

Informal 'SMAP' meeting

*Panel not yet officially struck – citizen members not yet appointed.*

June 15, 2015

Tom Davies, room C-13A

Present: Samantha Baulch (Rainbow Routes Association), Carol Craig (Sudbury District Health Unit), Michelle Ferrigan (Sudbury Transit), Naomi Grant (Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury), Barb McDougall (leisure Services), Deb McIntosh (Councillor), Rachelle Niemela (Sudbury Cyclists Union), Jason Thibeault, Niall Williams. Hugh Kruzel arrived for the later portion of the meeting.

### **General comments**

We agree to work together respectfully, and to move forward in a constructive manner (rather than dwelling on past frustrations). In its first term, SMAP had a good agreement in principle for working well together – Samantha will circulate.

It will be important to have a collaborative working relationship with staff and the Transportation Study team, and have a good process to make iterative positive change.

SMAP's role is to advise Council. The mandate remains the same – see below.

We are all free as individuals and on our own organizations to advocate as we wish.

There have been few applicants for the citizen positions. Should we extend the deadline? Deb will inquire re the process.

### **What do we want to do? Immediate tasks:**

1. Input on the Transportation Study
2. Short list of priority cycling infrastructure for staff to bring back feasibility/design/cost to advise on best investments of allocated funding.
3. Advise on sustainable mobility aspects of current and upcoming road infrastructure projects.

### **Transportation Study**

- Two main focuses: implementing the recommendations in the Sustainable Mobility Plan, and higher level feedback for the Transportation Study to best support sustainable mobility (walking, biking, transit). We will not focus on individual roads or routes but rather stick to principles supporting sustainable mobility. Timelines (accountable) will be important.

Examples of higher level feedback: importance of including transit, TDM, traffic modelling that includes all modes (and the impact on the list of 'needed roads')

- The Public Information Centre is scheduled for June 24, 4-7 p.m open house, 7-10 p.m. livestreamed comments (5 minute max) and Q&A, Council in attendance. We can each comment as individuals or groups. If we wish, we can pre-register with the clerk – anyone who attends can speak. See:

<http://www.greatersudbury.ca/living/roads/traffic-and-transportation/draft-transportation-master-plan/public-information-centre-3/>

- It would be very useful to speak with staff/consultants prior to this to get clarifications. Deb has asked if it is possible to meet earlier in the day on the 24<sup>th</sup>. We should all collect our questions for staff.

- A special meeting of Council is expected to give members of Council to time to ask all their questions of staff/MMM. We can provide questions to Deb. Any possibility of having the opportunity to ask further questions personally at this meeting? (I.e. be invited to ask some questions).
- True collaboration and iterative changes needed for improving TS!

**Next meeting – June 29, 2 – 4 p.m.**

- Review of Transportation Study: Samantha will lead discussion of implementing relevant SMP recommendations, Naomi will facilitate discussion of higher level input (what is needed to support sustainable transportation).

- First brainstorm of priority cycling infrastructure projects.

Carol will consider which data would be helpful in assessing and supporting the need for the selected projects. E.g. accident statistics, community profiles (locations of parks & schools, population density etc), traffic volumes (shown in TS).

**Action Items**

Deb – set up a meeting with staff/MMM

Barb – circulate scope of work for the Transportation Study, & SMAP motion and terms of reference, send meeting notice for June 29 meeting

Samantha – circulate informal SMAP meeting ‘rules’ & link to SMP, & let us know when copies of the Transportation Study are at libraries

Rachelle – set up dropbox to keep files in one place, & collate questions for staff/MMM for clarifications needed on Transportation Study

Naomi – circulate CLS’ first assessment of the Transportation Study

Carol – make paper copies of Transportation Study text (not maps), & make an initial list of data that would be useful in assessing/supporting priorities cycling infrastructure projects.

Michelle – if possible, find transit data that is comparable to the data being given for private vehicle traffic. (Naomi will send page numbers & info from TS).

All – send your questions on the study to Rachelle for her to put into a single document.

*From April 28, 2015 Council Meeting*

M-1. Creation of the Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel

As presented by Councillor McIntosh:

WHEREAS during its budget deliberations, City of Greater Sudbury Council demonstrated its strong support of active transportation and cycling infrastructure by securing a one time draw of \$500,000 from the Roads Reserve and funding of \$800,000 per year of future capital budget allocations for cycling infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the Transportation Study is expected to be revealed shortly and there will be a need to review the recommendations made in the Sustainable Mobility Plan 2010 against the updated Transportation Study;

AND WHEREAS during the last term of Council, the Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel (SMAP) members played a key role in assisting City staff, Council and community partners in implementing the recommendations made within the Sustainable Mobility Plan and to advocate for walking/cycling infrastructure, as well as transit efficiencies and use;

AND WHEREAS one of the primary objectives of the Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel was to advocate for active transportation requirements within Greater Sudbury's Official Plan being implemented;

AND WHEREAS the recommendation of the Sustainable Mobility Plan for Greater Sudbury was to "Develop a Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel comprised of representation from appropriate stakeholder groups to provide a holistic approach to sustainable and active transportation initiatives in the City of Greater Sudbury";

AND WHEREAS the mandate of the Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel has not yet been completed and should include the connectivity between the 3 mobility groups (pedestrian, cycling and transit);

AND WHEREAS all meetings of the Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel are open to the public to attend and participate;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Greater Sudbury directs staff to immediately establish the Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel composed of groups and individuals listed below for the current term of Council, with the same mandate and objectives as set out in Appendix "A" attached, established during the 2010-2014 term of Council;

SMAP representation: Rainbow Routes Association (1) Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury (1) Sudbury Cycles (1) Friends of Sudbury Transit (1) Sudbury & District Health Unit (1) Greater Sudbury Police Service (1) CGS staff from Roads, Transit & Leisure Services (3) Citizens at large representing cyclists, pedestrians and transit users (1 each)

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel report on its progress to Greater Sudbury Council annually, and that the Panel be ready to meet by June 15th, 2015.

## Appendix "A"

### Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel

Mandate: To assist staff and Council in implementing a vision for a holistic approach to a multi-model transportation system where citizens can walk, cycle and/or use public transit efficiently and safely to get to their destinations.

#### Primary Objectives:

- To assist staff, Council and community partners in implementing the recommendations made within the sustainable Mobility Plan and the Bicycle Master Plan;
- To advocate for pedestrians, cyclists and transit users;
- To advocate for non-motorized transportation requirements within Greater Sudbury's Official Plan are implemented;
- To advocate for Greater Sudbury's policies affecting pedestrians, cyclists and transit users; and to develop recommendations to encourage sustainable mobility;
- To promote walking and cycling as an important part of a healthy community; • To advocate recommendations for walking/cycling infrastructure.

Time Commitment: The Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel will meet bi-monthly with sub-committees meetings scheduled as required.

Term: To coincide with the term of Council to November 30, 2014

<http://www.greatersudbury.ca/inside-city-hall/citizen-advisory-panels/sustainable-mobility-advisory-panel/>