

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**City Clerk's Office**

**Minutes of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee**

**Meeting 12**

**Monday July 14, 2008**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee met on Monday, July 14, 2008, in Committee Room 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall, Toronto, commencing at 3:05 p.m.

**\*Members Present:**

3:05 p.m. – 5:05 p.m.

Councillor Bill Saundercook, Co-Chair	X
Dylan Reid, Co-Chair	X
Councillor Karen Stintz	X
Matthew Blackett	X
Roger Brook	X
Greg Crompton	X
Margaret Hastings-James	X
Sean Marshall	X
Beth Milroy	X
Fred Sztabinski	X
Stephanie Tencer	X
Elizabeth Walker	X

\* Members were present for some or all of the time indicated.

**Regrets:**

Laurel Fortin  
Trustee Catherine LeBlanc-Miller, Toronto Catholic District School Board  
Shawn Micallef  
Jennifer Niece  
Peter Tesar  
Trustee Josh Matlow, Toronto District School Board

**Staff Present:**

Daniel Egan, Manager, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure,  
Transportation Services  
Lisa Ing, Transportation Coordinator, Pedestrian and Cycling  
Infrastructure, Transportation Services  
Jennifer Hyland, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services  
Pauline Craig, Assistant Planner, City Planning - Transportation

Dylan Reid, assumed the Chair.

**Declarations of Interest**

None declared.

**Confirmation of Minutes – June 17, 2008**

On motion by Beth Milroy, the minutes of the meeting of the Toronto Pedestrian Committee held on June 17, 2008, were confirmed.

**12.1 Toronto Rehabilitation Institute – Pedestrian Safety in Winter**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee heard a power point presentation by Yue Li and Jennifer Hsu, iDAPT Research and Development Technology Team, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, on “Pedestrian Safety in Winter”. A copy of the presentation was circulated to members of the Committee.

On motion by Councillor Saundercook, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee recommended to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee that:

1. the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee hear a power point presentation by the iDAPT Research and Development Technology Team, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, on “Pedestrian Safety in Winter”;
2. the General Manager, Transportation Services, be requested to study a few existing raised intersections in the 2008-2009 winter season so that the City can collect some data on the effect of raised intersections on pedestrian safety and comfort during winter; and
3. the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with the iDAPT Research and Development Technology Team, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, be requested to identify an intersection for a pilot project in the near future.

(Public Works and Infrastructure Committee; Yue Li and Jennifer Hse, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, iDAPT Research and Development Technology Team – July 15, 2008)

**12.2 Roncesvalles Avenue – Streetscape Improvements Class Environmental Assessment Study – Schedule ‘B’ Notice of Public Open House**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered a communication (June 18, 2008) from John P. Kelly, Manager, Infrastructure Planning, advising that Transportation Services Division of the City of Toronto will be holding a public open house on Wednesday, July 9, 2008 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

On motion by Dylan Reid, Co-Chair, the Toronto Pedestrian Committee deferred this item to the September 16, 2008 meeting for a staff presentation.

**12.3 Staff Update on Plans for Walking Month**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee received, for information, the “Walking Celebration Outline” and staff update on City of Toronto Plans for Walking Month, from Jennifer Hyland, Transportation Planner, Pedestrian and Cycling Infrastructure, Transportation Services.

**12.4 Update from Committee Members**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee received, for information:

- a. a power point presentation from Matthew Blackett on pedestrian initiatives and issues which he observed while he was in the United States of America;
- b. a verbal update from Roger Brooks on the closure of the Jamieson Avenue Bridge during the summer; and
- c. a power point presentation from Dylan Reid, Co-Chair, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, on pedestrian initiatives and issues which he observed while he was in Europe.

**12.5 Collision Summary Leaflets**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered the following from Transportation Services, Traffic Management Centre, Traffic Safety Unit:

- a. Injury Collision Summary Leaflet presenting an analysis of persons injured in collisions to May 31, 2008 showing relevant facts and trends.

- b. Fatal Collision Summary Leaflet presenting an analysis of fatal collisions to May 31, 2008 showing relevant facts and trends.

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee received, for information, the Injury Collision Summary Leaflet and the Fatal Collision Summary Leaflet, from Transportation Services, Traffic Management Centre, Traffic Safety Unit.

## **12.6 Sidewalk Snow Removal**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered a communication (June 20, 2008) from William E. Brown, addressed to the Manager, Road Operations, Transportation Services, regarding sidewalk snow removal.

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee received, for information, the communication from William E. Brown.

(Mr. William E. Brown – July 30, 2008)

## **12.7 Problems created for Pedestrians by Cars Parking in City Parks and Bicycle Paths on Canada Day.**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered a communication (July 2, 2008) from Anthony M. Humphreys, advising that the parking of cars in City Parks and Bicycle Paths and the lack of parking enforcement and traffic control, created problems for pedestrians on Canada Day.

The Committee also considered a further communication (July 7, 2008) from Anthony M. Humphreys.

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee received, for information, the communications from Anthony M. Humphreys.

(Mr. Anthony M. Humphreys – July 30, 2008)

## **12.8 Vibrant Street Guidelines - Minimum Width of Sidewalks and Hindrance by Street Furniture**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee considered a communication (July 9, 2008) from Nicholas Provart, addressed to Dylan Reid, Co-Chair, Toronto Pedestrian Committee, thanking the Toronto Pedestrian Committee for their efforts in helping to move the pay and display machines on Willcocks Street and Huron Street so that they are not obstructing the sidewalk.

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The Toronto Pedestrian Committee received, for information, the communication (July 9, 2008) from Nicholas Provart, and thanked him for writing to the Committee.

(Mr. Nicholas Provart – July 30, 2008)

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee adjourned its meeting at 5:05 p.m.

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