

City of Maple Ridge **Transportation Advisory Committee AGENDA**

Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 7:00 pm Held via Zoom Teleconference

Meeting Access Information

To practice social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic we will be holding the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting via teleconference. All participants including members of the public are asked to join the meeting from home using the access information provided:

Join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone:

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Dial +17789072071 Meeting ID: 918 7968 3373 Passcode: 370216

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- 3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
 - 3.1 Regular Meeting Minutes - April 28, 2021
 - 3.2 Special Meeting Minutes - May 26, 2021

4. **DELEGATIONS** 7:10 PM

4.1 Introduction to the Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility & Inclusiveness Petra Frederick, Recreation and Community Engagement, Laurie Geschke, Chair, MACAI

5. **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

	5.1	Chair Selection	7:30 PM	
	5.2	STP Engagement Update	7:45 PM	
6.	LIAISO	LIAISON UPDATES		
	6.1.	Staff Liaison	8:30 PM	
	6.2.	Council Liaison	8:35 PM	
7.	QUESTION PERIOD FOR THE PUBLIC 8:40 PM		8:40 PM	
8.	ROUNDTABLE 8:5		8:50 PM	

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Next Meeting: September 22, 2021

Agenda Items Submission Deadline: September 8, 2021

QUESTION PERIOD

Question Period provides the public with the opportunity to ask questions or make comments on subjects that are of concern to them. Each person will be given 2 minutes to speak. Up to ten minutes in total is allotted for Question Period.



City of Maple Ridge Transportation Advisory Committee MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), held via Zoom teleconference on April 28, 2021 at 7:15 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Gordy Robson
Gary Hare, Chair
Eric Phillips, Vice Chair
Jennifer Wright
Vijay Soparkar

Council Liaison
Member at Large
Member at Large
Member at Large

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Josh Mickleborough Director of Engineering

Mark Halpin Staff Liaison; Manager of Transportation

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ABSENT

Pascale Shaw School District No. 42 Board Trustee

Ineke Boekhorst Member at Large

Eric Phillips, Vice Chair, chaired the meeting in the absence of the Chair.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2021-009

It was moved and seconded

That the agenda for the April 28, 2021 Transportation Advisory Committee be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 February 24, 2021 - Regular Meeting

R/2021-010

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Transportation Advisory Committee meeting dated February 23, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

3.2 March 24, 2021 - Special Meeting

R/2021-011

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Transportation Advisory Committee special meeting dated March 24, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 ICBC Road Safety Overview - Kate Woochuk, Road Safety & Community Coordinator

Kate Woochuck provided a presentation on ICBC road safety and community and answered questions from the Committee. Highlights included: top causes for crashes is distracted, speed and impaired, crash map statistics available on ICBC's website, pedestrian safety initiatives, activities and training to support the indigenous community, youth initiatives and back to school awareness.

The Staff Liaison thanked K. Woochuck for the presentation and acknowledged the continued partnership and dedication to supporting municipalities.

Note: Gary Hare joined at 7:35 pm

Note: Kate Wookchuk left at 7:47 pm

Note: Gary Hare presided as Chair at 7:48 pm

4.2 T2050 TransLink – Vincent Gonsalves, Manager Community Relations, TransLink and Caitlin Cooper, Project Manager, TransLink

Caitlin Cooper provided an overview presentation on Transport2050 and highlights included: regional transportation strategies in development to improve transportation for everyone, shifts in transportation due to COVID-19, 2050 trends to create more people first streets for walking safe, benefits and risks of automated vehicles, looking for feedback from public and spoke about survey at transport2050.ca and draft will be shared in fall 2021. The Chair thanked TransLink for their presentation and asked members to please fill out the TransLink survey online.

Note: Vincent Gonsalves and Caitlin Cooper left at 8:12 pm

At this time the Committee discussed the resolution passed at the previous meeting held on March 24, 2021 and Councillor Robson clarified TAC's mandate.

5. **OUESTION PERIOD** - NIL

6. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1. Anti Discrimination Policy

The Committee Clerk noted that the Anti-Discrimination HR policy applies to all employees and volunteers working for the City of Maple Ridge and is to be reviewed and acknowledged by the Committee.

6.2. Respectful Workplace Policy

The Committee Clerk noted that the Respectful Workplace HR policy applies to all employees and volunteers working for the City of Maple Ridge and is to be reviewed and acknowledged by the Committee.

Note: Vijay Soparkar left at 8:34 pm

6.3 Strategic Transportation Plan Project Overview

The Staff Liaison provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Strategic Transportation Plan (STP) project, highlights included: background information on the current STP, the work plan for developing the STP was endorsed by Council on April 13, 2021, overview of the transportation system, the importance of the Committee's role in development of the Plan as the Stakeholder Advisory Committee, public input and engagement survey, project timeline with interim reports to Council to summarize how the plan is developing, next steps to initiate Committee and public engagement before the June 23rd Transportation Advisory Committee.

R/2021-012

It was moved and seconded

That the Transportation Advisory Committee consider a special meeting at end of May 2021 to discuss Phase 2 of the Strategic Transportation Plan.

CARRIED

Jenny Wright OPPOSED

- 7. LIAISON UPDATES
- 7.1 Staff Liaison NIL
- 7.2 Council Liaison NIL
- 8. ROUNDTABLE NIL

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Gary Hare, Chair	



City of Maple Ridge Transportation Advisory Committee SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), held via Zoom teleconference on May 26, 2021 at 7:03 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Gordy Robson Council Liaison
Eric Phillips, Vice Chair Member at Large
Ineke Boekhorst Member at Large

Pascale Shaw School District No. 42 Board Trustee

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark Halpin Staff Liaison; Manager of Transportation

Stephanie Nichols Recording Secretary

<u>ABSENT</u>

Vijay Soparkar Member at Large Jennifer Wright Member at Large

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2.1 Strategic Transportation Plan Phase 2 Development

The Staff Liaison acknowledged that the Chair had recently resigned and that the position would be addressed at the regular meeting scheduled for June 23, 2021.

Mr. Halpin spoke to the purpose of the meeting advising the committee of the public engagement webpage available to the public until Monday, May 31, 2021.

Mr. Halpin introduced the consultant Allison Clavelle, Urban Systems and provided background information on the work plan for the Strategic Transportation Plan (STP) development.

A. Clavelle spoke to the purpose of the Strategic Transportation Plan and provided a detailed presentation which included: project timeline, key transportation issues, infrastructure and network gaps, community engagement, TAC's role in development of the STP, gaps in the network, future project opportunities and infrastructure changes to improve safety. It was noted that 2019 data was used as a baseline due to the impact of COVID in 2020 on transportation.

Mr. Halpin advised that staff are currently working with TransLink to update the Area Transport Plan which will result in more frequency and bus hours. Ms. Clavelle acknowledged that this updated information will be reflected in the final STP.

The Staff Liaison clarified that there is a coordinated regional emerging modes.

After the presentation, the Committee was presented with the following questions and provided the following feedback:

- 1. What are top issues facing Maple Ridge now and into the future?
 - Intersection lighting needs to be upgraded throughout the City;
 - Bike safety training for kids;
 - Bike lane standard throughout City;
 - Increased enforcement of unsafe behaviors of drivers and cyclists;
 - Extension of transit routes throughout the City;
 - Additional charging stations and a standard rates;
 - Walking and wheeling graphics, especially at schools in East Maple Ridge;
 - Additional sidewalks;
 - Increased cycling infrastructure;
 - Park and Ride infrastructure, potentially at the parking lot across from the bus loop;
 - Additional crossing / access to Silver Valley/Fern Crescent.

Mr. Halpin provided a list of stakeholders engaged and advised that a report will be coming to Council in July. Mr. Halpin advised that the ATP is planned for Committee of the Whole on June 15, 2021.

- 2. Understanding that available capital is limited and different types of improvements can benefit different groups and at different intensities... What aspects of the transportation system should be given the highest priority moving forward?
 - Safety and movement of transportation;
 - Encourage walking, manual transportation modes to take more cars off the road;
 - Cost saving and quick solutions;
 - Increased signage throughout the City regarding cycling paths, public parking, how to avoid congestion, etc;
- 3. Thinking about cycling infrastructure overall, what is the relative importance of regional / longer distance connections compared to local neighbourhood connections to community destinations and commercial hubs?
 - Increased cycling infrastructure and encouragement of cycling;
 - Educate the public to get them out of their vehicles and start using other modes of transportation.
- 4. Thinking about cycling infrastructure retrofit to existing roads, what types of cycling infrastructure do you prefer? What is your perspective of the benefits and challenges of different types of infrastructure? Does your perspective change for infrastructure in new neighbourhoods?
 - Defer to cycling experts;
 - Multi-use paths are dangerous for all users, need dedicated lanes;
 - Divided pathways are great;
 - Connect infrastructure paths;
 - Standardization of different aspects on roadways throughout the community.
- 5. What are your thoughts on transit in Maple Ridge and are there areas where you would like to see improvements?
 - Albion / East Maple Ridge
- 6. The previous STP identified new connections and road network improvements for the medium and long terms that will be reconsidered as part of this plan. Which new

connections and / or major roadway capital improvements that should be considered as part of this work?

- Albion streets too narrow due to residents parking on both sides of the street;
- Review of large vehicle movement

Mr. Halpin advised that the Subdivision and Services Bylaw is currently under review

- 7. What should the City consider when planning for emerging trends in transportation such as electric and autonomous vehicles and advancements in micro-mobility?
 - No comments were received

3. QUESTION PERIOD

Steve Ranta

Mr. Ranta asked how GHG reduction goals will fit into the STP and what the larger vision is to move all modes of transportation throughout the City. Mr. Halpin advised that the next phase of the plan will include these details.

Jackie Chow

Ms. Chow asked why horse trails were included in the maps presented? Mr. Halpin advised that the GIS system picked these up on the cycling map layer and that this will be adjusted.

Mr. Halpin spoke to the next steps in the process and advised that over 200 survey responses had been received and the survey is open for another week

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Mark Halpin, Acting-Chair, Staff Liaison

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