



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Transportation Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the Transportation Committee held on Wednesday, July 22, 2020 via Zoom.

Present

Councillor Steve Milani, Chair
Councillor Hunter Madsen, Vice-Chair
Jim Atkinson
Tim Barton
Yolanda Broderick
James Clarke
Darren Hailes
Andrew Hartline
Norbert Haunerland
Lori Holdenried
Scott Kirkpatrick
Jeff McLellan
Nash Milani

Absent

Stephen Judd – Manager of Infrastructure Engineering Services
Kathleen Nadalin (Regrets)
Emma Owen (Regrets)

In Attendance

Vinh Chung – Engineering Technologist (re item 4.1)
Mary De Paoli – Manager of Policy Planning (re item 4.2)
Jennifer Mills – Committee Coordinator
Jeff Moi – General Manager of Engineering and Operations
Laura Sampliner – Sustainability and Energy Coordinator (re item 4.2)
Brian Wong – Constable, Port Moody Police Department

Also in Attendance

Jason Ashfield (re item 4.1)

1. Call to Order

Call to Order

1.1 The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Minutes

2. Adoption of Minutes

2.1 TC20/019

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the minutes of the Transportation Committee meeting held on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 be adopted.

3. Unfinished Business

4. New Business

Delegation – Chineside Traffic Concerns

4.1 Jason Ashfield

Attachments:

- a) Email, Mayor Rob Vagramov, Chineside Traffic Concerns, dated June 30
- b) Email, Vinh Chung, Chineside Traffic Concerns, dated July 6, 2020

File: 01-0360-20-06-01

Jason Ashfield gave a presentation on Chineside Resident Delegation Presentation and the following was noted:

- the existing traffic challenges in the area are related to heavy commuter traffic driving inappropriately and in excess of speed limits, on a steep, wide, inter-municipal collector road;
- the traffic and speed calming options are limited due to Moray Street being designated as an emergency route;
- the residents of the area are concerned with the effectiveness of current safety measures and how safety will be impacted with upcoming redevelopments increasing the amount of pedestrians and vehicles in the area; and
- the residents of the area are requesting additional speed and traffic calming measures such as a further reduction of speed limits and crosswalk safety improvements.

The General Manager of Engineering and Operations noted the following in response to the Presentation:

- the Traffic Review and Coordination Group (TRAC) is continuing to develop options to address the concerns in the area, such as re-painting Moray Street, and will provide an update once a plan is confirmed;

- the challenges associated with setting up the traffic monitoring equipment on steep streets and the inconsistencies in traffic patterns due to COVID-19 have impacted the traffic speed and volume data collection;
- the speed reader boards collect information which can be downloaded and shared with the Committee;
- the Traffic Calming Policy provides the framework for undertaking a traffic calming project to a specific area; and
- the upcoming improvements to the area could include painting, traffic signal changes, intersection revisions, repaving, street parking revisions, or a southbound uphill bike lane.

The Constable, Port Moody Police Department noted the following in response to the Presentation:

- the speed trailer cannot be set up for speed monitoring at the entrance to Moray Street as it must be parked on a flat surface; however, the presence of the speed trailer alone results in drivers reducing speeds;
- the Port Moody Police Department ticketed 63 offenders on Moray Street in the last year, with only one ticket for excessive speeding; and
- the accidents in the area usually occur at the intersection of Moray Street and St. Johns Street.

The Committee noted the following in response to the Presentation:

- the northside entrance to Moray Street could be landscaped to make the entrance feel narrower and change the driver's mentality when exiting a major road such as St. Johns;
- the traffic signal could be visually obscured so that northbound driver's on Moray Street cannot see what colour the signal is to deter them from speeding up to catch the green light;
- the entrance and exits to buildings in the area could be reviewed for improvements;
- the practice of promoting pedestrian priority routes as traffic calming measures could be explored;
- the intersection of Pinda Drive and Moray Street should have a crosswalk as Committee members felt this intersection meets the requirements of a safe route to school under the Traffic Calming Policy; and
- the intersection of Moray Street and St. Johns could be revised to restrict right turns on a red light.

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Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT City staff continue to explore options for traffic improvements on Moray Street with the upcoming pavement rehabilitation works, including provisions for an uphill bike lane as feasible;

AND THAT the Transportation Committee receive an update regarding traffic monitoring following the completion of the work.

(Voting against: Tim Barton)

Mr. Ashfield and the Engineering Technologist left the meeting at this point and did not return.

**Sustainability Report
Card Review**

4.2 Presentation: Laura Sampliner, Sustainability and Energy Coordinator, and Mary De Paoli, Manager of Policy Planning Attachments:

- a) Sustainability Report Card – 2020 Review
- b) Sustainability Report Card – Mixed Use

File: 01-0360-20-06-01

The Sustainability and Energy Coordinator and the Manager of Policy Planning gave a presentation on Sustainability Report Card – 2020 Review and the following was noted:

- the Sustainability Report Card is a tool that the City uses to determine the sustainability of development applications;
- the four Sustainability Pillars for Port Moody are Environmental, Social, Cultural, and Economic;
- the Report Card is an important tool in creating sustainable communities and is a requirement for rezoning, development permit, and heritage alternation permit applications; and
- the Report Card is intended to be a continuous improvement process which will adapt with new requirements, experiences, and changes to development approval process.

The Sustainability and Energy Coordinator requested Committee members' feedback on the Report Card and the following was noted:

- the process could include a verification step to confirm that the design elements outlined in the application were incorporated in the construction;
- the transportation and building emission factors related to the climate emergency could be reviewed and integrated into the Report Card; and

- the Report Card could include a section for applicants to develop creative sustainability options and could prevent applicants from manipulating the Report Card to achieve the minimum requirements.

The Sustainability and Energy Coordinator and the Manager of Policy Planning left the meeting at this point and did not return.

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Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the meeting be extended for up to 30 minutes.

Multi-Use Paths

4.3 Presentation: Scott Kirkpatrick, HUB

Scott Kirkpatrick gave presentation on Mixed-Use Paths and the following was noted:

- the choice of mixed-use paths over dedicated cycling paths in city infrastructure can be due to financial, geographical, or legislative constraints;
- the mixed-use paths designed for all ages and abilities can create a dangerous environment when high volumes of each user group are present; and
- the utilization of bimodal paths, which separate path users by mode, can reduce conflicts and create a safer user experience for all.

The Committee noted the following in response to the Mixed-Use Paths presentation:

- the existing design on the southside of the Shoreline Trail, where there is no path in the middle, creates conflicts between pedestrians and cyclists;
- the “cyclists must yield to pedestrians” signage encourages a pedestrian-dominant environment;
- the data from Strava could help inform the locations and types of cycling infrastructure required in Port Moody; and
- the trail network could be reviewed to ensure that connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists is achieved and to inform a more cohesive design.

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Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the presentation from HUB regarding Multi-Use Paths be received for information and HUB be thanked for the presentation and their ongoing support in Port Moody.

5. Information

COVID-19 Discussion Update

5.1 Verbal Report: Jeff Moi, General Manager of Engineering and Operations

The General Manager of Engineering and Operations provided an update regarding the Slow Zones and Road Reallocation projects and advised that Council supported the Transportation Committee's report at the June 23, 2020 Special Council meetings and has directed staff to report back at the July 28, 2020 Special Council meeting.

The General Manager of Engineering and Operations further advised that staff will be recommending the implementation of temporary slow zones in three different areas of St. George Street to address traffic volume concerns.

Impaired 2020 Campaign

5.2 Attachment: ICBC Impaired 2020 Campaign – Stakeholder Package

This information was provided for information only.

6. Adjournment

6.1 The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:33pm.



Councillor Steve Milani,
Chair



Jennifer Mills,
Committee Coordinator