Transit Committee

Agenda

Thursday, March 16, 2017
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
La Cite Francophone – Hall Jean-Louis Dentinger
8627 Rue Marie-Gaboury (91 Street), Edmonton

Agenda Items

1. Call to Order – Councillor Wes Brodhead, Chair

2. Chair Opening Remarks

3. Approval of Agenda – Councillor Wes Brodhead, Chair

4. Approval of Minutes of December 15, 2016 – Councillor Wes Brodhead, Chair

5. Project Updates
   5.1 Regional Household Travel Survey (verbal) – Erin Toop, City of Edmonton

6. HOV/Transit Priority Study
   6.1 Board meeting follow up (Deferred from Dec 15/16) – Neal Sarnecki, Project Manager

   Recommended Motion: That the Transit Committee recommend the Capital Region Board endorse the Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Transit Priority Study Report and support Strathcona County and Edmonton to develop a Baseline Road HOV/TPM Pilot Study as Phase 2 of the HOV/TPM Study.

7. Transit Governance
   7.1 Joint Edmonton/St. Albert Transit Discussions (verbal) – Kevin Bamber, City of St. Albert

8. 2017/18 CRB Budget & Committee Schedule
   8.1 CRB Budget/Transit Work Plan – Malcolm Bruce, CEO
   8.2 2017 Transit Committee Meeting Schedule – Malcolm Bruce, CEO

9. CRB/Alberta Transportation Partnership re: Future of Transportation Video

10. Adjournment
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Members:
Wes Brodhead, *City of St. Albert* (Chair)
Dave Anderson, *Strathcona County*
Susan Evans, *Sturgeon County*
Gale Katchur, *City of Fort Saskatchewan*
Michael Walters, *City of Edmonton*
Dana Smith, *City of Leduc*
Ed McLean, *City of Spruce Grove*

Guests:
Kevin Bamber, *St. Albert Transit*
Amanda Bayley, *Alberta Transportation*
Brian Botterill, *Strathcona County*
Ferd Caron, *Sturgeon County*
Wade Coombs, *Strathcona County*
Gibby Davis, *City of Edmonton*
Bonnie Dobbs, *University of Alberta*
Jim Farrell, *Public (Leduc County)*
Erin Felker, *Parkland County*
Patrick Inglis, *City of Spruce Grove*
Sarah Korpan, *Alberta Transportation*
Marc Lachance, *Edmonton ETS*
Marnie Lee, *Strathcona County*
Kathy Lewin, *Town of Beaumont*
Pamela Steppan, *Strathcona County*
Lynette Tremblay, *City of St. Albert*
Tim Vrooman, *Town of Morinville*
Kevin Wenzel, *City of Leduc*

CRB Staff & Consultants:
Malcolm Bruce, *CEO*
Neal Sarnecki, *Project Manager*
Sharon Shuya, *Project Manager*
Stephanie Chai, *Project Manager*
Leslie Chivers, *Operations Manager*
Allyson Jacques, *Administrative Assistant*
Taylor Varro, *Municipal Planning Intern*

Provincial Liaison:
Ashley Bhatia, *Alberta Transportation*

Regrets:
CRB Staff & Consultants:
Malcolm Bruce, *CEO*
Neal Sarnecki, *Project Manager*
Sharon Shuya, *Project Manager*
Stephanie Chai, *Project Manager*
Leslie Chivers, *Operations Manager*
Allyson Jacques, *Administrative Assistant*
Taylor Varro, *Municipal Planning Intern*

1. Call to Order

Chair, Wes Brodhead called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Chair Opening Remarks
3. Approval of Agenda

**Motion:** That the Transit Committee agenda of December 15, 2016 be approved.
**Moved by:** Mayor Gale Katchur, *City of Fort Saskatchewan*
**Decision:** Carried unanimously

4. Approval of Minutes of July 28, 2016

**Motion:** That the Transit Committee minutes of July 28, 2016 be approved.
**Moved by:** Councillor Dana Smith, *City of Leduc*
**Decision:** Carried unanimously

5. Provincial Transit Strategy Re-engagement Recap

6. Project Updates

   6.1 Regional Household Travel Survey

   6.2 Specialized Transportation Needs Assessment

7. HOV/Transit Priority Study

   7.1 Board meeting follow up

   **Recommended Motion:** That the Transit Committee recommend the Capital Region Board endorse the Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Transit Priority Study Report and work with Strathcona County and Edmonton to develop a Baseline Road HOV/TPM/98th Avenue Pilot Study as Phase 2 of the HOV/TPM Study, subject to funding.

   Upon further committee discussion, Mayor Gale Katchur moved to table the above matter.

   **Motion:** That the Transit Committee table the Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Transit Priority Study Report matter until the scheduled March 16, 2017 Committee Meeting.
   **Moved by:** Mayor Gale Katchur, *City of Fort Saskatchewan*
   **Decision:** Carried unanimously
8. Transit Governance

8.1 Joint Edmonton/St. Albert Transit Discussions

Kevin Bamber, St. Albert Transit and Marc Lachance, Edmonton ETS, provided the Committee with an update on the joint Edmonton/St. Albert Transit discussions.

9. Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan

9.1 Growth Plan Implementation

Sharon Shuya, CRB Project Manager, provided the Committee with an overview on the implementation plans for the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan.

10. Transit Committee 2017/2018 Budget

Malcolm Bruce, CRB CEO, provided the Committee with an update on the budget deliberations at the Board and the implications to project funding for 2017/18.

11. January 26, 2017 Transit Committee Meeting

It was agreed by unanimous consensus that the Transit Committee meeting of January 26, 2017 be cancelled.

12. Adjournment

The chair declared the meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

Next Meeting: March 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., La Cite Francophone – Hall Jean-Louis Dentinger

Committee Chair, Councillor Wes Brodhead
Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle/Transit Priority Study – Board Follow Up

**Recommended Motion**

*That the Transit Committee recommend the Capital Region Board endorse the Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Transit Priority Study Report and support Strathcona County and Edmonton to develop a Baseline Road HOV/TPM Pilot Study as Phase 2 of the HOV/TPM Study.*

**Background**

- On September 22, 2016, the Transit Committee approved three motions:
  1. *That the Capital Region Board endorse the Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Transit Priority Study Report and support Edmonton, Leduc and Leduc County in working with the Province to develop a QE2 HOV/TPM Pilot Project;*
  2. *That the Capital Region Board direct CRB Administration in advance of Phase 2, to work with Strathcona County and Edmonton to provide a more detailed analysis of a possible HOV/TPM Pilot Project along Baseline Road; and,*
  3. *That the Transit Committee forward the Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Transit Priority Study Report to the Land Use & Planning Committee for its input.*

- On October 27, 2016 the Study was presented to the Land Use & Planning Committee. Following the presentation and discussion the Land Use & Planning Committee approved the following motions:
  1. *That the Land Use & Planning Committee ask the Capital Region Board to identify which Committee is taking the lead on the Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Transit Priority Study going forward.*
  2. *That the Land Use & Planning Committee recommend that the Province provide new funding and resources for the Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Transit Priority Study.*

After the discussion and motions on the Study the Land Use & Planning Committee received a presentation from Alberta Transportation on their QEII Corridor Study. Accordingly, the Committee was advised that the QEII study is also considering HOV as a congestion management strategy.

- On November 10, 2016, Board considered all the motions above and approved the following motion from the floor:

  *That the Capital Region Board receive the Capital Region High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV)/Transit Priority Study and postpone the matter to a future date pending motion clarification.*

- On December 15, 2016, the Transit Committee considered the subject motion, which elevated the 2nd recommendation from the Study, since Alberta Transportation is considering HOV as part of their ongoing study of QEII. The motion was deferred to the next committee meeting at the request of Strathcona County in order to provide the County with additional time to consider the implications of a HOV/TPM Pilot Study on Baseline Road.
Rationale

- The Province has recently advised the CRB that their current QEII Corridor Study is considering HOV/TPM as a congestion management strategy on the highway. Rather than duplicate the work of the Province, as proposed in the Transit Committee’s first motion above, it is recommended that the second motion, directing CRB Administration to work with Strathcona County and Edmonton to provide a more detailed analysis of a possible HOV/TPM Pilot Project along Baseline Road, be elevated as a priority, and forwarded to the Board for approval.
## 2017/18 Transit Workplan

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<td>TC-2017/18-1</td>
<td>Regional Transit Governance</td>
<td>Building on the 2014 Transit Governance Report and outcome of the Edmonton/St. Albert integrated transit study, review the options for implementing a regional intermunicipal commuter transit system.</td>
<td>2018/19</td>
<td>On going implementation of the Intermunicipal Transit Plan and IRTMP.</td>
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<td>TC-2017/18-2</td>
<td>Regional Congestion Management Strategy (HOV) – Phase 2</td>
<td>Following on the results of the 2016 HOV/TPM Study, review the next step in moving forward with HOV/TPM in the Region, including selecting a corridor for a pilot study.</td>
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<td>On going implementation of Intermunicipal Transit Plan as per Board Mandate.</td>
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<td>TC-2017/18-3</td>
<td>Specialized Transit Cost Benefit Analysis</td>
<td>Following completion of the needs assessments throughout the region, this study will provide the Board with an understanding of the costs and benefits of providing specialized transit to meet the needs of the Region.</td>
<td>2018/19</td>
<td>Ongoing implementation of Intermunicipal Transit Plan as per Board Mandate.</td>
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**Total:** $350,000
**Criteria for cancellation of a meeting: No fiduciary decision, no needed Board decision, no time sensitive issues.**

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                          |                    | 2. 2017 Committee Schedule   |
|           | May 25, 2017       | 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. |                                                       |
|           | July 27, 2017      | 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. |                                                       |
|           | September 28, 2017 | 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. |                                                       |
|           | November 30, 2017  | 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. | 1. Selection of Committee Chair  
                          |                    | 2. Budget/Workplan Review and Recommendation  
                          |                    | 3. TOR Review and Recommendation |