

**Present:**

Councillor Bose - Chairperson  
Councillor Hepner  
Councillor Hunt  
Councillor Rasode

**Absent:****Staff Present:**

C. Stewart, Senior Planner, Community Planning Division  
D. Luymes, Manager, Community Planning Division  
J. Boan, Transportation Manager, Engineering  
P. Bellefontaine, Transportation Planning Manager, Engineering  
P. Lee, Rapid Transit & Strategic Projects Manager, Engineering  
V. Lalonde, General Manager, Engineering  
T. Mueller, Legislative Services

**A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Minutes of the October 20 meeting to be adopted.

It was

Moved by Councillor Hepner

Seconded by Councillor Rasode

That the minutes of the Transportation

Committee meeting held on October 20, 2010, be received.

Carried

2. **Paid Parking on 72A in Newton Update**  
**File No: 8310-01; 8630-01**

The following comments were made:

- Staff reported that Ms. Brown was contacted and given an update on the Paid Parking Strategy in Newton.
- One of the staff recommendations from the October 20, 2010, Transportation Committee Meeting involved the provision of additional free on-street parking on 138 Street. Staff reported that the parking zone has been pre-marked and engineering are waiting for the contractors to complete the pavement markings.
- The hours of operation for the parking program were modified from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- The rollout of the machines has been deferred and will now occur after Christmas, at which time SERC will be contacted again. If not already done, engineering staff will recommend that SERC free up some of the current staff parking stalls to accommodate additional clients.

A further update on the Newton Paid Parking Program will be provided in January 2011. The Chair and Committee members thanked staff for their efforts.

**B. DELEGATIONS**

- 1. Don Luymes, Manager, and Carla Stewart, Senior Planner,  
Community Planning Division  
Official Community Plan (OCP) Update  
File No: 6440-01**

Before the Transportation Committee to provide an update on the OCP review.

The following comments were made:

- The OCP is viewed as a way of effectively collecting and coordinating all initiatives and council approved documents.

Councillor Hunt arrived at 12:18 p.m.

- The City Centre designation is proposed for expansion east of King George to promote mixed use as commercial to enable mixed-use high-density development of land.
- The Committee stated there are rules in place to protect farm vehicles when using local roads and suggested that the AAC be engaged in those discussions and the OCP should make provisions for farmers as part of their policy statement. The Committee shared that local farmers have concerns about what would happen as a result of upgrades to the Nicomekl Bridge.
- The City is moving towards a more integrated street grid.
- The long-term strategy is the creation of walkable and connected neighbourhoods.
- Frequent Transit Network – the intention is to have as much flexibility as possible but with as much definition possible. It was noted that the OCP would be completed following the rapid transit study.

Councillor Bose left the meeting at 12:41 p.m.

- Within the OCP, the City is obligated to identify frequent transit areas where the City will identify and review development opportunities that are transit supportive within the umbrella of “frequent transit development study areas”. The Planning and Development Department is working on producing a preliminary draft and will seek Council for permission to go to public consultation in January.

Councillor Bose returned at 12:45 p.m.

The agenda was varied to discuss Item E.1.

**E. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**

- 1. Letter from South of Fraser Community Rail Task Force  
File No: 0480-20**

**RECOMMENDATION**

It was  
recommends that Council include the historic Interurban Rail in the City of Surrey's Official Community Plan (OCP) as a potential future passenger transportation corridor.

Moved by Councillor Hunt  
Seconded by Councillor Hepner  
That the Transportation Committee

Carried

**C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

- 1. 2010 Report on Transportation in Surrey  
File No: 8630-01**

The following comments were made:

- The plan will be submitted for Council consideration on December 13, 2010.
- The complexity and number of issues associated with transportation in the City is increasing and therefore the policies and practices employed by the City need to reflect this with a multifaceted approach. Within the Transportation Strategic Plan (TSP), over 100 “actions for change” plus 8 “early actions for change” were developed. Within the TSP, a commitment was given to report back to the public and stakeholders on the success of the plan in meeting these actions within a broader strategy of improving communication and outreach.
- Within the TSP, a number of core principles were identified including environmental protection, integration of transportation with land use, community safety and providing travel choice.
- Staff provided an example of what the report card would contain. Relieving congestion was identified as an important “action for change” and the report card describes how this is being achieved. This includes the monitoring of certain corridors in real time by means of CCTV and the development of a full traffic control centre within the New City Hall. The new centre will provide the capability to make real time adjustments to traffic signals to reduce traffic delays at busier periods of the day.

- Transportation Department achievements include:
  - Planning for future needs and challenges
  - Managing and improving the efficiency and safety of transportation
    - i.e., traffic control centre, CCTV, the rehabilitation program and more CCTV. CCTV was used at the Olympics and the Fusion festival to program events so people could get a sense of where they were going. Staff noted that Crime prevention through the Park 'n' Rides have been linked up to the system.
  - Building infrastructure
  - Educating, information and engaging the public

The Transportation Committee requested that the planned educational / outreach programs involving travel planning at local schools, and speed control calming programs planned for 2011.

The Transportation Committee fully endorsed the 2010 Report on Transportation in Surrey for presentation to Council at December 13, 2010.

## D. NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Rapid Transit Status Update File No: 8740-20

The following comments were made:

- TransLink and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure are undertaking a three-phase study with municipal stakeholders to identify a rapid transit network within Surrey.

Phase I identify a short list of alternatives

Phase II evaluate alternatives and recommend preferred network and technology

Phase III design and implementation phasing

- Surrey's goal is to have a common vision and agreement with TransLink on Surrey's rapid transit network and technology.
- The region is facing funding challenges, which have delayed transit improvements.

Paul Lee arrived at 1:20 p.m.

- Staff noted that based on a regional perspective the Evergreen Line is first. Followed by Surrey Rapid Transit.
- Staff are conducting a review to generate ideas and options to accelerate the implementation of rapid transit in Surrey.
- Surrey needs to be ready with ideas and plans to accelerate rapid transit when TransLink Study is completed in spring of 2011.

## Summary

- Ensure final recommendation is aligned with Surrey's technology and route preferences and supportive of Surrey's growth strategy.
- Safeguard Surrey's interests in the Province's/TransLink's development of regional and South of Fraser rapid transit priorities.
- Concurrently investigate opportunities and partnership to advance Surrey's rapid transit implementation.

Staff will continue to participate fully in the development and adoption of the final recommendation of Surrey Rapid Transit Study – Spring 2011.

Paul Lee left the meeting at 1:42 p.m.

## 2. Surrey's Major Road Needs

**File No: 8630-01**

The following comments were made:

- Work on major road needs is flowing out of requirements identified in the Official Community Plan (OCP).
- Staff discussed the major road allowance map and the cross sections needed to support improved walking and cycling provision and increased space to allow for larger street trees.
- The intention is make the major road allowance map a part of the subdivision bylaw as opposed to the zoning bylaw. Is an easier tool to manage and for developers to access.
- Updates to the Road Allowance Map and R-91 map will take place as part of any changes to NCPs.
- The road allowance requirements are being changed to:
  - Reflect specific dedication requirements determined through major long-term transportation and planning studies.
  - To protect specialized road cross-sections through the ALR.
  - To ensure consistency with the City's standard cross-sections for arterial and collector roads.
  - To reflect the City and society's changing values and sustainability e.g. accessibility, active transportation and increased green space.
  - To provide sufficient space for utilities.

### Sustainability and Changing Needs:

- With the growth and evolution of our City there is a need to reassess the public realm considering new values and sustainability.
- Cycling will continue to grow as a healthy and environmentally friendly travel choice – need for a good standard.
- Aging population and need to accommodate physically disabled – width of sidewalks play a key role.

- Higher density development limits ability for growing large trees – opportunity for significant environmental benefit through larger trees in wider street boulevard.

**Lane Width Comparisons:**

Staff provided information on how the City’s road standards compared with national standards.

Lane Type	Surrey	Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) Guideline
Arterial travel lane	3.0 & 3.3 m including gutter	3.7 m excluding gutter
Collector travel lane	3.0 & 3.3 m including gutter	3.5 to 3.7 m excluding gutter
Parking lane	2.3 m – 2.5 m including gutter	2.8 m excluding gutter

**Utility Needs:**

- 3.2 m boulevard on collectors and arterials (as opposed to 2.0 m) provides space for utilities.
- Same width as boulevard on neo-traditional local roads (standard adopted in 1994 through extensive consultation).
- Allows uninterrupted sidewalk corridor with hydro/telephone/cable kiosks not blocking the sidewalk.

**Implementation Strategy:**

- Updated standards will generally apply everywhere but each application is reviewed by engineering and planning staff for reasonableness and achievability:
  - Context-sensitive, case-by-case basis
  - Lot depth (maintaining minimums)
  - Redevelopment (rezoning/subdivision) potential on street
    - Timing
    - How much development has occurred to old standard
- Road Allowance Map will identify a few variations to updated standards, e.g. 128 St in Ocean Park (arterial).
  - Expected to remain two through lanes and no densification.
  - Retain 24 m road allowance to provide bike lane width, sidewalks, boulevard, bus stops, and turning lanes at intersections.

**Consultation Process:**

- **Jan 2010**
  - Council adoption of Road Classification Map.
- **Apr 2010**
  - Transportation Committee initial review of Road Allowance Map and updated road cross-sections.
- **May / June 2010**
  - Two DAC reviews of Road Allowance Map and updated road cross-sections.
- **July 2010**
  - Transportation Committee final review of Road Allowance Map and updated road cross-sections – resolution: Corporate Report to Council.
  - Council endorsement of bylaw amendments & new Surrey Major Road Allowance Map.
- **Sept / Oct 2010**
  - Subdivision By-law amendments and Zoning By-law amendment to Building Setbacks referred back to staff.
  - Further DAC discussion to confirm fundamental issue is equity of road dedication.
  - Transportation Committee update and request for more information.
- **Nov 2010**
  - First Road Allowance Equity Working Group meeting to resolve DAC concern of inequity of road dedication.

**Next Steps:**

1. Negotiating mitigation (current approach), i.e., density, setbacks, other transportation requirements.
2. Pay for extra width from DCC's.

**Key considerations:**

- Application of new road requirements for property already purchased compared with future land developments.
- Density achievable.
- Does developer know of requirements?
- Principle of subdivision/rezoning: increase in land value/yield but provide public infrastructure to service new densities.

**Current Status:**

- Road allowance working group will continue to meet
- The working group & DAC have been advised that staff would be seeking to have the by-Law re-introduced.

Staff will prepare a Corporate Report for Council consideration to include details on mitigation options.

The Committee asked staff to review the dialogue and the papers available from Texas A & M University and include a copy as an appendix in the Corporate Report.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It was  
 Moved by Councillor Rasode  
 Seconded by Councillor Hunt  
 That the Transportation Committee  
 recommends that Council support the by-law introduction for the new Major Road Allowance Map and associated by-law amendments.

Carried

**3. Walking Plan  
 File No: 8310-01**

The following comments were made:

- This item was deferred to the January 12, 2011 meeting.

**4. Residential Only Parking**

The following comments were made:

- This item was deferred to the January 12, 2011 meeting

**F. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Memo from City Clerk regarding 2011 Transportation Meeting Schedule.  
 Motion to adopt is requested.  
 File No: 0540-20

It was  
 Moved by Marvin Hunt  
 Seconded by Councillor Rasode  
 That the 2011 Transportation Committee  
 Meeting Schedule be adopted.

Carried

**G. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**H. OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor Bose asked if there were merits in establishing a formal utility for Transportation to assist with funding.

As a discussion tool, staff offered to prepare a detailed presentation on transportation funding in Surrey for a future meeting of the Transportation Committee.

**I. NEXT MEETING**

The next Transportation Committee will be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Executive Meeting Room.

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

The Transportation Committee adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

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Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

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Councillor Bose, Chair  
Transportation Committee