

To: Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

From: Sarah Mackillican, Communication Coordinator

Meeting Date: October 6, 2021

Subject: Report AAC21-022

Cycling Master Plan Update

Purpose

A report to introduce a presentation from the City's Transportation Demand Management Planner Susan Sauvé and Zibby Petch of the IBI Group, regarding the City of Peterborough's Cycling Master Plan.

Recommendations

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) approve the recommendations outlined in Report AAC21-022 dated October 6, 2021 of the Communication Coordinator as follows:

- a) That a Cycling Master Plan presentation from the Transportation Demand Management Planner and IBI Group be received;
- b) That the Committee provide feedback on the proposed strategies of the plan to improve and grow cycling in the City of Peterborough; and
- c) That the AAC review the draft Trail Design Guidelines and provide feedback on this component of the Cycling Master Plan.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

The City's Transportation Demand Management Planner researches, designs, implements, monitors and reports on a variety of citywide transportation demand management initiatives.

Cycling Master Plan

In July 2021, City Council approved the vision, goals (see Table 1 below) and scenario of the Cycling Master Plan.

Vision: "Peterborough is a leader in cycling with a safe, connected and accessible network that serves all ages and abilities by 2041. Cycling for transportation and recreation contributes to a thriving, healthy and resilient community and supports the City's sustainability and climate change goals."

This presentation will provide an overview of the Cycling Master Plan, which will identify strategies to improve and grow cycling in the City of Peterborough.

Table 1- Cycling Master Plan Goals

| Goal | Description |
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| Create an Irresistible Network | This goal focuses on creating a more connected, accessible, and safer cycling network, making cycling a more attractive and competitive mode of transportation. |
| Encourage Year- Round Riding | To achieve a consistent, higher mode share of cycling, year-round cycling is important. The focus of this goal is on supporting maintenance practices that will encourage people to cycle year-round and make winter cycling a more viable and enjoyable mode of transportation. |
| Pursue Design Excellence | This goal focuses on developing a network that is accessible to cyclists of all ages and abilities, with an emphasis on separated cycling infrastructure, quiet streets routes and bicycle boulevards that provide a higher level of comfort for people cycling. |
| Build Cycling Culture | This goal focuses on continued and expanded programming efforts that contribute to a community culture that is supportive and aware of cycling as a mode of transportation. Programming efforts help increase ridership, contributing to mode share targets and positive health outcomes for the community. |
| Go for Gold | This goal focuses on an implementation plan that will help Peterborough become a cycling leader in Canada. This study's goal focuses on achieving a Gold certification level through the Bicycle Friendly Communities program. |

The Cycling Master Plan will feed into the update of the City's Transportation Plan, which is taking place at the same time. It will include considerations of ways to grow and support the use of regular bikes and e-bikes including infrastructure needs, policies, programming and design standards.

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