THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA TRANSPORTATION STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

TSC 2-2018 Tuesday, May 8, 2018 Council Chamber Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West 1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON

Committee:	Councillors Augustyn, Baty, Joyner, Maloney, Quirk (Committee Chair), Timms, M. Britton (Councillor - St. Catharines), T. Brunet (Councillor - Lincoln), J. Collard (Councillor - Niagara-on-the- Lake), M. A. Grimaldi (Councillor - Welland), R. Huckla (Niagara College Student Administrative Council), C. Knutt (Councillor - Fort Erie), J. Morocco (Councillor - Niagara Falls), D. Wilson (Alderman - Grimsby)
Absent/Regrets:	Caslin (Regional Chair), Hodgson, MacGregor (Committee Vice Chair), Maves, Redekop, T. Bell (Councillor - West Lincoln), R. Bodner (Councillor - Port Colborne), A. Hibma (Brock University Students Union), M. Mazza (Councillor - Niagara-on-the-Lake, S. Paone (Councillor - Thorold), P. Papp (Councillor - Pelham)
Staff:	C. D'Angelo, Chief Administrative Officer, J. Gilston, Legislative Coordinator, AM. Norio, Acting Regional Clerk, C. Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, J. Thompson, Transportation Strategic Projects Lead, R. Tripp, Commissioner, Public Works
Others Present:	M. Bilodeau, Manager of Transportation Engineering, City of Niagara Falls

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Quirk called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

3. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

4. **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

5. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

There were no items for consideration.

6. <u>CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION</u>

6.1 <u>TSC-C 6-2018</u>

Regional Official Plan Amendment 13 Transportation Policies

Moved by D. Wilson Seconded by Councillor Maloney

That Correspondence Item TSC-C 6-2018, being a memorandum from D. Giles, Director, Community and Long Range Planning, dated May 8, 2018, respecting Regional Official Plan Amendment 13 Transportation Policies, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Moved by M. Britton Seconded by Councillor Augustyn

That the motion **BE AMENDED** to add the following clauses:

- 1. That the Policy Section 9.F.2.2 within the existing Official Plan BE INCLUDED in Regional Official Plan Amendment 13; and,
- 2. That Policy Section 9.F.2.2 BE AMENDED to include the following:

Where the Niagara Region Bicycling Network is proposed on a local municipal road **or trails**, the Regional Municipality will be responsible for funding of the bicycling facility, subject to annual review, prioritization, funding limits and Regional Council approval. If these funds are not available **in totality, they may be cost-shared, and** the local municipality is encouraged to seek other funding for the bicycle facilities and if unsuccessful may proceed with capital works without the bicycling facility.

Carried

The following friendly **amendment** was accepted by the Committee Chair, and the mover and seconder of the motion, to amend Clause 2 as follows:

2. That Policy Section 9.F.2.2 **BE AMENDED** to include the following:

Where the Niagara Region Bicycling Network is proposed on a local municipal road or trails, the Regional Municipality will be responsible for *capital* funding of the bicycling facility, subject to annual review, prioritization, funding limits and Regional Council approval. If these funds are not available in totality, they may be cost-shared, and the local municipality is encouraged to seek other funding for the bicycle facilities and if unsuccessful may proceed with capital works without the bicycling facility.

The Committee Chair called the vote on the motion as amended, as follows:

That Correspondence Item TSC-C 6-2018, being a memorandum from D. Giles, Director, Community and Long Range Planning, dated May 8, 2018, respecting Regional Official Plan Amendment 13 Transportation Policies, **BE RECEIVED** for information and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

- 1. That the Policy Section 9.F.2.2 within the existing Official Plan **BE INCLUDED** in Regional Official Plan Amendment 13; and,
- 2. That Policy Section 9.F.2.2 **BE AMENDED** to include the following:

Where the Niagara Region Bicycling Network is proposed on a local municipal road or trails, the Regional Municipality will be responsible for capital funding of the bicycling facility, subject to annual review, prioritization, funding limits and Regional Council approval. If these funds are not available in totality, they may be cost-shared, and the local municipality is encouraged to seek other funding for the bicycle facilities and if unsuccessful may proceed with capital works without the bicycling facility.

A separate vote was taken on Clause 2 as follows:

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Where the Niagara Region Bicycling Network is proposed on a local municipal road or trails, the Regional Municipality will be responsible for capital funding of the bicycling facility, subject to annual review, prioritization, funding limits and Regional Council approval. If these funds are not available in totality, they may be cost-shared, and the local municipality is encouraged to seek other funding for the bicycle facilities and if unsuccessful may proceed with capital works without the bicycling facility.

Carried

A separate vote was taken on Clause 1 as follows:

1. That the Policy Section 9.F.2.2 within the existing Official Plan **BE INCLUDED** in Regional Official Plan Amendment 13.

Carried

Councillor Information Request(s):

Provide information respecting the provisions for bike lanes on local roads in the Transportation policy of the current Official Plan. Councillor Timms.

6.2 <u>PW 18-2018</u>

Environmental Assessment and Preliminary Design-QEW/Glendale Avenue Interchange

Moved by J. Collard Seconded by Councillor Joyner

That Report PW 18-2018, dated April 3, 2018, respecting Environment Assessment and Preliminary Design-QEW/Glendale Avenue Interchange, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

6.3 <u>TSC 1-2018</u>

Transportation Steering Committee Minutes February 13, 2018

Moved by Councillor Baty Seconded by D. Wilson

That Report TSC 1-2018, being the minutes of the Transportation Steering Committee meeting held on February 13, 2018, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 <u>2018 Ontario Bicycle Summit Highlights (April 17-18, 2018, Toronto)</u>

Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, provided a summary of the 2018 Ontario Bicycle Summit held on April 17, 2018.

7.2 Funding Approval - Local Transit Project, Town of Pelham

Councillor Augustyn provided information respecting correspondence received from the Ministry of Transportation pertaining to the approved funding for the Local Transit Project in the Town of Pelham, as part of the Province of Ontario's Community Transportation Grant Program.

A copy of the letter has been attached to these minutes as TSC-C 7-2018.

7.3 Evan's Ride for Autism Event - June 9, 2018

Councillor Joyner announced Evan's Ride for Autism event taking place on June 9, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Smithville.

7.4 Street Pylons for Greek Orthodox Church of St. Katharine - Follow-Up

Mike Britton, Transportation Steering Committee member, requested an update with respect to the possibility of installing street pylons outside the Greek Orthodox Church of St. Katharine, located at 585 Niagara Street, St. Catharines. Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, advised that an update to the Committee would be provided following Regional Staff meeting with City of St. Catharines staff and church representatives.

7.5 Status of Casablanca Boulevard Environmental Assessment

Councillor Quirk requested an update respecting the Casablanca Boulevard environmental assessment. Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, advised that Dillon Consulting Limited was awarded the tender for the environmental assessment, and would provide the Committee with an update pertaining to stakeholder feedback, traffic analysis, and cost estimates for the project to the Committee once complete.

Councillor Joyner enquired whether staff considered car parks and shuttle services for commuters heading north and west towards the planned GO Station in Grimsby, noting a potential location at Regional Road 73 (Mudd Street) and Regional Road 12. Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, advised that she would note the suggestion for the study.

7.6 Bike Lane Installation Status

Councillor Timms requested an update with respect to the installation of bike lanes between Chippawa and Port Robinson. Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, advised that she would provide a follow-up at the Transportation Steering Committee meeting being held on June 19, 2018.

8. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Headquarters.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Councillor Quirk Committee Chair Jonathan Gilston Legislative Coordinator

Ann-Marie Norio Acting Regional Clerk Ministry of Transportation

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His Worship Dave Augustyn Mayor Town of Pelham 20 Pelham Town Square, PO Box 400 Fonthill, ON L0S 1E0

Dear Mayor Augustyn:

I am pleased to write to you to confirm the eligibility of the Local Transit Project that the Town of Pelham submitted for funding under the province's Community Transportation Grant Program ("CT Program"). Based on the ministry's review of the municipality's application for the Project and subject to the conditions set out below, the funding amount approved for the Project is up to \$500,000.

The CT Program will support the government's commitment to assist municipalities throughout the province to provide better transportation options in areas that are currently not served or underserved by public transit and intercommunity bus service.

Before funds are disbursed to the municipality for the Project, the municipality will be required to enter into a transfer payment agreement ("TPA") with the Ministry of Transportation. The TPA will set out the terms and conditions upon which the ministry will provide the funds to the municipality. Please note that non-capital costs incurred on the Project will be eligible for reimbursement as of the date of this letter. Capital costs will be eligible for reimbursement as of the TPA. Please refer to the Program Guidelines for further information.

Ministry officials will contact your staff regarding next steps associated with the CT Program and the TPA. In the meantime, should you have questions, please contact Vinay Sharda, Executive Director, Transit Policy and Programs Group, at <u>Vinay.Sharda@ontario.ca</u> or at 416-585-7347.

I want to thank you in advance for your commitment to the successful delivery of your project(s), and look forward to seeing the results.

Sincerely,

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Kathryn MčGarry Minister



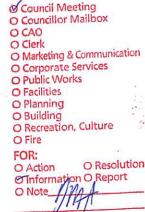
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