

A G E N D A

ADVISORY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

April 16, 2014 at 10:00 am
at City Hall in the Committee Room

PRESENT: _____

A. **DELEGATIONS**

B. **REVIEW PREVIOUS MINUTES**

C. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **Crash Data information from ICBC.** (City Engineer to request crash data for the intersection of Johnston Rd and Broughton St.)

D **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Request by Stacey Gaiga for a stop sign on the northeast corner of the intersection of Stirling St and 2nd Ave.** (See attached email.)

2. **Request by James King to paint white-line crosswalks at the following intersections: Johnston Rd and Bishop Ave, Johnston Rd and Merrifield Rd and Johnston Rd and Muir Rd. He has also requested the repainting of all faded crosswalks in the Johnston Road, 10th Avenue and 3rd Avenue areas.**
(See attached email.)
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DISCUSSION

SCHEDULE OF MEETING DATES FOR 2014:

July 16, 2014
October 15, 2014

DISTRIBUTION

Councillor Hira Chopra
Councillor Jack McLeman (alternate)
Ken Watson - City Manager
Davina Hartwell - City Clerk
Guy Cicon - City Engineer
Wilf Taekema, Streets Superintendent
Scott Smith, Planner
Tim Hautzinger, Bylaw Enforcement Officer
Scott Kenny, Director of Parks and Recreation
Sgt. Dave Paddock – R.C.M.P.
Deputy Fire Chief Chris Jancowski - Fire Department
Pat Dahlquist, Trustee, SD 70, email agenda to wdahlqui@shaw.ca
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Bill Brown – cyclist, email agenda to billbrown@shaw.ca
Kevin Head – cyclist, email agenda to kevin.head@gmail.com

Veronica Irg

From: Guy Cicon
Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2014 8:46 AM
To: 'staceygaiga@shaw.ca'
Cc: Scott Smith; Randy Fraser; Veronica Irg
Subject: RE: New Stop Sign Proposal

Guy Cicon, P.Eng,
City Engineer
City of Port Alberni
250 720-2838

From: Scott Smith
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2014 7:50 AM
To: Guy Cicon; Randy Fraser
Cc: Ken Watson
Subject: FW: New Stop Sign Proposal

Hi Stacey,

We took a quick peak at it and determined that it is a matter for the Advisory Traffic Committee.
We will forward it on your behalf.

Regards,

Guy

Veronica – Please add to next agenda

Hi Guy

Can you please respond to Stacey request for a stop sign.

Thanks

Scott Smith

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From: Stacey Gaiga [mailto:staceygaiga@shaw.ca]
Sent: Monday, January 20, 2014 5:25 PM
To: Scott Smith
Cc: franco@francoaero.com
Subject: New Stop Sign Proposal

Hi Scott,

Thanks so much for returning my call today.

We are interested in knowing what the procedure is to propose the installation of a new stop sign in our neighbourhood.

We live at the intersection of 2nd and Sterling on the SW corner directly across from Ty Watson Hospice and we often see people driving very fast through the intersection, heading west/downhill on Sterling toward 1st Avenue.

It is a very steep incline and almost impossible to see anyone driving up the hill or walking across the street until the vehicle you're in is the middle of the intersection or already on the downward slope.

RCMP Officer Andy Bezanson experienced this steep part of the street on Stirling that starts at the intersection of 2nd Avenue. He was not familiar with the street and basically lost control in the snow and had to drive up on the boulevard of our backyard and smash the RCMP truck he was driving into my neighbours car to avoid sliding all the way down the hill. [He was unsure if Stirling Street that ends at 1st Avenue had a cliff on the opposite side of 1st beyond the trees].

Our concern is that we see people, mostly younger drivers, speeding through the intersection without slowing to see if children or vehicles could be obstructing their right of way, to avoid a collision.

Our proposal is to have a stop sign installed on the North East Corner of the intersection to help prevent potential safety issues/collisions. We often pull out of our driveway on Stirling hoping someone doesn't come barrelling down the hill without slowing for a visual first.

If vehicles were to stop at the intersection, that already has two stop signs North and Southbound on 2nd Avenue, once the vehicle starts to accelerate after the stop sign, the speed will be minimal and the drivers will be able to see if anything is obstructing the road in time to stop if there is a need to.

This would make the intersection a 3 way stop. It would not be advisable to make it a 4 way stop due to the incline of Stirling Street before 2nd Avenue heading east.

I look forward to hearing from you on what the procedure is to see if this is possible, or if anyone there agrees with this idea.

Thanks Scott,



Veronica Irg

From: Guy Cicon
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2014 5:46 PM
To: Veronica Irg
Subject: FW: Request for crosswalks and improvements for pedestrian crosswalks.

Please forward to next ATC.

Thanks,
Guy

Guy Cicon, P.Eng,
City Engineer
City of Port Alberni
250 720-2838

From: John Douglas
Sent: Thursday, February 20, 2014 9:26 AM
To: Davina Hartwell
Cc: Guy Cicon
Subject: Fw: Request for crosswalks and improvements for pedestrian crosswalks.

John Douglas
Mayor , City of Port Alberni

City of the Century

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From: James <jamesdking2010@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 20, 2014 7:00 AM
To: John Douglas
Subject: Request for crosswalks and improvements for pedestrian crosswalks.

Attn: Mayor of the City of Port Alberni: John Douglas.

Mayor Douglas:

Greetings.

The area in Port Alberni between Johnston / Helen to Johnston / Broughton has probably the greatest vehicle volume of traffic in the City of Port Alberni.

Because of this, and for the safety of pedestrians walking between these street intersections, please order the construction of painted white-lined cross walks in between these street intersections and in particular for the following locations: Johnston / Bishop, Johnston / Merrifield, Johnston / Muir.

It is also recommended that a crosswalk be established on 10th Avenue to allow pedestrian travel from the Safeway to Fairway supermarkets and the repainting as required of all faded crosswalks in the Johnston Rd, 10th Avenue and 3rd Avenue areas.

Please also take action against jaywalkers (those who walk or cross a street illegally by disobeying traffic rules and signals, at the wrong places by failing to use the legal crosswalk) as this is potentially hazardous to both pedestrians and motorists and it is noted that fines have been issued in other British Columbia municipalities for this infraction. Thank you for your efforts to improve safety in Port Alberni.

Port Alberni resident,

James King

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