko and Kathy Dahl, Facilitators)

2. Having a Productive Discussion

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- A Chance to Listen to Others and Share Your Ideas
- Respectful
- Orderly Participation
- Limit Repetitive Discussion

3. Traffic Management Presentation – Pleasant Hill Neighbourhood Traffic Review

(Presented by Mariniel Flores, P.Eng., Transportation Engineer)

- Presentation Outline
 - Neighbourhood Traffic Review Process
 - Pleasant Hill Review Schedule
 - Sources of Information
 - Past Concerns Received
 - Description of Traffic Calming & Pedestrian Safety Devices
 - Corridor Reviews & Major Intersection Reviews
- Neighbourhood Traffic Review Process
 - August 2013 – New process
 - Mandate – Improve road safety for all road users within neighbourhoods, reduce traffic volumes, slow vehicular speeds, improve pedestrian crossings & intersections where necessary
 - 2014 – Reviewed 11 neighbourhoods
 - 2015 – Reviewed 8 neighbourhoods
 - 2016 – Reviewed 8 neighbourhoods
 - 2017 – Pleasant Hill, North Park / Richmond Heights, Silverwood Heights, Dundonald, Buena Vista / Exhibition / Queen Elizabeth, Wildwood, Erindale / Arbor Creek

- Pleasant Hill Review Schedule
 - Stage 1 – Identify issues & possible solutions through community consultation (April to Fall 2017)
 - Stage 2 – Develop a draft traffic plan
 - Stage 3 – Present draft traffic plan to community for feedback (Fall 2017)
 - Stage 4 – Implement changes over time (Beginning Spring 2018)
- Sources of Information
 - Past studies
 - Collision analysis
 - Feedback from public consultation
 - Traffic counts & assessments
- Past Concerns Received
 - Speeding/Shortcutting– 17th St, 19th St, Ave O S, Ave V S, St. Mary's School Back Lane
 - Pedestrian Safety – Ave W & 18th St W
- Traffic Calming Devices
 - Speed Display Board
 - Curb Extension
 - Raised Median Island
 - Roundabout
 - Diverter
 - Right In / Right Out Island
 - Directional Closure
 - Raised Median Through Intersection
 - Full Closure
- Pedestrian Devices
 - Standard Crosswalk
 - Zebra Crosswalk
 - Active Pedestrian Corridor
 - Pedestrian Actuated Signal
- Corridor Reviews & Major Intersection Reviews
 - Created to address issues at intersections along arterial streets as Neighbourhood Traffic Reviews addresses local and collector streets within neighbourhoods
 - Recommendations will be identified and projects will be prioritized for funding approval
 - Report will be presented to City Council

4. Traffic Issue Discussion

- Residents discussed traffic concerns in Pleasant Hill and potential solutions

- Ave P & 20th St
 - People seem to respect “Walk” more. Suggest “Don’t Walk” instead of a hand symbol or suggest audible signals.
 - Pedestrian Actuated Signal not being used. Suggest an active beacon.
 - Wait time too long. Shorten call time.
 - Driver expectancy in the westbound direction.
 - Improve crossing for cyclists with trailer and for wheelchairs.
- 20th St
 - School zone sign not evident. Suggest sign board.
 - Ramps/corners in poor condition near the hospital
 - Suggest reduced speed zone near the hospital
 - People are parking too close to intersections near the hospital
- Ave P & 21st St
 - Sign on existing median island keeps getting driven over. Street too dark.
- Ave P
 - School zone sign is missing or not visible northbound towards 20th Street
- 18th St & Ave W
 - Concerned about pedestrians, specifically children crossing Ave W
- Ave L & 20th St
 - Parking too close to intersections
 - Hard to access Station 20 West
- 17th St
 - Speeding between Ave R and Ave P
- 19th St
 - Speeding between Ave R and Ave P
- Ave R & 20th St
 - Is there a pedestrian crossing?
- 21st St & Ave W
 - Senior issues
- 22nd St
 - Issues with crossing at t-intersections
- W.P. Bates
 - Issues with parent drop-offs at the school. Suggest a drop-off loop in front of school.
- Ave O
 - Street is narrow. Lots of traffic. Remove parking on west side of Ave O along St. Mary’s property.
 - Potholes
- Columbian Pl
 - Many people going to hospital are parking in the cul-de-sac. 2 hour parking may need to be installed.
- 20th St & Columbian Pl
 - People don’t press the push-button to activate the Pedestrian Actuated Signal
- General
 - Improve accessibility for people with disabilities

- Generally unsafe for pedestrians at crossings and ramps
- Left-turning vehicles swerving around at intersections
- Pedestrian crossing signals need audible signals. Put more on 20th Street at Ave O and at Ave N.
- Longer walk times and shorter wait times

5. Next Steps

(Presented by Mariniel Flores, P.Eng., Transportation Engineer)

1. Continue monitoring traffic issues in your neighbourhood
2. Mail-in or email comments no later than May 12, 2017
3. Additional public input via City on-line Community Engagement webpage no later than May 12, 2017 at <http://shapingsaskatoon.ca/discussions/pleasant-hill-neighbourhood-traffic-review>
4. Traffic & pedestrian data collection, analysis
5. Develop recommendations and prepare draft Traffic Plan
6. Follow-up public input meeting to provide input on draft Traffic Plan
7. Determine revisions and finalize Traffic Plan
8. Present Traffic Plan to City Council for approval

6. Questions & Answers

- When will the meeting minutes be posted?
 - The meeting minutes will be posted in a week or so.

List of Representatives

- Kathy Dahl, Mitch Riabko – Great Works Consulting, Facilitators
- Mariniel Flores – City of Saskatoon, Transportation & Utilities, P.Eng., Transportation Engineer
- Goran Lazic – City of Saskatoon, Transportation & Utilities, P.Eng., Transportation Engineer
- Yang Li – City of Saskatoon, Transportation & Utilities, Engineer-in-Training, Transportation Engineer
- Marina Melchiorre – City of Saskatoon, Transportation & Utilities, P.Eng., Transportation Engineer