



*Bridging the Past, Present and Future*

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## Welland Active Transportation Advisory Committee

### -Agenda-

September 24, 2018 6:30 – 8:00 PM

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**One proposed definition for walkability is:** "The extent to which the built environment is friendly to the presence of people living, shopping, visiting, enjoying or spending time in an area".<sup>[3]</sup> Factors affecting walkability include, but are not limited to:

- Street connectivity
- Land use mix
- Residential density (residential units per area of residential use)
- Presence of trees and vegetation
- Frequency and variety of buildings
- Entrances and other sensations along street frontages
- Transparency, which includes amount of glass in windows and doors, orientation and proximity of homes, and buildings to watch over the street
- Plenty of places to go to near the majority of homes
- Placemaking, such as street designs that work for people, not just cars

Major infrastructural factors include access to mass transit, presence and quality of footpaths, buffers to moving traffic (planter strips, on-street parking or bike lanes) and pedestrian crossings, aesthetics, nearby local destinations, air quality, shade or sun in appropriate seasons, street furniture, traffic volume and speed.<sup>[1][5]</sup> and wind conditions.

Walkability is also examined based on the surrounding built environment. Reid Ewing and Robert Cervero's five D's of the built environment—density, diversity, design, destination accessibility, and distance to transit—heavily influence an area's walkability.<sup>[6]</sup> Combinations of these factors influence an individual's decision to walk.<sup>[7]</sup>

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**Welcome, Guest Introduction and Self Introductions**

**1. Minutes (August 13, 2018) as circulated – (Minutes Not Available?)(**

**2. Motion to Adopt Minutes of August 13, 2018 – (See above!)**

**3. Additions to the Agenda, Declaration of Conflicts of Interest?**

**4. Business arising from the Minutes**

- Report from Slow-Roll Sub-Committee -, Assunta Piccini, Ed van Vliet
- Bike Valet Sub-Committee Report (Feast Street 2018) – Ed van Vliet
- Strategic Planning (Walk Friendly Application) – Harry Sawchuk
- City Sidewalk Unevenness issue for people on Scooters Update\_- Mark Carl - (No Report)
- City Snow Removal Policies\_- Mark Carl – No Report
- Welland Vista Park – Harry Sawchuk - No Reponse
- Ontario Active School Travel Update\_- Harry Sawchuk
- Venture Niagara Bicycle Audit Update – Krista Bowie
- WATAC Banner display locations – Harry Sawchuk/ Krista Bowie
- Trails and Links Priorities – Harry Sawchuk
- Jane’s Walk 2019 - Harry Sawchuk
- Welland Active School Travel Steering Committee – Harry Sawchuk
- Bike Friendly Business Decals - Harry Sawchuk
- Report to City Council – Harry Sawchuk
- Sidewalk Decals – Harry Sawchuk
- Wellness Guide - Krista Bowie

**5. Correspondence – (See Appendix “A”) - Harry Sawchuk**

## **6. New Business**

- Smart Centre Pedestrian/Bike path to Walmart– Harry Sawchuk
- Woodlawn/ Daimler sidewalk weeds- Harry Sawchuk
- Boat/Watercraft Rental Stats- Harry Sawchuk
- Ontario STP Summit (Toronto) – Harry Sawchuk
- Items Tabled for 2019 – Harry Sawchuk
  - Community Walkabout (aka, Jane’s Walk)
  - Bike to Work/School Week
  - City Signage (Bike Friendly, Walk Friendly)
  - Slow Roll II
  - Bike Repair Stations
  - Welland Neighbourhood Associations
  - “Walktober” Proclamation
  - Explore “ Bike Share” with DWBIA

**This will be the final meeting of WATAC until after the October Election, at which time. the “new” Council will determine whether or not to re-instate WATAC.**

**As Chair, I THANK each and every one of you for your time, interest and support of what we are trying to do! I believe that we, each in our way, have made a contribution to the betterment of our Community by promoting healthy active living through Active Transportation for citizen’s of all ages and abilities.**

## **7. Adjournment**