

# THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

# SAFE STREETS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### AGENDA

Monday, October 23, 2017 7:00 PM Committee Room

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 5. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF
- 6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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- (1) Minutes of the GSSC meeting held on September 25, 2017.
- 7. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS
- 8. PRESENTATIONS
- 9. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS ON THE AGENDA
  - (1) Safe Streets Complaints, inquiries, tracker and follow-up. Regular update by Scott Edwards if available.
- 10. COMMUNICATIONS

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(1) Walk to School Videos are now LIVE

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(3) Ontario Cracking Down on Careless and Distracted Driving with Tough New Penalties

# 11. OTHER BUSINESS

- (1) Arlington, three way stop, 'stop ahead' sign request (Continued from previous meeting).
- (2) Joe Dales sub-division, (Continued from previous meeting).
- (3) Dovedale Drive
- (4) Ravenshoe and Warden.
- (5) Subdivision Plan review request, update if available.
- (6) School Markings, update if available.
- (7) Campaign (continued discussion).
- (8) New area(s) of interest for further investigation (ongoing agenda item).
- (9) 2018 Budget, consider:
  - A. Things to request for the operations budget
  - B. Whether the committee wants to request their own budget and what would they request a budget for.

# 12. CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED

# 13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Next meeting Monday, November 27, 2017.



# THE TOWN OF GEORGINA SAFE STREETS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Monday, September 25, 2017 7:00 PM Committee Room

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM

# 2. ROLL CALL

The following Committee members were present:
Regional Councillor Naomi Davison, Chair
Marc Lavergne, Vice Chair
Tanya Hilton
Rob Bassie
Mike Roots, Sergeant
Gavin James
Cathy Hasted

The following staff members were in attendance: Scott Edwards, Road Supervisor Sarah Brislin, Committee Services Coordinator

#### 3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS

(1) Public meeting last week in Udora - Other Business

### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Rob Bassie, Seconded by Tanya Hilton

# **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2017-0021**

That the agenda for the Georgina Safe Streets Committee for August 28, 2017, be approved with the following addendum:

1. Public meeting last week in Udora, as Other Business item 11.10

#### Carried.

- 5. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF None
- 6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
  - (1) Minutes of the GSSC meeting held on June 26, 2017.

Moved by Marc Lavergne, Seconded by Rob Bassie

# **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2017-0022**

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee adopt the meeting minutes of June 26, 2017 as amended.

#### Carried.

- 7. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS None
- 8. PRESENTATIONS None
- CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS ON THE AGENDA
  - (1) Safe Streets Complaints, inquiries, tracker and follow-up. Regular update if available.

The Committee was provided an update on the status of inquiries.

Moved by Gavin James, Seconded by Cathy

#### **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2017-0023**

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee receive the tracker and regular update by Scott Edwards.

# Carried.

- 10. COMMUNICATIONS
  - (1) Ontario Improving Road Safety Ahead of Cannabis Legalization

Moved by Marc Lavergne, Seconded by Rob Bassie

# **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2017-0024**

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee receive the following Communication items:

1. Ontario Improving Road Safety Ahead of Cannabis Legalization

#### Carried.

#### 11. OTHER BUSINESS

(1) Stop bar, in WJ Watson area, update if available.

The Committee was provided an update and advised the Summer Tech has gone back to school.

(2) Richmond Park, speed board, update if available.

The Committee was advised the battery needed to be replaced. It was suggested that the speed board (with replaced battery) be placed near the school on Joe Dales.

(3) Arlington, three way stop, 'stop ahead' sign request, update if available.

The Committee was advised staff conducted a study and found it did not meet the warrants. Staff have trimmed trees to improve visibility. The Committee requested the criteria and traffic study be brought to the next Committee meeting.

(4) Joe Dales sub-division, update if available.

The Committee was advised the Joe Dales subdivision speed limit is 40, currently it is up to the developer to post signs on un-assumed roads. Scott Edwards advised he would find out which roads are assumed roads to see if signs are posted if not and if they can be. It was suggested that staff re-consider the suggestion of installing a stop sign on Thornelodge Drive.

(5) School Markings, update if available.

The Committee was advised the line painting has been completed.

(6) Phase 9, Simcoe Landing update.

Final approvals for phase 9 have been given. They did not take up the suggestions that were informally passed on. Approved by Council 2016.

(7) Campaign (continued discussion).

The Committee discussed campaign ideas.

Moved by Tanya Hilton, Marc Lavergne

RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2017- 0025

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee recommends that Council consider endorsing a road safety campaign facilitated through the Georgina Safe Streets Committee and supported by Communications Division and that:

- 1. The safety campaigns run quarterly.
- 2. That topics be determined by the Georgina Safe Streets Advisory Committee.
- 3. That Council consider this project for the 2018 budget.

#### Carried.

(8) New area(s) of interest for further investigation (ongoing agenda item).

Dovedale Drive was added. Staff were advised there are no speed signs.

Councillor Davison advised she would speak to the Director of Development Services to see if it is possible get plans of subdivision to be reviewed by the Safe Streets Committee for comment before reports go to Council.

- (9) 2018 Budget, consider:
  - A. Things to request for the operations budget
  - B. Whether the committee wants to request their own budget and what would they request a budget for.

The Committee discussed goals for 2018 and ways to support the Operations Departments budget requests.

The committee discussed the fact that they have not operated with a budget for the past few years (since the Committee was established) and would like a budget for small projects rather than coming to Council with requests to be considered during future budget deliberation throughout the year.

Moved by Cathy Hasted, Seconded by Marc Lavergne

#### RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2017-0026

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee request Council consider the following for the 2018 budget:

- 1. Supporting the budget request from the Operations Department for:
  - o Increasing the number of speed boards
  - The hiring of a full time tech required for traffic studies
  - The school zone painting pilot
  - o Line painting twice a year
- A project budget of \$4000.00 for the Georgina Safe Streets Advisory Committee be allocated for the Committee to use towards fulfilling their mandate.

# Carried.

# (10) Udora Public Meeting

The Committee was advised of a meeting held in Udora that considered concerns of Udora Residents.

# (11) Ravenshoe and Warden

The Committee requested Ravenshoe and Warden be discussed at the next meeting. Councillor Davison suggested asking the region to consider a double left turn lane to improve traffic flow.

- 12. CLOSED SESSION, None
- 13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Next meeting Monday, October 23, 2017.

Moved by Tanya Hilton, Seconded by Rob Bassie

# **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2017-0027**

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee meeting for September 25, 2017, be adjourned at 8:34 PM.

#### Carried

Councillor Naomi Davison, Chair
C. Sarah A. Brislin, Committee
Services Coordinator

The walk to school videos have been approved by CC and uploaded to the Region's YouTube channel.

Here's a link to the 30 - <a href="https://youtu.be/aoQd-8XUM1E">https://youtu.be/aoQd-8XUM1E</a> Here's a link to the 1:50 - <a href="https://youtu.be/Q0oCtSn">https://youtu.be/Q0oCtSn</a> 7fs

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# **Terms of Reference**

# York Region Active & Safe Routes to School (ASRTS) Committee

# Background:

Active & Safe Routes to School is an international movement with a common goal: to increase the number of children and youth who use active/sustainable modes of transportation to get to and from school safely. The movement is primarily motivated by concerns about injury, traffic congestion, air quality, climate change, childhood inactivity and obesity. Active & Safe Routes to School (ASRTS) advocates for a regional approach to encourage and support children and families to choose active modes of transportation.

# **Goals of our ASRTS Program:**

- To increase walking and cycling to school
- To increase physical activity
- To promote injury prevention strategies
- To strengthen sense of community
- To reduce harmful air pollutants and greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change

# **Committee Objectives:**

- To provide direction, guidance and consultation regarding the promotion of ASRTS in York Region
- To work collaboratively to promote and sustain ASRTS in York Region by striving to increase the number of participating students/schools
- To promote existing environmental, health and sustainability initiatives across the Region in order to help raise awareness and to leverage ASRTS participation in York Region schools e.g. anti-idling campaigns, Ontario Eco-schools, Smart Commute, etc.
- To facilitate the sharing of expertise and the resources of its partners
- To utilize regional/municipal level strategies to support community awareness and action
- To integrate Active and Sustainable School Transportation (ASST) Hub recommendations as appropriate
- To recruit new community stakeholders to be part of the steering committee as indicated
- To use the Fall/Spring IWALK events as an opportunity to launch an ASRTS program and, where appropriate, invite media to showcase some of the York Region schools/programs
- To provide support to York Region elementary/secondary schools in developing school based ASRTS programs and School Travel Plans where applicable

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- To evaluate the effectiveness of initiatives and make recommendations for future sustainable programs
- Where appropriate/upon request, provide annual updates or reports
- To introduce and implement ASRTS in each municipality and share successes and challenges
- To facilitate the movement of pilot schools towards a self-directed, sustainable model
- To further School Travel Planning (STP) as a best practice model in the Region
- Advocate for policy related to STP and healthy community design

# Membership:

Comprised of regional, municipal and community stakeholders who attend to network, share resources and collaborate to develop, plan, implement and evaluate ASRTS/STP initiatives in York Region.

# **Proceedings:**

- Decision-making by consensus
- Chairperson to conduct the meetings and distribute all communication
- Meetings will be held 3 x per year
- Members should strive to send an alternate representative if they are unable to attend a meeting
- Additional ad hoc sub-committee work may be required for project work/funding decisions
- Terms of reference will be reviewed annually or as required

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# Sarah Brislin

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News Release

# Ontario Cracking Down on Careless and Distracted Driving with Tough New Penalties

September 20, 2017

#### Province Taking Action to Keep Pedestrians, Cyclists and Drivers Safe

Ontario plans to crack down on careless and distracted driving with tough new rules and penalties that would help improve road safety and keep the most vulnerable road users - including pedestrians and cyclists - safe.

Minister of Transportation Steven Del Duca and Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport Eleanor McMahon, were in Toronto today to announce the tough new road-safety measures. They were joined by Han Dong, MPP for Trinity-Spadina.

The province plans to introduce new legislation this fall that, if passed, would help protect pedestrians and cyclists and reduce the number of people killed or injured by impaired, distracted and dangerous drivers. The proposed measures include:

- A new offence for careless driving causing death or bodily harm with penalties that include fines, licence suspension and imprisonment
- Tougher penalties for distracted driving, such as using a cellphone while operating a vehicle, including higher fines, more demerit points, and license suspensions
- Increased penalties for drivers who fail to yield for pedestrians and escalating fines for drivers who are convicted of multiple pedestrian-related offences within a five-year window
- Expanding the use of rear flashing blue lights for enforcement and emergency vehicles.

In addition, the province is consulting on the use of cameras on school buses that capture the offence of illegally passing a school bus, so that this evidence can be admitted into court without a witness.

For 16 years in a row, Ontario's roads have been ranked either first or second safest in North America, but more can still be done. These strong measures add to <u>recently-announced tough new penalties</u> for those who drive under the influence of drugs, including cannabis.

Keeping Ontario's roads safe is part of our plan to create jobs, grow our economy and help people in their everyday lives.

#### **QUICK FACTS**

- On average, one person is killed on Ontario's roads every 17 hours. In 2014, pedestrians and cyclists made up approximately 25 per cent of Ontario's road fatalities.
- While drunk driving remains in the top-five killers on Ontario's roads, the province's most recent roadside survey found that drivers who tested positive for drugs were more than twice the number who tested positive for alcohol.
- The proposed legislation builds on existing measures Ontario has introduced to improve road safety including tougher impaired, distracted and street racing laws.
- In May Ontario passed legislation to protect the most vulnerable such as pedestrians and cyclists, by giving
  municipalities more tools to address speeding. These tools include the ability to set reduced default speed
  limits and use automated speed-enforcement systems on roads with speed limits below 80 km/h that are
  designated as community safety zones or in school zones.
- In June 2015, Ontario passed legislation to toughen penalties for offences such as distracted driving.
- The Ministry of Transportation hosted a road safety symposium in June with municipalities and many road safety partners to discuss a broad range of road safety concerns that helped shape the government's proposed actions to help to save lives on Ontario's roads.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Protecting Vulnerable Road Users

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Road Safety
- Ontario Road Safety Annual Report 2014

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#### **QUOTES**

"Ontario is taking action to reduce the number of people killed by impaired, distracted and dangerous drivers. These measures will help keep some of our most vulnerable road users safe and help us drive home the message that dangerous, impaired and distracted driving is unacceptable, and will not be tolerated."

- Steven Del Duca, Minister of Transportation

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