

# TOWN OF AURORA TRAILS AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** Friday, November 20, 2015

**Time and Location:** 10:00 a.m., Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Councillor Tom Mrakas (Vice Chair), Irene Clement (EAC

Representative), Richard Doust (PRAC Representative),

Alison Collins-Mrakas, Bill Fraser, Laura Lueloff

Member(s) Absent: Councillor Sandra Humfryes

Other Attendees: Stephen M. A. Huycke, Town Clerk, Lawrence Kuk, Planner,

Jamal Massadeh, Traffic/Transportation Analyst, Jim Tree, Manager of Parks, and Samantha Yew, Council/Committee

Secretary

The Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

# 1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.* 

# 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Irene Clement Seconded by Alison Collins-Mrakas

THAT the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Services, with the following addition, be approved:

 Delegation (a) Klaus Wehrenberg, Resident Re: GO Rail Expansion

**CARRIED AS AMENDED** 

#### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Trails and Active Transportation Meeting Committee Minutes of April 17, 2015

Moved by Laura Lueloff Seconded by Richard Doust

THAT the Trails and Active Transportation Committee meeting minutes of April 17, 2015, be received for information.

CARRIED

# 4. **DELEGATIONS**

# (a) Klaus Wehrenberg, Resident Re: GO Rail Expansion

Mr. Wehrenberg expressed concern regarding the amount of points at which the proposed Metrolinx Regional Express Rail is to intersect with Town trails. He supports the use of overpasses and underpasses to keep continuous trails, and urges the Town to communicate with Metrolinx, and develop a set of guidelines for future projects that involve trails in order to ensure the trails are properly considered and maintained.

# Moved by Alison Collins-Mrakas Seconded by Irene Clement

THAT the comments of the delegation be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

### 5. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

# 1. Verbal Update from the Manager of Parks Re: Trails-related Projects

Mr. Tree gave an update regarding the Willow Farm Trail, including the status, layout, and proposed surface material of the trail, the proposed trails and trails that are currently being built in the 2C Area, and the proposed Tim Jones Trail crossing over Wellington Street East.

The Committee inquired about the status and features of various trails, and staff responded.

Moved by Richard Doust Seconded by Laura Lueloff

THAT the verbal update regarding Trails-related Projects be received for information.

CARRIED

# 6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

2. Extract from Council Meeting of August 25, 2015
Re: Report No. PR15-023 – Renaming a Section of Nokiidaa Trail

Moved by Alison Collins-Mrakas Seconded by Irene Clement

THAT the Extract from Council Meeting of August 25, 2015, regarding Report No. PR15-023 – Renaming a Section of Nokiidaa Trail, be received for information.

CARRIED

3. Extract from Council Meeting of May 11, 2015

Re: Trails and Active Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2015

Moved by Laura Lueloff Seconded by Richard Doust

THAT the Extract from Council Meeting of May 11, 2015, regarding Trails and Active Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2015, be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

# 7. NEW BUSINESS

New Business Motion No. 1 Moved by Alison Collins-Mrakas Seconded by Richard Doust

THAT the Trails and Active Transportation Committee recommend to Council:

THAT communications be established between the Town and Metrolinx to ensure the preservation and integrity of the Town's trail system and the Trails Master Plan.

**CARRIED** 

The Committee expressed concern regarding the lack of bike racks at shopping facilities and bus terminals.

New Business Motion No. 2 Moved by Bill Fraser Seconded by Alison Collins-Mrakas

THAT the Trails and Active Transportation Committee recommend to Council:

THAT staff investigate the feasibility of creating fully accessible bike hubs at existing and future bike trail entrances.

CARRIED

The Committee inquired about the Town's graffiti management policy. Staff indicated that there is a policy in place for graffiti issues.

# 8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Tom Mrakas Seconded by Alison Collins-Mrakas

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NOT BINDING ON THE TOWN UNLESS OTHERWISE ADOPTED BY COUNCIL AT A LATER MEETING.