HAMILTON CYCLING COMMITTEE (HCyC) MINUTES
Wednesday, March 7, 2012
5:30 p.m.
Room 192, 1st Floor
City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present:
Chair: Andrea Kita
Vice-All: Marc Risdale
Members: Sharon Gibbons, Brian Chewter, Roger Tupper, Tyler Shepherd, Pauline McKinley, Bob Corsini, Bob Brown, Brad Tyleman

Absent with Regrets:
Chris Hastings, Brad Stapleton, Walter Furlan, Marisa Di Censo, Jordan Fysh, Councillor McHattie

Also Present:
Daryl Bender – PW staff
Justin Readman – PW staff, RT (Rapid Transit)
Peter Topalovic – PW staff, TDM (Transportation Demand Management)

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/INTRODUCTIONS

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
none

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
(Moved/Seconded)
3.1 HCyC meeting minutes, dated Feb. 1, 2012 were approved as amended.
CARRIED

4. CONSENT ITEMS
none

5. PRESENTATIONS
none
6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Correspondence:
- LRT information was described by Justin. The committee is considering additional formal communication.
- **Daryl to follow-up with questions raised by the HCyC on the issue of “chip & tar” rural road resurfacing.**
- Paved shoulders – A report is being prepared describing the City’s opinion on paved shoulders. The committee members look forward to reviewing this report.

6.2 Special Projects:
- TDM initiatives in Hamilton – Peter described the preferred option to create short-term enclosed bike parking at City Hall. Instead of a less reliable coin-operated design, the plan is a locker that is locked by the cyclist’s own U-lock. The members also received an update on the City’s pursuit of a BIXI-type bike share program.

6.3 Education
- **Can-Bike** – the HCyC looks forward to Can-Bike classes offered this spring through the City Recreation Division. Feedback from the February meeting was shared with appropriate City staff responsible. Promotion of the CAN-Bike classes is in the Spring Recreation Guide and about to be posted on the City’s new webpage [www.hamilton.ca/CyclingEducation](http://www.hamilton.ca/CyclingEducation).
- **Car magnets** – committee members reviewed the modified car magnet design and supported the modification. Daryl is to proceed with ordering a combination of car magnets (2100) & car bumper stickers (1200).
- **Cycling safety advertising** – on-street advertising of the message “Share the Road… everywhere”. The committee is proceeding to arrange an ad campaign on the back of HSR busses (7 busses for 4 weeks). **Daryl to provide images to the advertising company** so they can be finalized and be on the busses by mid May. The ads/posters should be durable to be reusable in future years. **Daryl to investigate the possibility of additional PR through media and other community distribution.**

6.4 Promotion
- **Tourism Award** – the HCyC received an Honourable Mention at the Awards Banquet for their new pamphlet “Cycling Hamilton: Waterfalls & Vistas”. Sharon accepted the award (Marisa and Daryl attended as well). **Daryl to have more of the pamphlets printed as per the approved HCyC budget.**
- **Bike-to-Work Day** is set for Monday, May 28, 2012
- **HCyC info booth** – the booth at the Toronto International Bike Show was a success – thanks to the volunteers. Approximately 1200 Hamilton maps were distributed along with other cycling safety info and Hamilton Tourism materials including War of 1812 “Pathways to Peace” promotion. Feedback from people who visited the booth was
discussed and flagged for action. Roger arranging a meeting to plan formal bike parking at Battlefield Park for the annual War of 1812 re-enactment in June.

6.5 Budget
- Cycling Volunteer Committee account was approved at General Issues Committee
- Capital accounts – no updates

6.6 Planning
- Members were reminded of the following studies: the Pedestrian Mobility Plan, Hwy 8 Greensville EA, Waterdown Rd, Strathcona, and ROPA9.

6.7 Project Updates
- Lift Bridge – Members were informed that the City of Burlington recently sent a letter (Jan 31, 2012) to the Federal Minister of Public Works stating Burlington’s desire that a lake-side multi-use crossing of the lift bridge be part of the currently planned rehabilitation work.

6.8 Maintenance
- The winter maintenance pilot of bike lanes is continuing.

7. GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 The West-end-of-Lake-Ontario-Cycling-Committees meeting is expected to be held in May.

8. ADJOURNMENT

(Moved/Seconded)
That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Toronto Bike Show Feedback
- Nice pedestrian/cycling bridge over the QEW!
- City staff to contact a West Mountain resident about creating a BMX track in Hamilton
- A number of people asking about mountain bike trails and mapping in Hamilton
- On the City bike map, improve the icon indicating parking lots along trails
- Add signage where the RHV Trail splits at Brampton (for all 3 directions – N, S, & E)
- Encourage Haldimand County to extend the Chippawa Trail southerly
- Improve the access/identification of the Chippawa Trail at Stone Church Rd
- Add routing signage on Glancaster to help cyclists navigate these angled roads
- Add lighting and asphalt on the Chedoke Radial Rail Trail
- Improve signage/markings where the Hamilton-Brantford RT crosses Old Dundas Rd
- A well defined east-west route is needed north of King/Main (Cannon as per the CMP)
- More directional signage on Cochrane is needed north of Lawrence
- Add names to the Hamilton Cycling email Contact List