

**Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting**

**Date: Wednesday, March 20, 2019**

**Time: 4:30 o'clock p.m.**

**Members Present:**

**Councillors**

Ward 1 - Councillor Francis

Ward 2 - Councillor Costante

Ward 4 - Councillor Holt (Chairperson)

Ward 8 - Councillor Kaschak

Ward 9 - Councillor McKenzie

**Also present are the following from Administration:**

Mark Winterton, City Engineer

Pat Delmore, Executive Director of Transit Windsor

Josette Eugeni, Manager, Transportation Planning

Anna Ciacelli, Supervisor of Council Services

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson calls the meeting of the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee to order at 4:33 o'clock p.m.

### 2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None disclosed.

### 3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ETPS STANDING COMMITTEE

#### 3.1. Adoption of the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee minutes of its meeting held November 21, 2018

Moved by: Councillor Francis  
Seconded by: Councillor Costante

THAT the Minutes of the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee meeting (excluding Transit matter items) held November 21, 2018 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.  
Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Francis  
Seconded by: Councillor Costante

THAT the Minutes of the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee meeting (Transit matter items only) held November 21, 2018 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.  
Carried.

Report Number: SCM 69/2019

### 4. REQUEST FOR DEFERRALS, REFERRALS OR WITHDRAWALS

None.

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### 5. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

### 6. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

See Item 8.1, and 8.2.

### 7. COMMITTEE MATTERS

None.

### 8. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

#### 8.1. Labelle Street / Northway Avenue Pedestrian Crossing - WARD 10

##### **Tony Ardovini, resident of Ward 10**

Tony Ardovini, resident of Ward 10 appears before the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting and expresses concern with the administrative recommendation in the report Labelle Street/Northway Avenue Pedestrian Crossing – Ward 10 specifically with the financial investment required to implement the proposed changes that weren't included in the report as follows: relocation of utilities and removal of trees. He adds that the residents in the area will lose parking and currently deal with speeding and illegal stopping or parking due to the school drop offs. Mr. Ardovini adds that increased enforcement should help and that he supports the installation of a pedestrian crossover West of Northway.

##### **Vittorio Liburdi, resident of Ward 10**

Vittorio Liburdi, resident of Ward 10 appears before the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting and expresses concern with the administrative recommendation in the report Labelle Street/Northway Avenue Pedestrian Crossing – Ward 10 and indicates that a sidewalk on the south side of Labelle would be detrimental to the residents in the area. Mr. Liburdi adds that they have requested a crossing guard to enhance safety in the area and it was denied. Mr. Liburdi urges the committee not to approve the recommendation in the report.

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### **Dan Murphy, resident of Ward 10**

Dan Murphy, resident of Ward 10 appears before the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting and expresses concern with the administrative recommendation in the report Labelle Street/Northway Avenue Pedestrian Crossing – Ward 10 and indicates that the recent expansion of the school has caused more congestion on the street, people littering, safety concerns and he is opposed to the installation of sidewalks in the area.

### **Carlin Miller, resident of Ward 10**

Carlin Miller, resident of Ward 10 appears before the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting in support of the administrative recommendation in the report Labelle Street/Northway Avenue Pedestrian Crossing – Ward 10 and indicates that her children can't walk the short distance to school as there is too much traffic and it is very dangerous as they have to walk on the street. Ms. Miller reiterates the statistics provided by administration in the report regarding how many people cross at the proposed crossing intersection. Ms. Miller concludes by indicating that there is poor visibility on the road with a curve and adding transit busses as well as school busses causes many safety concerns and urges the Committee to adopt the administrative recommendation.

### **Andrew Stannard, resident of Ward 10**

Andrew Stannard, resident of Ward 10 appears before the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting and expresses concern regarding the administrative recommendation in the report Labelle Street/Northway Avenue Pedestrian Crossing – Ward 10 and urges administration and the committee to recommend a meeting with the residents, City administration, transit staff, school administration, and the school board as the issue in the area is bigger than just sidewalks; and a detailed plan should be developed to address all the concerns in the area. Mr. Stannard indicates he supports a cross walk although he's opposed to installation of sidewalks. Mr. Stannard concludes by suggesting that sidewalks will disrupt driveways add to the parking issues and cause other safety concerns with residents backing out of their driveways and urges the school to incorporate the parking behind the school for a drop off area.

### **Stephanie Frey, resident of Ward 10; and Sherry Frey, interested party**

Stephanie Frey, resident of Ward 10; and Sherry Frey, interested party appear before the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting in support of the administrative recommendation in the report Labelle Street/Northway Avenue Pedestrian Crossing – Ward 10 and conclude by suggesting it is unsafe for children and residents/visitors to the area to walk on the road and urges the committee to consider moving the transit bus route off of Labelle and installing the pedestrian crossover.

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### Chris Pillon, Principal, Ecole Bellewood

Chris Pillon, Principal, Ecole Bellewood appears before the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting regarding the administrative report Labelle Street/Northway Avenue Pedestrian Crossing – Ward 10 and is available for questions.

Councillor Kaschak asks Ms. Carlin to reiterate her position. Mr. Carlin indicates she is in support of the sidewalks and request that no parking on Northway be introduced, if this happens then the sidewalk may not be necessary. Mr. Carlin adds that the committee should consider moving the City transit bus route over one block.

Councillor Kaschak inquires as to what the impact the sidewalks would have on Mr. Stannard's property. Mr. Stannard indicates that if sidewalks were installed he couldn't park one car in his driveway. Mr. Stannard adds that other things such as parking, transit and bus drop off areas should be considered at the location as well as considering no left hand turns into the school drop off zone.

Councillor Costante inquires as to how Mr. Pillon, would try to mitigate these problems. Mr. Pillon indicates that he would start by requesting that no left turn signs be erected into his school drop off zone where California meets up with Labelle. Mr. Pillon adds that the area behind the school is not the school's property it belongs to the City. Mr. Pillon has already rerouted school bus routes to ensure all busses are moving in one direction. Mr. Pillon also indicates they have been educating their parents and students regarding drop off in the area. Mr. Pillon adds that he is in favour of sidewalks in the area and suggests that it would relieve some congestion.

Councillor Mackenzie inquires as to the student population and how many children get bussed and how many get dropped off. Mr. Pillon indicates the number of kids that use are bussed is approximately 508 although all the kids don't use the bus every day on a consistent basis. Mr. Pillon adds that the drop off number is large as well. The school encourages all students who are eligible to ride the bus, and those that don't should walk. A sidewalk would alleviate some safety concerns in the area.

Councillor Costante inquires whether administration could meet with the school to come up with a plan for the area. Mark Winterton, City Engineer appears before the Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee and indicates that these concerns in this area are not new to Windsor, it happens all over the community. Committees are set up to work with all the school boards to address these types of concerns. Mr. Winterton adds that he continues to provide enhanced enforcement and education and encourages parents to use active transportation to access school areas. Administration believes that providing proper infrastructure will alleviate concerns and promote healthy active lifestyles which also coincides with many existing City policies and plans.

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Councillor Costante inquires about the replacement of trees if some would have to be removed. Mr. Winterton indicates that if trees would have to be removed, then the City Forrester would be consulted and replacement would occur according to existing City policies.

Councillor Kaschak requests that Mr. Delmore comment on the transit concerns that have been voiced. Pat Delmore, Executive Director, Transit Windsor appears before the Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee and indicates that the Dominion 5 accesses the route and provides some detail on route, direction and adds that statistics regarding ridership can be provided when the committee's recommendation moves forward to Council.

Councillor Francis requests clarification as to whether the crosswalk being installed and not moving forward with the sidewalk would impact end results. Mr. Winterton indicates that the administrative report recommends doing everything together as all parts of the project together meet the end goal.

Councillor McKenzie requests clarification on sidewalks in the area. Administration provides the information as requested.

Moved by: Councillor McKenzie  
Seconded by: Councillor Costante

Decision Number: **ETPS 667**  
That Council **RESCIND** Council Resolution CR57/2014.  
Carried.  
Councillor Francis voting nay.

Moved by: Councillor Francis  
Seconded by: Councillor Costante

Decision Number: **ETPS 668**  
THAT Council **APPROVE** \$62,200 to be funded from Project 7069022 (Traffic Calming) for the construction of a pedestrian crossover on Labelle Street at Northway Avenue and for the relocation or replacement of the nearby school zone sign.  
Carried.

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Moved by: Councillor McKenzie  
Seconded by: Councillor Costante

Decision Number: **ETPS 669**

1. THAT Council **APPROVE** \$125,000 from Project 7045034 (Pedestrian Safety Improvements) to construct a sidewalk on Northway Avenue between Labelle Street and Grand Marais Road West;

Carried.

Councillor Francis voting nay.

Report Number: S 211/2018

Clerk's File: ST2019

### **8.2. CQ10-2018 Vision Zero - CITY-WIDE**

**Neil MacKenzie, Manager, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention, Windsor-Essex County Health Unit**

Neil MacKenzie, Manager, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention, Windsor-Essex County Health Unit appears before the Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee in support of the administrative recommendation in the report CQ10-2018 Vision Zero and concludes by suggesting preventing one incident is worth the effort of implementing this policy; he is pleased to support the effort and would be happy to participate as it would encourage preventative action.

**Diane Bradford, Manager Regional Trauma Program/Injury Prevention, Windsor Regional Hospital**

Diane Bradford, Manager Regional Trauma Program/Injury Prevention, Windsor Regional Hospital appears before the Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee in support of the administrative recommendation in the report CQ10-2018 Vision Zero and concludes by suggesting this is not a new concept, it will have its advantages as it incorporates many different areas of the City including road system designs, enforcement, education, engineering to provide a consistent approach across the community to prevent massive injuries.

Councillor Francis indicates that the principle behind the report is valid, although questions whether the policy is necessary and asks what financial components are involved. Mark Winterton, City Engineer indicates a report will come forward with the policy to include details and financial implications including annual expenditures. Administration will ensure that the policy would follow current engineering standards, signage etc. Mr. Winterton indicates that administration would come back with a policy and provide details regarding financial implications and options.

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Councillor McKenzie inquires as to specific injury statistics. Ms. Bradford provides the specific details as requested. Ms. Bradford adds that this policy would involve designing, planning, education and comparisons with other areas. The end result would be to adopt an approach personalized by your community.

Councillor McKenzie inquires about the success of vision zero in other communities. Administration provides some information as outlined in the report.

Moved by: Councillor Francis  
Seconded by: Councillor Costante

Decision Number: **ETPS 670**

THAT Administration **BE DIRECTED** to report back to the Environment Transportation & Public Safety Services Standing Committee with a Vision Zero Policy for consideration; and,

THAT Administration **BE REQUESTED** to provide information related to comparisons with other Vision Zero municipalities in Ontario including data and gaps or enhancements that would be required across the Corporation to move forward with a complete policy.  
Carried.

Report Number: S 54/2019  
Clerk's File: ST2019

## 9. TRANSIT BOARD ITEMS

### 9.1. Transit Windsor's Non Union Salary Market Comparison 2017-2018

Councillor Francis requests clarification on the request to remove certain municipalities from the salary market review list. Pat Delmore, Executive Director Transit Windsor, indicates that based on the consultants assessment removing Mississauga, Oakville and Thunder Bay from the list would better align Transit Windsor to comparator municipalities when considering criteria such as ridership, number of buses and number of employees.

Councillor McKenzie inquires whether changes to the list would be required on an ongoing basis. Mr. Delmore indicates that there may be changes required periodically depending on the factors being considered in the assessment and minor variances may be required periodically.



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Moved by: Councillor Francis  
Seconded by: Councillor McKenzie

Decision Number: **ETPS 671**

THAT Council **APPROVE** changes to the comparator municipalities to be used in the 2017-2018 salary market review for Transit Windsor.

Carried.

Report Number: S 57/2019

Clerk's File: AS2019

### 10. ADOPTION OF TRANSIT BOARD MINUTES

None presented.

### 11. QUESTION PERIOD

None presented.

### 12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee is adjourned at 6:21 o'clock p.m. The next meeting of the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee will be held April 17, 2019.



Ward 4 – Councillor Holt  
(Chairperson)

  
Supervisor of Council Services