



Town of Aurora
Trails and Active Transportation Committee
Meeting Minutes

Date: Friday, April 20, 2018

Time and Location: 10 a.m., Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Councillor Tom Mrakas (Chair), Councillor Sandra Humfries (arrived 10:42 a.m.), Alison Collins-Mrakas, Richard Doust (PRCSAC Representative), Laura Lueloff, and Nancee Webb (EAC Representative)

Members Absent: Bill Fraser

Other Attendees: Sara Tienkamp, Parks Manager, Gary Greidanus, Senior Landscape Architect, Lawrence Kuk, Senior Planner, Michael Bat, Transportation Analyst, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Laura Lueloff
Seconded by Richard Doust

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, with the following addition, be approved:

- Delegation (a) Ron Weese; Re: Proposed Open Trails Event

**On a two-thirds vote the motion
Carried**

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50.*

3. Receipt of the Minutes

Trails and Active Transportation Meeting Committee Minutes of November 17, 2017

Moved by Nancee Webb

Seconded by Richard Doust

That the Trails and Active Transportation Committee meeting minutes of November 17, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

4. Delegations

(a) Ron Weese, Chair and Executive Director, Activate Aurora

Re: Proposed Open Trails Event

Mr. Weese presented a brief overview of a proposed concept to raise the awareness and understanding of the Town's trails system through a variety of activities including cycling, such as inspirational and educational programs, and interpretive studies. He invited members of the Committee to consider working with the Activate Aurora team in developing this new event.

Moved by Nancee Webb

Seconded by Laura Lueloff

That the comments of the delegation be received for information.

Carried

5. Matters for Consideration

1. Memorandum from Senior Landscape Architect

Re: Trailhead Parking – BG Properties (Aurora) Inc.

Staff provided an overview of the memorandum and Concept Plan options for the location of the Trailhead Parking Area.

The Committee and staff reviewed and discussed the pros and cons of the location options. Staff agreed to provide further detailed information and arrange for communications with residents.

Moved by Nancee Webb

Seconded by Richard Doust

1. That the memorandum regarding Trailhead Parking – BG Properties (Aurora) Inc. be received; and
2. **That the comments of the Trails and Active Transportation Committee be received and referred to staff for consideration and action as appropriate.**

Carried as amended

6. Informational Items

2. Extract from Council Meeting of January 30, 2018

Re: Trails and Active Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes of November 17, 2017

Moved by Alison Collins-Mrakas

Seconded by Laura Lueloff

1. That the Extract from Council Meeting of January 30, 2018, regarding the Trails and Active Transportation Committee meeting minutes of November 17, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

3. Extract from Council Meeting of February 13, 2018

Re: Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2018-01; Re: Trails and Active Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes of November 17, 2017

Moved by Richard Doust

Seconded by Nancee Webb

1. That the Extract from Council Meeting of February 13, 2018, regarding Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2018-01; Re: Trails

and Active Transportation Committee meeting minutes of November 17, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

7. New Business

The Committee inquired about the plans for a status report regarding the proposed trail crossing on Wellington Street East at John West Way. Staff provided an update and noted that further details from the consultant may be available for the June Committee meeting.

The Committee inquired about the status of the trails system in the 2C lands and suggested that area residents be kept informed. Staff provided an update and noted that project status updates could be made available on the Town's website.

The Committee noted that many drivers are failing to stop at stop signs in the Hartwell Way bridge area, noting that it is a high traffic area for children attending Rick Hansen Public School. The Committee expressed safety concerns and suggested that lines be painted on the road to indicate pedestrian crossings and raise awareness of the stop signs. Staff agreed to investigate the matter and report back to the Committee.

The Committee referred to the delegation by Ron Weese regarding a proposed Open Trails event, and Nancee Webb and Laura Lueloff volunteered to assist the Activate Aurora team in the development of the event.

The Vice Chair noted that the grades six and seven students from Regency Acres Public School have designed a dog park for the Highland Gate lands, and the students plan to present their proposal to Council and a future Committee meeting.

The Chair referred to a recent Application for Draft Plan of Subdivision for the Stronach South Wellington Lands, which was considered at the March 2018 Public Planning meeting, and inquired about the opportunity for the Committee to provide input to the development of the trails within the application. Staff indicated that information should be available for the June Committee meeting.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Humfryes

Seconded by Richard Doust

That the meeting be adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Carried

Committee recommendations are not binding on the Town unless otherwise adopted by Council.