

10TH REPORT OF THE

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on November 3, 2009, commencing at 12:12 p.m.

PRESENT: G. Williams (Chair), S. Brook, M. Channon, N. Kokkoros, P. Marks, G. Morrison, J. Preston, P. Singeris and D. Waller and B. Mercier (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: M. Elmadhoon, K. Grabowski, S. Greenly, J. Lucas and D. MacRae.

REGRETS: A. Cook, T. Gaffney, R. Morley, J. Reffle and B. Turcotte.

**I YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Downtown  
Master Plan  
Survey

1. That the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) heard a verbal delegation and received the attached communication from C. Parker, Planner, with respect to the Downtown Master Plan relating to the transportation issues raised through the following:

- Downtown Master Plan public meeting held on July 29, 2009;
- MainStreet London and the London Downtown Business Association meeting held on October 14, 2009; and,
- the City's on-line survey results from August 29, 2009, to-date.

Wharncliffe  
Shopping  
Plaza Inc. –  
467  
Wharncliffe  
Road South

2. (4) That the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) reviewed and received a Notice dated October 22, 2009 from the General Manager of Planning and Development, with respect to an application submitted by Wharncliffe Shopping Plaza Inc. relating to the property located at 467 Wharncliffe Road South. The TAC provided the following comments with respect to this matter:

- (a) a right-of-way and a daylight triangle should be at the intersection of Baseline Road and Wharncliffe Road;
- (b) reciprocal access should be with the adjacent properties;
- (c) the Bicycle Master Plan's bicycle parking guidelines should be adhered to; and,
- (d) adequate parking should be available for all intended uses.

London  
Psychiatric  
Hospital Area  
Plan

3. (5) That the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) reviewed and received a Notice dated October 23, 2009 from the General Manager of Planning and Development, with respect to an application submitted by the Ontario Realty Corporation relating to the lands bounded by Oxford Street East, Highbury Avenue North, Dundas Street and existing development west of First Street. The TAC noted the following:

- (a) due to the proximity of this site to Fanshawe College, land use options should be considered that would support a higher order of area transit service, consistent with the London Transit Commission Long Term Growth Strategy; and,
- (b) Staff be requested to forward the traffic count survey results for this site to the TAC via its Committee Secretary, that shows the intersections analyzed in the study and the dates the traffic counts were conducted.

London  
Transportation  
Master Plan  
Public  
Meeting

4. (7) That the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) reviewed and received a communication dated November 2, 2009 from C. Tilden, with respect to notice of the Transportation Master Plan's first public participation meeting to be held on November 10, 2009 at the Western Fair Grounds, Carousel Room; it being noted there will be three public participation meetings related to the Plan.

5. That the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) received and noted the following:

9th Report of  
the TAC

(a) (1) the 9th Report of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) from its meeting held on October 6, 2009;

Appointments  
to the TAC

(b) (2) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on October 5, 2009 with respect to the appointment of G. Morrison, Member-at-Large, S. Janes, London Development Institute, and P. Singeris, Old East Village Business Improvement Association to the TAC, for the term ending November 30, 2010;

Rowing  
Canada  
Aviron – 2070  
Huron Street

(c) (3) a Notice dated October 23, 2009 from the General Manager of Planning and Development, with respect to an application submitted by Rowing Canada Aviron relating to the property located at 2070 Huron Street; and,

John Vincent  
Services –  
1639  
Richmond  
Street

(d) (6) a Notice dated October 26, 2009 from the General Manager of Planning and Development, with respect to an application submitted by John Vincent Services related to the property located at 1639 Richmond Street.

Next Meeting

6. That the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) will hold its next meeting on December 1, 2009.

The meeting adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

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**TRANSPORTATION ISSUES RAISED THROUGH THE DOWNTOWN MASTER  
PLAN PUBLIC PROCESS  
PUBLIC MEETING –JULY 29, 2009  
MEETING WITH MAINSTREET/LDBA – OCTOBER 14, 2009  
ON-LINE SURVEY –AUGUST 29 – NOVEMBER 30, 2009**

**CONSTRAINTS AND WEAKNESSES**

Note - \* indicates at least 5 people mentioned issue

**Transit**

**1) Functional**

Bus congestion at Dundas and Richmond  
Too much bus traffic on Dundas Street\*  
Too many buses on Richmond Street  
No real bus terminal  
Routing of LTC  
Not enough buses on King and Queens Avenue  
Buses centralized at Dundas and Richmond\*  
Congestion around bus stops  
Need special pavement for buses  
Inconsistency between TMP and OP with regard to parking  
One way streets  
Not enough bus shelters  
Buses too large for street  
Takes too long to get Downtown

**2) Service Related**

Poor bus service for evening/night activities  
Bus timing  
Transit transfers in the wrong location  
Too long to get Downtown  
Difficult to transfer between buses  
Public attitude towards transit  
Too much smoking around bus stops

**Roads**

Too much traffic  
Too much traffic going through Downtown  
Wellington near King Street needs some work  
Street signs hard to see  
Need Wellington Road Gateway into Downtown –in road allowance  
Dundas Street too busy  
Speed limit too high in Downtown  
Too long to get Downtown  
Uncoordinated traffic lights  
Car traffic noise  
Close Market Lane, Carling, Clarence (?), Thames (?) for pedestrians  
Truck loading  
One way streets  
Automobile traffic circulation  
Emergency vehicle noise and speed at night

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## **Parking**

Too much surface parking\*  
Lack of parking\*  
Need more City-owned parking  
Parking cost\*  
Parking enforcement tough – signs misleading  
More side road parking  
Inconvenient parking  
“Ugly ” parking lots  
Removal of heritage buildings for parking lots  
Lack of street parking  
Lack of short term parking  
Street parking too limited  
Balance between long term and short term parking  
On-Street parking on Dundas Street  
Need a parking garage (s)  
Too much parking  
More monthly parking  
Stormwater problem  
Lazy public  
Parking monopoly  
Parking metres on residential streets  
On-street parking on Richmond Street

## **Pedestrian**

Sidewalks not wide enough\*  
Needs to be designed for people, not cars\*  
Need pedestrian “countdown” signs at intersections  
Tripping hazards on sidewalks  
Drivers inattentive to Pedestrians  
Lack of a Pedestrian Street  
Not enough benches  
Sidewalks not big enough at Dundas/Richmond  
Richmond Street two-lanes  
Poor connectivity to Thames River at Ridout

## **Bicycles**

Lack of bike lanes\*  
Bicycles on sidewalks  
Not enough bike racks  
Safety of bikes  
Bicycling is dangerous in Downtown  
Downtown not bicycle friendly  
Access from suburbs by bicycle difficult  
No room for bicycles

## **Rail**

Rail line that crosses Colborne and Ridout Street  
Noise from trains  
Too much rail traffic

October 27, 2009

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