

A meeting of the **Environment and Transportation Standing Committee** is held this day commencing at 4:30 o'clock p.m. in Council Chambers there being present the following members:

Present: Councillor Halberstadt (Acting Chair)
Councillor Sleiman
Councillor Valentinis

Absent: Councillor Hatfield
Councillor Payne

Also present are the following from Administration:

Mario Sonego, City Engineer
Mike Palanacki, Executive Director of Operations
France Isabelle-Tunks, Senior Manager of Development & Geomatics
Wes Hicks, Senior Manager of Infrastructure & Transportation Planning/
Deputy City Engineer
Josette Eugenie, Manager, Transportation Planning
Jane He, Engineer III
Karina Richters, Environmental Coordinator
Tom Graziano, Project Administrator
Federica Nazanni, Your Quick Gateway (Windsor) Inc. Airport General Manager

Also present are the following guests:

Stan Taylor, Director of Source Water Protection, Essex Region Conservation Authority
Jeremy Wychreschuk, Director of Watershed Engineering, Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA) (available for questions)
Mark Lindquist, Chair, Windsor Bicycling Committee (available for questions)

1. Call to Order

The Deputy City Clerk calls the meeting to order at 4:30 o'clock p.m.

The Deputy City Clerk calls for nominations from the floor for the position of Chair for the Environment and Transportation Standing Committee. Councillor Sleiman suggests that election of Chair be postponed to the next meeting of the Environment and Transportation Standing Committee. The Deputy City Clerk inquires if there are any objections, seeing none Councillor Halberstadt volunteers to be Acting Chair for the meeting.

Councillor Halberstadt assumes the position of Acting Chair.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None.

3. Requests for Deferrals, Referrals or Withdrawals

None requested.

4. Presentations

**Essex Region Source Protection Plan Process – Updated Assessment Report,
May 2011**

Stan Taylor, Director of Source Water Protection, Watershed Engineering, Essex Region Conservation Authority, appears before the Committee and provides an overview of source water protection; What is Source Water Protection; Multi-Barrier Approach; Source Water Protection Committee; Water Treatment Plants and Service Areas; Source Protection Timelines; Vulnerable Areas; Intake Protection Zones; What is an Intake Protection Zone – 3; Vulnerability scores for Windsor (A.H. Weeks) Intakes; and Potential Drinking Water Threats to Windsor.

Item 2 - Update Pilot Heat Alert and Response System (HARS)

Karina Richters, Environmental Coordinator, appears before the Environment and Transportation Standing Committee and provides an overview of the Stay Cool Windsor-Essex Heat Alert and Response Plan; Statistics from around the world; Health Canada's Heat Resiliency Project a 3-year research program with 5 themes; Highlights of the pilot project; Climate projections for heat; Extreme heat and the risk of heat illnesses; Review of heat response plans for other municipalities; Heat levels; and awareness materials.

Councillor Valentinis inquires if the human body can adapt to the heat as the temperatures increase.

K. Richters notes that the body will adapt to a certain degree, and notes that other countries may have the extreme heat without the humidity.

Councillor Sleiman notes that in some areas that experience dry heat people are able to adapt easier, and questions if our area can adapt easier, or are we excessively dependent on air conditioning.

K. Richters notes that our society needs to adapt to the heat over time, that air conditioning is a factor in our society, and that once we experience heat we move inside to an air conditioned building.

Councillor Halberstadt asks what the community can do to decrease the tripling of hot days by 2080.

K. Richters states that planting more trees can assist in decreasing the number of hot days.

Councillor Halberstadt states that residents are asked to call 211; would it be more beneficial to have residents call 311?

K. Richters explains that 211 is regional based, and for this reason residents have been asked to call 211.

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,
ETSC 1/11 That the report of the City Engineer dated April, 19, 2011 entitled
"Update Pilot Heat Alert and Response System (HARS) **BE RECEIVED**
FOR INFORMATION.

Carried.

5. Business Items

Item 4 Detroit River – Shoreline Assessment

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,
ETSC2/11 That Council **APPROVE** the transfer of capital funds in the amount of
\$10,000.00 in order to participate in the Detroit River Shoreline Assessment Study, from project
7082010 - Prado Place - Riverside to Wyandotte.

Carried.

Windsor Bicycling Committee Report No. 49, 50, and 51

Mark Lindquist the Chair of the Windsor Bicycling Committee appears before the Environment and Transportation Standing Committee, to speak in support of committee reports Nos. 49, 50 and 51, stating that the Windsor Bicycling Committee is committed to the improvement of bicycle plans, and suggests that as recommended in the Bicycle Use Master Plan (BUMP) that all road projects should include bike paths. M. Linquist concludes by requesting that the Windsor Bicycling Committee recommendations be considered.

Councillor Valentinis asks if the Windsor Bicycling Committee has a definite number as to how many parking posts and rings are required on Ottawa street.

M. Lindquist states that the Windsor Bicycling Committee is asking for as many that would be feasible.

Councillor Sleiman states that he sees a number of cyclists using the sidewalks, and asks if the Windsor Bicycling Committee conducted a study to determine how to make bike lanes safe for cyclists.

M. Lindquist states that there are not as many accidents if you have bicycle paths, and that cyclists need to be educated to ensure their safety.

Councillor Halberstadt, regarding the three committee reports asks Administration about the feasibility of approving the recommendations of the Windsor Bicycling Committee.

Josette Eugenie, Manager, Transportation Planning states that the request for bicycle lanes from Sunset Avenue to Campbell Street is a possibility. The Wyandotte Street East Beautification project is an initiative respecting medians.

Councillor Halberstadt states that Wyandotte Street East and West are identified in Bicycle Use Master Plan (BUMP).

J. Eugenie concurs with Councillor Halberstadts statement.

Mario Sonogo, City Engineer suggests that wording in Report Nos. 49, 50 and 51 be changed "to be recommended for consideration", so that administration can consider the committee reports when reviewing the project.

Councillor Halberstadt suggests that when the recommendations of the Windsor Bicycling Committee are considered by Administration, could a report come back to the Environment and Transportation Standing Committee as to the reasons for the denial of the request.

M. Sonogo states that Administration could provide a report regarding the requests.

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,
ETSC3/11 That the Windsor Bicycling Committee recommends that bicycle lanes and bike parking posts and rings **BE RECOMMENDED FOR CONSIDERATION** in each of the following two Public Works projects, Wyandotte Street West (Sunset to Campbell streets) and Wyandotte Street East Beautification Project.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,
ETSC4/11 That bicycle amenities **BE RECOMMENDED FOR CONSIDERATION** in the Ottawa Street rehabilitation project including and not limited to the application or installation of posts and rings, bike parking, and share road signs including the outlining of sharrow lanes.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,
ETSC5/11 That the Bike Lanes previously designated for inclusion on Erie Street according to B.U.M.P. **BE RECOMMENDED FOR CONSIDERATION** to **BE RELOCATED** on Giles Street East, easterly between Ouellette Avenue and Lincoln Road and westerly between Ouellette Avenue and Janette Boulevard.

Carried.

Item 1 Provincial/Division Road Drainage Study and Storm and Sanitary Sewer Functional Design

Councillor Valentins asks if the \$17,752,000.00 will be used to reconstruct ditches only.

Jane He, Engineer III states that there will be 9 phases for the 10 to 15 year project, and that Council approved phase 1.

M. Sonogo confirms that this is a multiphase and multiyear project.

Councillor Sleiman asks about the life expectancy of the storm and sanitary sewers once redone.

M. Sonogo states that once work is completed, the finished product should sustain for 75 to 100 years.

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,
ETSC6/11 That the report of Provincial/Division Road Drainage Study and Storm and Sanitary Sewer Functional Design, completed by AECOM, dated May 18, 2011,
BE RECEIVED for information; and

That the recommended works **BE REFERRED** to the future capital budget process and used when planning road construction as approved by the Provincial/Division Road Environmental Assessment report.

Carried.

Item 3 MRO Service Hangar, Project Charter

Councillor Valentinis asks if our grant could be jeopardized due to the inclement weather.

Tom Graziano, Project Administrator indicates that the deadline of March 31, 2011 has passed therefore it will not jeopardize the grant.

Councillor Valentinis asks what the City of Windsor agreement states.

T. Graziano states that the agreement stipulates that due to inclement weather the Corporation could ask for an extension to the deadline.

Councillor Sleiman asks how the inclement weather affects the project status, and if the Corporation has the authority to mandate 3 shifts.

France Isabelle-Tunks, Senior Manager of Development & Geomatics, explains that it depends on the contract wording, and reassures the Committee that the project is currently on track.

Councillor Halberstadt asks that the Environment and Transportation Standing Committee receive quarterly updates on the project.

F. Isabelle-Tunks, states that there will be a project update in the summer months as well as in the fall.

Moved by Councillor Sleiman, seconded by Councillor Valentinis,
ETSC 7/11 I. That the Environmental and Transportation Standing Committee
APPROVE the Project Charter dated May 2, 2011 for the new Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul
(MRO) Service Hangar facility at YQG Airport, attached as Appendix A; and

II. That the MRO Project Charter be **RECOMMENDED** to City Council
for **APPROVAL**.
Carried.

Item 5 Annexed Lands Master Drainage Plan – Project Resumption

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,
ETSC 8/11 I. That **APPROVAL BE GIVEN** to proceed with the preparation of a Class
Environmental Assessment for the drainage plan for the lands annexed by the City from the Town
of Tecumseh.

II. That the Essex Region Conservation Authority **BE REQUESTED** to
continue to act as the City's agent in the preparation of the Annexed Lands Master Drainage Plan.

III. That **APPROVAL BE GIVEN** to undertake an expenditure of \$190,000
for increased project cost for preparation of the Annexed Lands Master Drainage Plan, to be
funded from Project ID# 7076102 Sandwich South (formerly Tecumseh) Lands Servicing.
Carried.


6. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Environment and Transportation Standing Committee will be
held on June 22, 2011 at 4:30 o'clock a.m. in Council Chambers.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 6:30 o'clock p.m.


ACTING CHAIR


DEPUTY CITY CLERK