



INFRASTRUCTURE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

March 2, 2021

9:15 AM

VIRTUAL MEETING

ATTENDEES

D. Bressey, C. Thiessen, C. Blackburn, Mayor J. Clayton

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DELEGATIONS

2.1. Grande Prairie Chamber of Commerce

3. REPORTS

3.1. Downtown Rehabilitation Phase 4 Update

Monty Haughian

3.2. Director's Service Area Report

Brian Glavin

3.3. Active Transportation Network

Matt Hinton

4. CORRESPONDENCE

5. OTHER BUSINESS

6. BYLAW & POLICY REVIEW

7. OUTSTANDING ITEMS LIST

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Date of Appearance

March 1 2021

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Topic of Discussion

Please describe in 3 sentences or less:

To provide an update on the Get In the Loop Program as per Council's request.

What change would you like to see as a result of this meeting?

Please attach any supporting documents/photos upon submitting your completed form.

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Other departments required to be in attendance?	
Notification to Director of Service Area?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No In Camera? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

TO: Horacio Galanti, City Manager	DATE: March 2, 2021
FROM: Mathew Hinton, Capital Planning and Construction Manager	MEETING: Infrastructure & Economic Development Committee
SUBJECT: Active Transportation Network	

RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee receive this report for information.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL / COMMITTEE DIRECTIONS

At the September 29, 2020 Infrastructure & Economic Development committee meeting, the following request was made:

Committee direct Administration to bring back a report outlining the capital funding contributions needed to, by 2025, close all Active Transportation Network Gaps on City owned land as identified in the Transportation Master Plan.

BACKGROUND

The current [Transportation Master Plan](#) (TMP) was completed in April of 2020. The TMP is a strategic planning tool that helps City Administration identify infrastructure needs. It is a high-level document used to direct more detailed analysis.

Module 6 of the TMP looks at Active Transportation.

ANALYSIS

Module 6, Section 3 on page 111 from the TMP, identifies various gaps and opportunities in the network. It reflects locations identified through the stakeholder process and by the consultant while completing the TMP.

Schedule A attached to this report is the TMP list with further analysis. A high-level cost estimate has been completed for gaps located on City land to establish contribution needed by 2025 to close those gaps.

Infrastructure:

- Ensure existing and new infrastructure meets the future needs of the community.
- Collaboratively invests in building and improving a well-designed, well-maintained system of safe, reliable transportation infrastructure including roads, traffic signals, sidewalks, bridges and street lighting.

Environmental Impact

No negative environmental impacts are anticipated.

Economic Impact

No economic impacts are anticipated.

Social Impact

Improving the Active Transportation Network will improve pedestrian ability to find a safe route to walk, bike, etc.

Relevant Statutes / Master Plans / City Documents

Grande Prairie Transportation Master Plan

Risk

The TMP list is not comprehensive and gaps in the active transportation system may be overlooked. As growth occurs new gaps are potentially created.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Stakeholder engagement was completed as part of the TMP. Once projects move forward notification to the public takes place prior to construction.

BUDGET / FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

In order to construct the necessary infrastructure to “close all Active Transportation Network Gaps on City-owned land as identified in the Transportation Master Plan by 2025”, the City will have to budget an additional \$7.2M.

Location	Stretch of Roadway	Required
East side of O'Brien Lake	145 m across Obrien lake	\$900,000
68 Avenue	108 Street to 116 Street	\$1,000,000
116 Street	77 Avenue to 68 Avenue	\$530,000
132 Avenue	100 Street to 88 Street	\$1,560,000
100 Avenue	116 Street to Airport	\$1,000,000
84 Avenue	92 Street to 87A Street	\$530,000
Scenic Ridge/Crystal Ridge Neighbourhoods	Various areas in the neighbourhoods	\$1,680,000
Total costs		\$7,200,000

Note: the following locations are currently funded to be completed in 2021 and 2022,
 68 Ave from 88 A street to approx. 84 Street
 108 Street from 100 Avenue to 107 Avenue
 116 Ave from 92 Street to approx. 90 Street
 Hillside Neighbourhood various location

The current capital budget allocated for these projects is \$1,240,000.

In previous years the following amounts were spent on new sidewalks and pathways in the road rehab, sidewalk rehab and the new sidewalk and pathways programs

Year	Amount spent on new sidewalks and pathways
2016	\$920,000
2017	\$437,730
2018	\$509,921
2019	\$295,512
2020	\$503,449
Total \$ spent	\$2,670,000

SUMMARY / CONCLUSION

The Transportation Master plan has identified improvements to the pedestrian network. These opportunities are taken into consideration when planning and working on Capital projects throughout the City. Several sites are planned to be completed in 2021, 2022 and future years as part of ongoing capital projects. Upgrades to the Active transportation network will improve the ability for pedestrians to get to various locations throughout the City.

ATTACHMENTS

Schedule A – Transportation Master Plan List

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Multi-Use Trails

North end of Bear Creek and neighbourhood connections

- Most of this area has not been developed and is therefore not City owned land. Budget has been allocated for a pedestrian bridge and pathway connecting Maskwoteh Park to the new hospital site in 2021.

Around O'Brien Lake perimeter and a crossing to eliminate highway use

- There is a trail that goes around the lake with a gap adjacent to 108 Street (HWY 40). A connection has been designed based on a raised board walk across the end of the lake, however, budget has not been allocated to this project. There are sidewalks within the neighbourhood that link to 68 Avenue.

68 Avenue – Resources Road to Range Road 55

- There is a pathway along the south side of 68 Avenue between Resources Road and 88A Street. As part of the 2021 allocated budget, a pathway is proposed along the north side of the road between 88A and 86 Street, if budget permits to 84 Street (RR55).

68 Avenue – 116 Street to 108 Street

- There is currently no trail along this stretch of road, however, there are sidewalk connections within the O'Brian and Pinnacle neighbourhoods. Any pathways built along this stretch will be challenging and likely have to be rebuilt once the road is twinned. Road widening is required along sections.

98 Street – 108 Avenue to 100 Avenue

- There are sidewalks along both sides of 98 Street between 100 Avenue and 105 Avenue. The City does not own land between 105 and 108 Avenue for a pathway.

116 Street alignment / crossings

- There are pathways on one side with crossings at intersections along developed areas of 116 Street.

100 Street – Downtown to Clairmont (north) and 68 Avenue (south)

- To complete connection collaboration between the City, County and Province is required. This work extends outside of city limits

116 Street – South of 77 Avenue to O'Brien Lake

- A sidewalk parallel to 116 Street exists within Pinnacle south of 77 Ave. There is currently not enough City owned land for a pathway south of 68 Avenue.

108 Street – 100 Avenue to 100 Street (Old HWY 43 bypass)

- Budget has been allocated for a pedestrian bridge and pathway connecting Maskwoteh Park to the new hospital site in 2021. The gap along the west side of 108 Street between 100 Avenue and 107 Avenue is being considered for construction in 2022. There is a pathway along the south side of 116 Avenue between 106 Street and 100 Street.

132 Avenue – 100 Street to 88 Street

- Any pathways built along this stretch will be challenging and likely have to be rebuilt once the road is twinned. Road widening is required along sections.

100 Avenue to 68 Avenue via Park Road and 92 Street

- There is currently a trail along the west side of 92 Street between 100 Avenue and 68 Avenue. As part of the Smith subdivision capital project a 2.0 m wide sidewalk is going to be constructed along the east side of Park Road between 100 Avenue and 92 Avenue, and along the north side of 92 Avenue between Park Road and 92 Street.

100 Avenue – 116 Street to Airport

- A pathway can be constructed along the north side of the road while maintaining consideration for the drainage in the ditch. The pathway will need to be continued into the airport property and connected to existing pedestrian infrastructure.

84 Avenue – 92 Street to 87A Street

- With the current rural road cross section, it will be challenging to build a pathway. A temporary pathway and storm system could potentially be an option.

Dedicated bike route (west to east) through the downtown

- Limits of City owned land limits options

Connection to the Dunes and Wapiti Nordic Centre

- To complete this connection collaboration between the City, County and Province is required. This work extends outside of city limits.

NeighbourhoodsHillside

- There is allocated budget to fill the network gaps in this neighbourhood.

Mountview

- This neighbourhood's missing links could be best constructed when the work is done as part of the Road Rehabilitation Program. The road widths and right-of-way restrictions will have to be looked at in order to construct new sidewalks.

- There are areas in these neighbourhoods that were developed without sidewalks or pathways. In a few areas there are difficulties with right-of-way widths and boulevard grades. Areas that can accommodate a trail or sidewalk can be added to a program.

Key Destination Links

- College Area – Connections to surrounding commercial areas
- Downtown
- Commercial Areas (e.g. 116 Street / 100 Avenue; 100 Street / 132 Avenue to Downtown
- Hospital Area (98 Street)
- Industrial Area (Richmond)

INFRASTRUCTURE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - OUTSTANDING ITEMS LIST - MARCH 2, 2021

ID	Title	Requested on	People Responsible	Item Notes	Expected Report Date
1135	BILD Grande Prairie	1/25/2021	Rory Tarant	Council refer the letter from BILD to the appropriate Standing Committee for further discussion and direct Administration to bring forward recommendations on how to address the delegation's request (temporary pause to the residential water and wastewater infrastructure charge; and consideration of the implementing a future sliding scale for Aquatera's infrastructure charge).	3/16/2021
1136	Bike Skills Park	1/25/2021	Robert Carroll	Council direct Administration bring a report to the appropriate Standing Committee detailing an enhanced landscaping plan for the Bike Skills Park along Lakeland Drive in Crystal Park, including potential additional budget considerations and a detailed budget plan for an enhanced landscaping plan.	3/30/2021
1137	Parkland Bylaw C-1310 Amendments	2/2/2021	Robert Carroll	Committee direct Administration to bring the Parkland Bylaw C-1310 for review for potential changes: 1. General Prohibitions, Point 20 Sections d and f; 2. Point 25 under Disturbance; and 3. Point 33 regarding skating on ice in a parkland.	3/16/2021
1121	Get In The Loop Program Update	10/13/2020	Rebecca Leigh	Committee direct Administration to request details from the Chamber of Commerce on the implementation of the "Get In The Loop" program and report back to Committee by March 1, 2021.	3/2/2021
1114	Active Transportation Network Gaps	9/29/2020	Matt Hinton	Committee direct Administration to bring back a report outlining capital funding contributions needed to, by 2025, close all Active Transportation Network Gaps on City-owned land as identified in the Transportation Master Plan.	3/2/2021
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