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Minutes of Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held February 8, 2018 in the City of Leduc, Operations Building, Engineering Boardroom.

Attendance Those in attendance:

Mayor Bob Young Councillor Laura Tillack

Shawn Olson, Director, Engineering

Kyle Van Steenoven, Manager, Capital Projects and Development

Rick Sereda, Director, Public Services

Gerry Lang, Manager, Infrastructure Maintenance

Cameron Chisholm, Manager, RCMP Administration and Leduc Enforcement Services

Cst. Oliver Ling, RCMP Sgt. Brent Dueck, RCMP Cst. Kareen Croteau, RCMP

Shirley Weslosky, Recording Secretary

With Regrets Kevin Wenzel, Manager, Public Transportation

Mike Pieters, GM Infrastructure & Planning

Michael Stadnyk, Community Peace Officer, Sergeant

Public Commentary

No public attended the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Shawn Olson called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Carried Forward From Previous Meeting

Background

1. Branding/formalization of traffic safety discussions (Brent Dueck)

Decision

Brent Dueck is suggesting that the Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) take over the traffic safety program in Leduc and become responsible for all of the traffic safety issues. The Traffic Advisory Committee would stay the same, but branding it with another name.

- Branding the traffic safety program
- Policy and Bylaws will need to be changed
- The objective would be to reduce collisions and concentrate on safety
- Launch the program in the fall
- Public engagement to attend the meetings
- Items brought forward from(CSAC) Community Safety Advisory Committee through a liaison
- City of Leduc communications, Nikki Booth will come up with advertising and branding for the committee.
- Come up with a logo for the committee
- TAC were opposed to the suggested 5 pillars of responsibility but were in favour of a collaborative approach to the 5 pillars of traffic safety.
- The five Pillars are:

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Education Owner, Engagement Owner, Engineering Owner, Enforcement Owner, and Evaluation Owner

Next steps

- Bylaw amendment
- There will be a side committee of Brent Dueck, Cameron Chisholm, Rick Sereda, and Shawn Olson.

Motion 01/17

It was moved by Shawn Olson that Traffic Advisory Committee supports the formalization of integrated collaborated approach to safety lead by the Traffic Advisory Committee.

September 12, 2017 meeting – No update

November 9, 2017 meeting – No update

The meeting will take place on Tuesday November 14, 2017.

February 8, 2018 - No update

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- TAC will be moving forward with vision zero, the next step is presenting it to Council
- There will be no name change, as this program will still run as Traffic Advisory Committee. It will however fall under the vision zero banner.
- Review of injury collisions during TAC meetings, looking at where and when the accidents are happening
- Helps to support other programs that the city has and will take care of the five pilars in the transportation system.

Action Bring back to the next meeting

CARRIED

Background

2. Residents on Alton Drive near the school are concerned with the speed limit since the removal of the 30 km zone. They claim drivers are speeding and residents can't back out of their driveways without fear of being hit, or honked at by aggressive drivers. Residents are asking for an increase in patrols in order to slow the traffic.(Mayor Bob Young)

Decision

September 12, 2017 - The data will be checked on the speed awareness signs to see if anyone is speeding. RCMP are doing enforcement in this area.

TAC recommends to Council that this be investigated further by checking the speed data on the speed awareness sign and bring this information back to the next TAC meeting. **(Gerry Lang)**

Action

November 9, 2017 meeting - TAC recommends to Council that the time change on all school zone flashers be checked by **Public Services (Gerry Lang)** to ensure they are working properly.

February 8, 2018 meeting - **TAC recommends to Council** to bring back at the next meeting for more debate with Mayor Young.

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April 12 meeting - TAC recommends to Council to put in 50 km speed tables. There is a lot of traffic on Alton Drive, this road will be a pilot project for the speed bumps and traffic calming. TAC will go to Council with cost implications for this pilot project.

Black Gold Drive and 50 Street was another location that was suggested for traffic calming.

Bring back to the next meeting

CARRIED

Background

3. A student was hit by a vehicle at the intersection on Black Gold Drive and South Park Drive (by the Husky) in a marked crosswalk with lights. Elementary age students and their older siblings cross at this intersection on their way to East Elementary, the junior high or the high school, and I am concerned for their safety. The intersection is poorly lit and very dark in the mornings. I can say from my personal observations, that if drivers are not paying very close attention in the mornings, they miss that there are kids standing on the curb. Secondly, that intersection is significantly busy with traffic in the mornings, since it is a main route to head west out of town and north to Nisku. Resident would like to see more lighting or some type of signals to make the crossing safer. (Cameron Chisholm)

Decision

February 8, 2018 meeting - Lights have been upgraded by Public Services to LED to brighten this crosswalk.

Oliver Ling will bring back an accident report on this intersection to TAC April 12, 2018.

April 12 meeting - TAC recommends to Council to remove the crosswalk on the west side of Black Gold Drive including ramps. **(Gerry Lang)**

Action Take off agenda

CARRIED

Background

4. Residents of Caledonia, expressed concern about parents dropping off and picking up their children at the school on 39 Street and 33 Avenue. The parents speed, double, triple park, drive on both sidewalks, and drive on the lawns of residents. The speed on 39 Street and 33 Avenue is 50 km/hr so resident have concerns that a student will be hit. (Shawn Olson)

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that the RCMP monitor the situation in the mornings during school drop off and after school when parents pick up their children. **(Oliver Ling)**

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Background

5. RCMP have noticed there have been collisions on 50 Street and 51 Avenue. They have been doing surveillance/ police presence for distracted, pedestrian and intersection verification. It has been noticed that the crosswalk for the pedestrian (in front of the church to cross 50 Street) is not very visible. The 50 Street and 50 Avenue is very close and the driver pay attention of the intersection and miss the pedestrian presence. (Brent Dueck)

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that Public Services investigate and see if rapid rectangular LED lights are possible at this intersection. If putting in rapid rectangular lights is possible then Public Services will install them. **(Gerry Lang)**

Action

Take off agenda

CARRIED

Background

6. Resident is concerned about the safety of the intersection at 48 Street and 47 Avenue, right in front of the Leduc Eye Centre. They live at 46 - 48 Street and often find that there is poor visibility at this intersection when vehicles are parked along the sidewalk outside of the Leduc Eye Centre. They are recommending that the City install no parking sign along this short stretch of sidewalk, as they have to creep forward into the intersection to see if there is oncoming traffic when vehicles are parked here. (Kyle Van Steenoven)

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that Public Services look into no parking signs to be installed at a field set location, to be discussed with Public Services and Engineering. (**Gerry Lang**)

Action

Take off agenda

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Background

7. With increased traffic along 43A Avenue between 48 Street & 50 Street is concerned with the mix of intense parking, fast speeds, limited visibility, and increased use by children, is making for a dangerous situation. Shawn Olson

On behalf of the Board of Savanna Villas, I would like to ask the City of Leduc to consider the following:

- 1. Expand the No-Parking area further back from the edge of each entrance to our property, specifically the one from 43A Avenue.
- 2. Make the south-side of 43A Avenue "no-parking" in the vicinity (property line) of Savanna Villas.
- 3. Reduce the speed limit on 43A Avenue

Decision

TAC recommends to Council to put up speed awareness signs to validate the speeding on this street. Public Services will install a speed awareness sign on this street to gather data. **(Gerry Lang)** Engineering to review data to validate a lack of speeding concern and to respond to Savanna Villas **(Shawn Olson)**

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Background

8. Resident is concerned about the safety of the intersection at 48 Street and 49 Avenue, by the Smith Clinic. There is more traffic in this area due to 47 Street closed to south bound traffic. They claim that there are a lot of accidents on this corner due to the signage being only a yield sign. They would like a stop sign placed on 49 Avenue going east bound and west bound. (Gerry Lang)

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that Public Services change the two yield signs to two stop signs on 49 Avenue. (**Gerry Lang**)

Action

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CARRIED

Background

9. Resident is concerned with the yield/stop sign by the 7 Eleven on 50 Street. Public Services has put up a yield and stop sign temporarily until TAC gives their approval. (Shawn Olson)

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that the stop signs and yield signs that Public Services put in where necessary on this street to avoid accidents.

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Background

10. Something that seems to be increasing, is the amount of cars along Bridgeport Boulevard that are clearly inoperable, derelict, and creating eye sores along the streets. Your enforcement services team have been great at catching and ticketing these people, but these people, have also started to take notice, and when enforcement is out, they're moving them (if they can) into driveways of neighbors and their friends, and moving them back out to the street. I think enforcing a weekday, permit parking along the boulevard (and even possibly the other streets in Bridgeport) would help reduce the number of "junkers" parked on the streets, which would help get rid of the eye sore, but also generate revenue for the city, and possibly even create an enforcement tool when non-permitted cars that are in the way of snow removal can just be removed, and if it's permitted, you could warn the owners directly via text message. (Cameron Chisholm)

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that there be no permit parking in this area. They also recommend that the CPO continue to monitor the vehicles in this area who are parked longer than 72 hours, and issue tickets violators. **(Cameron Chisholm)**

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Background

11. Resident is concerned about the speed on Corinthia Drive. Public services is going to change the speed awareness sign to operational. TAC will review the data at this Traffic Advisory meeting to compare the information before and after the sign was set to display back speeds. (Shawn Olson)

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that the speed awareness data has shown no issues with speeding on this street. No changes will be made in this area. Public Services will take this speed awareness sign down. (**Gerry Lang**)

Action Take off agenda

CARRIED

Background

12. I recently received a concern from a bus driver of a bus loading zone across from the Composite High School on Corinthia Drive. The bus driver uses the zone in their bus route. The signs indicate loading zone times of 8:00 – 8:45 and 15:15 – 16:00.

Would it be possible to have "no parking" signs installed to complement the school bus loading zone times? I believe this would make it easier for enforcement during these times.

(Brad Agotnes)

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that Public Services paint the curb yellow in the bus loading zone. (Gerry Lang)

Action Take off agenda

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Background

Action

13. have a concern regarding the school speed limit hours. I do not believe there should be times of 30 km and 50 km during the school day. It should be 30 km from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday period. This would make it less confusing. Also in the bylaw it should stipulate these hours enforced during regular school days only, excluding days when school is not in session as there is numerous days a year when school is not in session. Example; Christmas and numerous other times during the school year. Cameron Chisholm

Decision TAC recommends to Council that there be no changes to school zones or the bylaw.

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Background 14. TAC Council Presentation May 14, 2018 (Kyle Van Steenoven)

Decision There were no comments from TAC on the Council presentation.

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Background

15. Resident on Birchwood Close is upset that there is no parking in front of his home, The neighbour has three trucks and only two parking stalls so he parks in front of this residents home.

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that this being a public road there is nothing they can do. Residents are allowed to park in front of anyone's home in this cul-de-sac.

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Background

16. Transit is requesting a bus stop be placed eastbound on 50 Avenue. They are looking for a place to load/unload LATS passengers visiting True Touch Massage. The back alley is not an option.

Decision

TAC recommends to Council that the LATS buses be allowed to park on the street right before the island, in front of True Touch Massage to drop off passengers.

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CARRIED

Information Item

There will be an update to Council on ATE in May, 2018.

TAC recommends to Council that TAC is supportive to post two or three high incident locations with fixed intersection cameras. Suggested locations in Leduc were 50 Avenue & 50 Street, and the intersection under the over pass if possible.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

Next meeting – June 14, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. – OPS Building, 2nd Floor, Engineering Boardroom.