# Colwood

# **Transportation & Infrastructure Committee**

# **Terms of Reference**

The Active Transportation and Infrastructure Committee (the Committee) members are appointed by Council to contribute to and inform Council decision making.

#### 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Committee is to facilitate greater collaboration and exchange of ideas between Council and the public and to provide advice and recommendations related to active transportation and infrastructure. Infrastructure is any asset of the city and includes natural assets, road infrastructure, land, park structures and trails, sewer infrastructure, drainage infrastructure, vehicles and equipment and buildings. Active Transportation is any form of human-power transportation including walking, cycling, public transit, ridesharing, rollerblading, skateboarding, electric mobility devices including wheelchairs and mobility scooters.

While not an exhaustive list, the Committee shall provide advice and make recommendations to Council on the following:

- Support and maintain the vision of the Transportation Master Plan;
- Increase awareness of active transportation through promotion, education and community outreach;
- Raise awareness of active transportation as a healthy and environmentally sustainable activity;
- Transportation Network Improvement Projects related to schools, neighbourhood centres, network connectivity, and commuter and recreation transportation;
- The Sewer Master Plan;
- The Stormwater Master Plan;
- The Sustainable Infrastructure Replacement Plan;
- Support strategic directions and action for the following:
  - Network of vibrant centres
  - o Livable neighbourhoods and walkable community
  - Comfortable cycling facilities
  - Convenient and attract transit
  - Complete streets

# 2. AUTHORITY

The Committee's function is advisory to Council. Their role is to review, comment, and make recommendations to Council on issues referred to the Committee by Council. The Committee has no continuing advocacy role concerning their findings and recommendations.

Any initiatives proposed by the Committee that have resource or financial implications, including staff time, require Council approval.

# 3. MEMBERSHIP AND QUORUM

- a) The Committee shall be comprised:
  - Ten (10) community members;
  - Two (2) members of Council to serve as Co-Chairs, alternating chairing the meetings.
  - One (1) member of Council to serve as alternate.
- b) Quorum is a majority of the current committee membership which must include at least one of the appointed Council members.

- c) To contribute effectively to the accomplishment of the Committee's objectives, members are preferred to possess skills, knowledge, experience, and interest in active transportation, including:
  - An ability to represent a broad range of perspectives that reflect the diversity of the community;
  - An ability to contribute to meeting discussions in a positive, fair and unbiased manner;
  - Good knowledge and understanding of infrastructure standards and approaches;
  - Good knowledge of the community and its social, economic and environmental drivers;
  - Current involvement, academic credentials or experience in service provision or policy and/or development in Active Transportation and Infrastructure Development.
- d) Preference will be given to applicants that have experience or meet the criteria in the following areas:
  - Member of a parent advisory group with experience in safe routes to school planning;
  - Expertise in Asset Management
  - Transit experience
  - Cycling Advocacy group
  - Expertise in accessibility of people with disabilities
  - Environmental expertise
  - Student or youth member aged 16 to 24
  - Seniors aged 65+

#### 4. TERM

Members of the Infrastructure Committee shall be appointed for a four (4) year term to expire November 1, 2026.

### 5. RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

- a) Designated staff liaison and resources (non-voting members) shall include:
  - Senior Member of Engineering Department (1)
  - Senior Member of the Public Works Department (1)
  - Senior Member of the Planning Department(1)
  - Senior Member of Finance Department (1)
  - Corporate Services Recording Secretary (1)

# 6. MEETING SCHEDULE

- a) The Committee shall meet four (4) times a year at 6:30 PM on the Third Monday of February, April, June, and October.
- b) All meetings shall take place at Colwood City Hall, 3300 Wishart Road, or at other locations specified in the "Notice of Meeting" and livestreamed to the city's website.

# 7. AMENDING, MODIFYING OR VARYING TERMS OF REFERENCE

Any request for amendment, modification or variation to these TOR can be requested via the staff liaison to Council. In the event Council endorses the requested change(s), the relevant resolution number and date of amendment will be recorded on the master TOR document.

ACTION	DATE	REFERENCE	
Adopted	01-May-2025		